

**MINUTES  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
PAWLEYS ISLAND TOWN COUNCIL**

DATE/PLACE: December 22, 2016  
Pawleys Island Chapel

PRESENT: Mayor Bill Otis, Mike Adams, Ashley Carter & Rocky Holliday

ABSENT: Sarah Zimmerman

PUBLIC HEARING 2017 BUDGET

No comments were made. Mayor Otis closed the Public Hearing.

DISCUSSION AND SECOND READING, 2017 BUDGET

Ryan Fabbri stated that there were two changes to the 2017 budget – One being the storm drainage for \$11,500 to do the storm drain mapping. Another item that was omitted were the GPS monitoring mechanism that will be installed in each police vehicle purchased through Verizon. These trackers will be able to let us know exactly where each police vehicle is at any time that will be about \$100 per month to Verizon. Ryan Fabbri will report to council at the next council meeting or at the very latest by the February meeting re-evaluating the police coverage. **Rocky Holliday made a motion to approve the 2017 budget. Mike Adams seconded. All in favor.**

Mayor Otis stated that next 2 items on the agenda, resolution to submit an application to SCPRT for beach restoration funds and the resolution to approve the Mayor and Town Administrator to sign a credit application to South State Banking the amount of 1,500,000 will not be discussed because there have been continuing discussions with OCRM and the engineers. Ryan Fabbri stated our engineer tried to submit our permit applications to OCRM and their response was that there was a preset meeting date for January 12<sup>th</sup> including all the agencies that would be involved in authorizing the permit where they review any questions and/or issues they may have. If we submit our permit request before the meeting, it would be harder to go back and make any changes. If we wait until a day after their meeting our engineers can incorporate any feedback they get from the meeting into the permit application. We plan to submit our permit application on January 13<sup>th</sup> along with the PRT application on the same day. Part of that process is to provide some assurance to PRT that we will be able to cover any shortfall of the final estimated cost of the project.

EMPLOYEE 2016 CHRISTMAS BONUS DECISION REVIEW AND AMENDMENT

Mayor Otis stated that the numbers he had were not correct when Council reviewed the Christmas bonus, and the Council action caused some concern among our staff in that some employees would get less than they received in prior years for a Christmas bonus. We need to come up with new approach and put in some actual numbers and make sure it works. Rocky Holliday stated that council's intention was to recognize our employees with a bit more of a Christmas bonus this year, so he believes that if we go back to what was done last year it would not be a positive boost to moral. He recommended that we go back to what was done last year of \$300 and just bump it up a little bit such as \$50 for a net or \$350 all full-time and the part-time people would get \$160 and James Snow would get \$350. Next year we could work on a new process for Christmas bonuses if we wished.

BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR CHRISTMAS AND STORM BONUS

Ryan Fabbri stated that we really don't have to do budget amendments for the Christmas and Storm bonuses because we are not even close to exceeding our bottom line budget numbers. We had a lot of overtime during and after the Hurricane, but are only over by \$2,000 in the police department. In administration, we are over budget due to the storm bonus and the budget was never amended for the raise Ryan received in September. Council agreed not amend the 2016 budget in the payroll line items.

Meeting adjourned.

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