

**MINUTES  
PAWLEYS ISLAND COUNCIL MEETING**

DATE/PLACE: July 09, 2018  
Pawleys Island Chapel

PRESENT: Mayor Jimmy Braswell, Ashley Carter, Rocky Holliday, Guerry Green & Sarah Zimmerman

ABSENT: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Town Council will convene at 4:30 PM on Monday, July 9, 2018 pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Section 30-4-70(a)(1) to discuss employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline or release of an employee and 30-4-70(a)(1) to discuss Town Administrator employment agreement.

**Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to step down into Executive Session. Ashley Carter seconded. All in favor. Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to step down out of Executive Session. Ashley Carter seconded. All in favor.** Mayor Braswell stated that no decisions were made.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Leda Hall appealed to the Council and Mayor to use respectful words and body language in dealing with others who come forward to meetings and hearing. Ms. Hall stated that the issue of dogs off their leashes is worse this year than in previous years. She requested that the police department issue tickets instead of warnings as this would change this behavior quicker than just issuing a warning. She then stated that in speaking recently to neighbors that they do not understand the extent and cost of the beach renourishment project. There information on the website and there have been 2 meetings for people to discussions but they are still not clear about how much this is going to cost and where the money will be coming from. A survey was recently sent out and people were asked if they were in favor of an assessment but there was no dollar amount and no funding goal listed and it stated that all the money would go toward beach renourishment. She felt that the information was clear enough to inform the property owners of the some of the details of this project. She suggested that we should acquire public parking areas in the middle of the island or if that was not favorable then possibly the people in the middle of the island should pay a higher assessment than in other areas that do have public parking. It has taken us approximately 20 years to save up accommodation tax money received from rentals on the island to fund the renourishment project, but we still need to borrow money to pay for this project. The assessment should include both beach and creek projects but be clear what the dollar is.

APPROVAL OF THE 6/11/18 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES & THE 6/28/18 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

**Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve the 6/11/18 regular meeting minutes. Ashley Carter seconded. All in favor. Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve the 6/28/18 special meeting minutes. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.**

VOTE TO APPROVE AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH TOWN ADMINISTOR

Mayor Braswell removed this item from the agenda for a period of time. **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to remove this item from the agenda. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.**

THE U.S. ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS ANNOUNCES THAT PAWLEYS ISLAND AUTHORIZED STORM DAMAGE REDUCTION PROJECT HAS RECEIVED \$9,230,000 IN FY18 FEDERAL CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS.

Mayor Braswell stated that this project was designed about 14 years ago and now the Federal government is going to fund it. This project would run from the south end to just north of Hazard Street and it would put more sand on the beach in that area than if we did the entire project. We are now in the process of getting an extension of time to we can get more information, so we can then give the low bidder, Marinex, an answer by the 16<sup>th</sup> of July as to whether they will do the job or not. If the Corps does the project the cost would be approximately 60% the Corp would pay and 40% the Town would pay and 20% of that could come from Parks and Recreation. Then the 20% we would pay would come from a 30-year federal loan at a very low interest rate. If we had a storm and we can prove to the Corps that we lost sand in the renourished area they would repair and replace that sand. If we have the Corps do this project the Town could then renourish the remaining beach on the island. Steve Tranum from Coastal Science Engineering stated that if we continued with their original numbers and to go with Marinex doing the work, the amount of sand being put on the beach is very similar to the Corps figures and that he was not sure how long PRT would pay 50% in the areas of public access but was not sure now long that money would be available. The Corps will have to do another study to recalculate the cost benefit ratio and redesign their fill volume that could take up to 6 months. Steve was not sure if the Corps would use CSE's data, but it would be available to them. The Corps would have to rebid the project. To have the Corps do the project, it would be delayed about 1 year to start in the Fall 2019. Ryan Fabbri will talk to Marinex to find out what their "Drop Dead" date would be, and meanwhile further discussions will be made to get answers to all the different options there could be to make the right decision as to which path to take to get this project underway. Guerry Green suggested that the Beach Committee reconvene to review the options and come back to Council with a recommendation. Rocky Holliday recommended that he meet with Ryan Fabbri and Steve Tranum to discuss the options before he calls the Beach Committee together to see if they could put together a good plan.

BEACH RENOURISHMENT PROJECT REPORT (RYAN FABBRI)

- a. Project Survey Results – Ryan stated that 400 e-mails were sent out and 150 were sent through regular mail. Out all 550 surveys that were sent, we had 150 responses; 81% are in favor of the renourishment and 63% approved of an assessment or some form of revenue to fund this or future projects. There were a few that wanted more details.
- b. Consideration of an award of a contract to Marinex Construction, Inc. for dredging and placement of sand required to complete nourishment project – Marinex would be open to give us a little bit more time past the drop-dead date of July 16<sup>th</sup> to give them an answer with our decision as to whether we go with them or the Corps or if we want to change the project.
- c. Approve payment of \$45,756.21 to Coastal Science & Engineering – **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve payment to Coastal Science & Engineering of \$45,756.21. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.**

## NEW TOWN HALL REPORT – RYAN FABBRI

- a. Approve Payment of \$18,864.00 to Brickmasters – This is the company who engraved the bricks for the new Town Hall. **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve payment to Brickmasters of \$18,864.00. Ashley Carter seconded. All in favor.**
- b. Approve payment of \$150,549.22 to BEC Construction - **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve payment of \$150,549.22 to BEC Construction. Guerry Green seconded. All in favor.**
- c. Approve Change Order of Labor to install brick pavers (\$4,868.20) - **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve payment of \$4,868.20 to install brick pavers to BEC Construction. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.**
- d. Consideration of a proposed change to the wood decking on outdoor porch to T&G Ipe or Azek – Ryan Fabbri stated that Pawleys Island Lumber didn't feel comfortable selling the tongue and groove pine wood decking that David Graham put in the plan for the new Town Hall because the quality of it is much less than what they are use to and with the humid climate we have here, these boards warp and bow up so Pawleys Island Lumber recommended that we go with one of two samples provided Council as they have lower maintenance over time. One is Azek, that is a synthetic engineered product and the other is Ipe which is a Brazilian hardwood; both withstands our climate well. The increase in cost is mostly due to the labor as both of these products must be drilled then screwed in. \$15,950 for the Ipe 4x6 or \$16,091 for 4x4. Guerry Green stated that he has a 2-inch, tongue and groove, kiln-dried pine decking that is called pene-treated for 20 years and never had a problem with it and got it from Dock's Industries in Orangeburg. Ryan will research this pine decking.

## POLICE REPORT

Chief Fanning reviewed the June 2018 police report. (See Attached)

## BUILDING REPORT

Ryan Fabbri stated that a lot of people are waiting to the last minute to change their meters to underground.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Ryan Fabbri stated that a-tax is higher this year than this time last year by 10%. Interest on the beach fund is higher than we anticipated by 40%. The MASC is 6% higher than what we had last year. Our expenditures are lower than what we had budgeted.

## ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

- a. Underground Wire Report Status – Ryan Fabbri stated that Spectrum said they will have the north end done this week but couldn't get a finish date for the south end.
- b. Kayak Race - will be on Thursday, July 19<sup>th</sup> at noon to 4:00 p.m. Looking for volunteers.
- c. Consideration of creating a new Town Logo/Seal – Ryan Fabbri stated that the Town has never had a town logo/seal and thought we could incorporate one on to the new Town Hall that is being built. Sarah Zimmerman thought the turtle was the Town logo. Ryan thought that we should have something a little more official. We could incorporate the turtle into it or shells, etc. Mayor Braswell thought it was a good idea to look at some graphic designers and get some ideas for next council meeting.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Braswell thanked everyone who participated in the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade – it was a great parade. Ashley Carter stated that one of the floats didn't complete the parade once it got to the north end stated that all floats should be committed to completing the entire parade. Chief Fanning stated that one year, one of the floats couldn't make one of the turns at the north end and held up most of the parade so it was decided that we should have a limit to the length of the floats from this point on.

**Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to adjourn. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.**

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