

**MINUTES  
PAWLEYS ISLAND COUNCIL MEETING**

DATE/PLACE: December 10, 2018  
Pawleys Island Chapel

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

ABSENT: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA

**Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to step down into executive session. Ashley Carter seconded. All in favor.**

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Mayor Jimmy Braswell stated that the discussion in executive session was to discuss compensation of the police department employees.

PUBLIC HEARING ON 2019 BUDGET

No one sign up to speak at the Public Hearing.

Ryan Fabbri reviewed the 2019 Budget:

Projected Total Revenues = \$1,596,250 & Projected Total Expenditures = \$1,625,620

Mayor Braswell closed the public hearing.

REGULAR MEETING

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Sandra Shaw stated that she has a concern regarding the changes in the leash law. She is a volunteer with SCUTE and walks the beach often. She stated that there are many responsible dog owners and there are many that are not responsible dog owners. When a dog runs up to you, large or small and unleashed, you have no idea what kind of dog they are. Her mother and others have had various surgeries and unleashed dogs present a possibility for these people to get knocked down. Dogs running after a ball or frisbee are not looking where they are running and presents strong possibility for children and the elderly to get injured. When she walks her dog it is always on a leash but when there is an unleashed dog that rushes up to her, her dog can get in a defense mode to protect her from the other dog. Also when an unleashed dog runs ahead of the owner, the owner is less likely to pick up poop because the owner can't see their dog and doesn't know where their dog defecated.

John Barton stated that he wanted to express his strong support of the change in the leash law. He very much enjoys letting his dog run and get exercise but understands that there are some issues with some dogs and their owners that are uncontrolled.

APPROVAL OF 11/12/2018 MEETING MINUTES & 11/28/2018 SPECIAL MEETING

**MINUTES: Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve the 11/12/18 and the 11/28/18 meeting minutes. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.**

RESOLUTION 2018-09 A RESOLUTION BY THE PAWLEYS ISLAND TOWN COUNCIL AWARDING ITB 2018-03 FOR THE GROIN REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE PROJECT AND TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT: Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-09 to give the Town Administrator authorization to execute the contract for the Groin Repair and Maintenance Project. Ashley Carter seconded. All in favor.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2018-13. AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT A BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF PAWLEYS ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA, BEGINNING JANUARY 01, 2019 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019: Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve second reading of ordinance 2018-13 to adopt the 2019 Town of Pawleys Island Budget. Ashley Carter seconded. All in favor.

Rocky Holliday stated that his understanding of the new budget shows that recurring expenses have increased in the last 5 years by 41% and that we must get this spending under control. Guerry Green stated that the island property owners have been very generous regarding donations for the new town hall and feels that it is because the Town has always been very responsible with their spending and going forward we need to be more responsible with our spending. Sarah Zimmerman stated that for many years in the past we had an unpaid employee, Mayor Bill Otis, doing what we now have our Town Administrator doing who is being compensated which now reflects an increase in our budget expenses.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2018-14. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE EXISTING ORDINANCE REGULATING ANIMALS, WITHIN THE TOWN OF PAWLEYS ISLAND: Ryan Fabbri stated that this ordinance allows dogs to be off leash from October 1<sup>st</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup> and during the remaining year between the hours of 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. dogs must be on a leash. Guerry Green made a motion to approve ordinance 2018-14. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor except Sarah Zimmerman who voted no. Sarah Zimmerman asked our Town Attorney what this does for liability for the Town and he stated that ultimately the liability lies with the owner of the dog. Our attorney will look into this further as the State law states that dogs must be leashed at all times.

#### ACCOMMODATIONS TAX COMMITTEE

- a. Reappoint David Teems to Accommodations Tax Committee for a Two-Year Term which will expire on December 02, 2020. Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve David Teems reappointment to the Accommodations Tax Committee for a two-year term to expire on December 02, 2020. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.
- b. Reappoint Corrine Taylor to Accommodations Tax Committee for a Two-Year Term which will expire on December 2, 2020. Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve Corrine Taylor reappointment to the Accommodations Tax Committee for a two-year term to expire on December 02, 2020. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.

#### ACCOMMODATIONS TAX COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Ryan Fabbri stated that the A-tax Committee met in November and they had 1 request from the Beautification Foundation for \$17,520.00 and the request from the Town was pushed back to Town Council stating that the recommendation was to get additional bids other than just from Waccamaw Landscaping. Council decided to waive the requirement for competitive bids and award the project to Waccamaw so the remaining balance of \$142,162.79 went to the Town. Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve the Accommodations Tax Committee recommendations for \$17,520.00 to the Pawleys Island Beautification Committee and \$142,162.79 to the Town of Pawleys Island. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.

### NEW TOWN HALL REPORT:

- a. Review Project Finances – Ryan Fabbri stated that we have received an additional donation of \$20,000.00 in December – Current total funds available \$833,776.00. Expenses consisting of current and future expenses total \$825,160.00.
- b. Approve Payment of \$38,191.79 to BEC Construction – **Rocky Holliday made a motion to approve payment of \$38,191.79 to BEC Construction. Guerry Green seconded. All in favor.**
- c. Town Hall Furniture Needs – Ryan Fabbri stated that all of our desks that was in the pod was damaged from the water from the King Tides so we will have cabinetry and counters installed that will be donated by Bob Wilkes for the police department. The only furniture that is needed is for the Chief and the Administrator which is an “L” shaped desk and a bookcase. **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve purchasing desks and shelving not to exceed \$4,000.00. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.**

APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH PARKER LAND SURVEYING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,9000 TO PERFORM WORK NECESSARY TO DEVELOP EASEMENT MAPS FOR 113 OCEANFRONT PROPERTIES LOCATED WITHIN THE FEDERAL SECTION OF THE BEACH RENOURISHMENT PROJECT: **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve the agreement from Parker Land Surveying in the amount of \$33,900.00. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.**

### POLICE REPORT

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

### BUILDING REPORT

Ryan Fabbri stated that there was only 1 permit issued for November.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

- a. Christmas Bonus Approval
  1. Full Time Employees - \$300 net. **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve Christmas Bonuses to all full-time employees and James Snow of \$300 net. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.**
  2. Part Time Employees - \$110 net. **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve Christmas Bonuses to all part-time employees of \$110 net. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.**
- b. Budget Amendments – This amendment is to reduce the groin repairs by \$230,000 as this project won't be done until 2019 and to reduce the beach renourishment by \$300,000 because that expense is far less than originally anticipated due to the participation of the Corps of Engineers. **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve the budget amendments to reduce groin repairs by \$230,000 and reduce beach renourishment by \$300,000. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.**

### ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

- a. Army Corps of Engineers Pawleys Island Storm Damage Reduction Project- Ryan Fabbri stated that he met with the Corps and will start working on the easements and estimate that they will all be completed by the end of February. It will be done in phases with the south end being first. A letter will be sent to the property owners to tell them that surveyors will be on their property and to give them an overview of what is to come.

- b. FEMA Reimbursement – Hurricane Florence – We spent approximately \$6,000 for general expenses and around \$11,000 for PD salaries. Overall our claim is for approximately \$17,000 and we should get about \$13,000 back from FEMA.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

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