

**MINUTES  
PAWLEYS ISLAND COUNCIL MEETING**

DATE/PLACE: August 12, 2019  
Pawleys Island Town Hall

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

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Robert Moser stated that the north-end jetty had a period of 2 to 3 months that had little sand on the sides of it and would have been a good time to do some repairs to it but since then there is now some sand that has accumulated on the Pawleys side of the jetty but some of the rip rap is sliding down. He has pictures showing 12 to 15 foot sections that have floated away since the last high tide. He feels that council needs to keep this jetty on their agenda as it protects some houses at the north end. He will email the pictures to council.

Bill Otis stated that council has made some great decisions regarding the beach renourishment project. He hopes that council decides to put as much sand on the beach as possible.

APPROVAL MINUTES, 7/15/19 REGULAR MEETING, 7/26/19 & 7/29/19 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES - **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve the 7/15/19 meeting minutes. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor. Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve the 7/26/19 meeting minutes. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor. Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve the 7/29/19 meeting minutes. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.**

RESOLUTION 2019-03 TO AMEND THE TOWN OF PAWLEYS ISLAND PERSONNEL POLICY

Ryan Fabbri stated that the personnel policy hadn't been updated since 2004. This includes what we already do. The only change to the policy is to increase the sick days from 7 a year to 12 which is what all government offices in the country have in their personnel policy. **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve the amendment of resolution 2019-03. Jimmy Braswell seconded. All in favor.**

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2019-05 AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE II ADMINISTRATION; SECTION 2-59 EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

Ryan Fabbri stated this is straight from the MASC standard ordinances. **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve first reading for ordinance 2019-05 regarding executive sessions. Jimmy Braswell seconded. All in favor.**

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2019-06 AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE II ADMINISTRATION; SECTION 2-62 APPEARANCE OF CITIZENS

Ryan Fabbri stated this is also straight from the MASC standard ordinances. This is pertaining to the 3 minutes of public comment that we allow in the beginning of every town council meeting however, we had nothing in ordinance form stating that so this is to put it in the books. **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve first reading for ordinance 2019-06 regarding the appearance of citizens to allow individuals to have 3 minutes of public comment at our town council meetings. Jimmy Braswell seconded. All in favor.**

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2019-07 AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE II ADMINISTRATION TO INCLUDE SECTION 2-65 ELECTRONIC COUNCIL OR COMMITTEE MEETING ATTENDANCE

Ryan Fabbri stated this is also straight from the MASC standard ordinances. He stated that there is nothing that states that we can or cannot have a council member call in and vote at committee meetings so this is just to include it in our code. As long as there is a physical quorum meeting, up to 2 members that are not able to attend the meeting can attend and vote via an electronic device. **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve first reading for ordinance 2019-07 that allows council or committee members to attend and/or vote via electronic devices. Jimmy Braswell seconded. All in favor.**

AUTHORIZE THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS PROVIDING FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO KEEP THE TOWN OF PAWLEYS ISLAND IN THE FEDERAL PROJECT SYSTEM AND ELIGIBLE FOR CREDIT FOR WORK PERFORMED PRIOR TO EXECUTION OF A PROJECT PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

Ryan Fabbri stated that by signing this MOU, we can get credit for doing the federal project on our own then if funding does become available, we could still be eligible for credit for work performed prior to the execution of a project partnership agreement. There nothing guaranteeing that this will actually happen but this MOU would at least have it available to us if the federal government did come around to providing monetary help to us. **Rocky Holliday made a motion to approve authorizing the Town Administrator to sign the MOU with the Army Corps of Engineers to keep the Town of Pawleys Island in the Federal Project System. Sarah Zimmerman seconded. All in favor.**

AUTHORIZE THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN CONTRACT WITH MARINEX CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR DREDGING AND PLACEMENT OF SAND REQUIRED TO COMPLETE BEACH RENOURISHMENT PROJECT

**Rocky Holliday made a motion to authorize the Town Administrator to sign the contract with Marinex. Ashley Carter seconded. All in favor.**

AUTHORIZE THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN AGREEMENT WITH FIRST TRYON ADVISORS TO ACT AS MUNICIPAL ADVISOR FOR THE PROPOSED ACCOMMODATIONS TAX REVENUE BOND

Ryan Fabbri stated that First Tryon Advisors has expertise in this field and has a very favorable interest rate. Haynesworth Sinkler and Boyd recommended the First Tryon Advisors for this bond. They will work in our best interest and make the best educated decisions for us. **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve the Town Administrator to sign the agreement with First Tryon Advisors to act as our municipal advisor for the a-tax revenue bond. Ashley Carter seconded. All in favor.**

AUTHORIZE THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN AGREEMENT WITH HAYNESWORTH SINKLER BOYD FOR BOND COUNSEL SERVICES FOR THE PROPOSED ACCOMMODATIONS TAX REVENUE BOND

Ryan Fabbri stated that this attorney will act as our bond counsel. We had hired him to work for us last year before we decided to go with the Army Corps. They work out of Charlotte. **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve the Town Administrator to sign the agreement with Haynesworth, Sinkler and Boyd for counsel services for the a-tax revenue bond. Ashley Carter seconded. All in favor.**

AUTHORIZE THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM FOR THE BEACH RENOURISHMENT PROJECT

Ryan Fabbri stated that PRT will give us the money up front. **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to authorize the Town Administrator to execute the grant agreement with SCPRT for the Beach Renourishment project. Ashley Carter seconded. All in favor.**

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE SIZE AND SCOPE OF RENOURISHMENT PROJECT. FOR EXAMPLE: 850K TO 1.1M CUBIC YARDS OF SAND. EXTEND NORTHERN REACH OF PROJECT TO THIRD STREET

To do the full project we would be paying everything we have that comes in. We would have approximately \$700,000 in the beach fund after 10 years. If we have a major storm, we would still be able to borrow more money. The minimum ideal base beach profile would be 700,000 cubic yards of sand good for 10 years. Anything above it is advance fill. So, doing an 850,000 cubic yard project we would have about 3 years of erosion built into the project then we'll be back to the minimum 700,000 cu.yd. ideal beach profile that will have only 7 years before you'd start to renourish again. With the 1,100,000 cubic yard project you have almost 10 years of advanced fill before you get back to the 700,000 cubic yard project. So, if you renourished in 10 years you'd be building upon an ideal profile. Doing the larger cubic yards would be more beneficial but the concern is the amount of money the town would have to borrow. Another factor is that our cost of the sand per cubic yard is extremely low. Sarah Zimmerman stated that most people have a concern of how much this project will cost them. Ryan Fabbri stated that most property owners don't like to hear the word "tax" because they think adding a tax for the Town that their property tax will somehow double or significantly increase when in reality it would probably increase by a few hundred dollars per year. Council feels that they need more time for more information before a final decision is made so a special meeting with our attorney from Haynesworth, Sinkler & Boyd is scheduled for a later date.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Fanning reviewed the July 2019 police report. (See Attached)

BUILDING REPORT

Ryan Fabbri stated that there is nothing that stands out.

FINANCIAL REPORT

A-tax is starting to catch up with the budget. We have a new form of revenue this year called the road user fee that is \$40 per vehicle so we get approximately \$20 per vehicle and will get this every year.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Everything had already been discussed.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Braswell stated that there was a Georgetown County council member who did not live where he said he lived. He would like some clarification as to what is considered a permanent residence. Sarah Zimmerman stated that she was told by someone at the Voter Registration Office that a person must live within the town limits of Pawleys Island in order to run for office. Town attorney Woody DuRant will prepare a memorandum to clarify this. It will be ready for the next council meeting.

Guerry Green stated that council needed to do an employee evaluation on the Town Administrator with an executive session on September 9, 2019 at 4:30. All agreed.

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

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