MINUTES
PAWLEYS ISLAND COUNCIL MEETING

DATE/PLACE: January 06, 2020
Pawleys Island Town Hall

PRESENT: Mayor Brian Henry, Ashley Carter, Guerry Green, Rocky Holliday & Sarah Zimmerman

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC COMMENT:
No one signed up for public comment.

REPORTS/UPDATES:
A. Beach Renourishment Project Updates – Ryan Fabbri stated that there had not been much progress since last month due to the weather, the holiday and mechanical issues. They are now moving from 4 miles to 3 miles offshore making the pumping easier and they are now at a point, starting around groin #8, where the sand that is needed becomes less as the area to cover becomes less and will continue that way as they go north on the island. So less sand to be pumped the faster the project will progress as they head north. Currently, they are about 35% complete. We are now looking at the completion date to be mid-March. The pumped sand is grainier and darker than what we had before but it will bleach out as time passes. An RP will be sent out this month and by March at the latest, we should have prices for the Sea Oats. We are getting grant money for the Sea Oats but the sand fencing may be done as in the past where the property owner would pay the entire cost for the sand fence installation and the Town would reimburse them ½ of the cost but that depends on what is left over from the Sea Oats grant. The engineers feel that the Sea Oats should be given priority then give consideration for sand fencing.

B. Police Report – Chief Fanning reviewed the 12/2019 police report. (See Attached)

C. Building Report – Ryan Fabbri stated that we are starting to see a lot more of beach boardwalk repairs being made. The engineers are saying that they should up then drop down on top of the dune and then have a walking path on the other side of the dune to the beach.

D. Financial Report
   I. Approve Payment to Marinex Construction. Rocky Holliday made a motion to approve payment to Marinex Construction for $1,231,692.80. Guerry Green seconded. All in favor.
   II. Approve Payment to Coastal Science & Engineering for $44,953.49. Guerry Green made a motion to approve payment to Coastal Science & Engineering for $44,953.49. Rocky Holliday seconded. All in favor.
   III. Financial Summary of Town Hall Project. Ryan Fabbri stated that the total project cost was $865,359 and approximately 89% of that cost was paid for by donations. There are still some bricks that we are waiting for due to errors found on the bricks. We should get them well before the summer. BEC is ready to remove the erred bricks and replace the corrected ones.

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BUSINESS

A. Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees

I. Reappoint Robert Levine to Accommodations Tax Committee for a two-year term which will expire on February 10, 2022. Rocky Holliday made a motion to approve Robert Levine to the Accommodation Tax Committee for a two-year term to expire on February 10, 2022. Guerry Green seconded. All in favor.

II. Reappoint Heide Johnson to Zoning Board of Appeals for a three-year term which will expire on December 12, 2023. Rocky Holliday made a motion to approve the reappointment of Heide Johnson to a three-year term to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Ashley Carter seconded. All in favor.

III. Two Vacant Seats on the Zoning Board of Appeals – Ryan Fabbri stated that this group meets as needed and we happen to have 3 variances that need to reviewed. However, we have 2 individuals, Baker Dawson and Phil Scheider, on the Zoning Board that do not want to remain on the board so we need to have 2 individuals ready to fill these positions to approve at our next council meeting.

IV. One Vacant Seat on Planning Commission – This vacant seat is for Chairperson, Jimmy McCants. Mayor Henry stated that John Hildreth expressed an interest in serving on the Planning Commission.

B. Strategic Planning Workshop Meeting – Mayor Henry stated that he would like to see the Boards, Commissions and Committees meet more frequently as they are important to help him and council conduct the Town’s business and some of them haven’t met in a long time. He feels that council should look at that and decide if these groups should meet more often. He met with George Raftelis who suggested that there be an off-site planning/workshop meeting and connected the Mayor with Gerald Wexelbaum who has offered to facilitate this discussion with the purpose of coming up with a vision for the Town of Pawleys Island to identify key issues that council identifies such as beach renourishment, revenue alternatives, environmental issues, potential for County, State and Federal funding for projects, traffic, creek silting, town budgeting, communication plan and to strengthen some of our committees and goals. Mr. Wexelbaum quoted that his fee would be $17,500 but would do this for us for $7,000 to conduct the off-site meeting and send a survey to all the property owners to get feed-back on all the things facing the Town. He would interview any property owner that would be willing to do so then interview all of us individually to identify our concerns. Mayor Henry is thinking that an off-site meeting of possibly 6 hours would be appropriate to invest the time and energy for the Town and future. This could be done on a Saturday so it wouldn’t interfere with work schedules. The best date for Mr. Wexelbaum would be possibly March 21st. Mayor Henry will contact Mr. Wexelbaum.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Guerry Green made a motion to adjourn. Ashley Carter seconded. All in favor.

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