

# TOWN OF PAWLEYS ISLAND TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

Town Hall – Conference Room | 323 Myrtle Ave | Pawleys Island SC 29585  
4-18-2022 – 5:00 pm

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

**ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Ryan Fabbri (Town Administrator), Mike Fanning (Chief of Police), Preston Janco (Town Clerk)

**ADDITIONAL PRESENT:** Ken Leach (Chairman of ARB)

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Henry called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

## 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

### - James B

James expressed concern of an electric bike that has been speeding up and down the Pawleys Island Beach. He is afraid that they are going to hit an animal or child. He has tried to get the bike rider on camera. Sarah Zimmerman asked Chief Fanning if the state has an electric bike law. Chief Fanning stated that he is unsure, however, the Town has a no motorized vehicles on the beach ordinance which is the ordinance that the Pawleys Island Police would apply to the situation. James B stated that he knows it is hard to catch them in the act because they can shut the motor part off and use it as a normal bike if they pass by police.

## 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

### A. 3-14-2022 REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Henry asked for a motion to approve the minutes from 3-14-2022. Guerry Green motioned to approve. Rocky Holliday seconded the motion. All approved.

## 4. REPORTS AND UPDATES

### A. POLICE REPORT

Chief Fanning stated that there were a couple things that stand out on this report. There was a burglary around December or January. Recently due to the work of Investigator Fairfield the stolen goods were found to be pawned at a pawn shop in Horry County. Chief Fanning stated there is a warrant for the suspects arrest, however, they reside in Horry County and the Pawleys Island Police have been unable to execute the arrest warrant because of short staff. They are working with other law enforcement agencies to help with the situation. Chief Fanning stated there was another burglary in which two chairs were stolen and then returned and another set of chairs were stolen. Sarah asked if the cameras caught anything. Chief Fanning stated that it is very difficult to determine the time they were stolen so the cameras couldn't help.

## B. BUILDING REPORT

Ryan Fabbri stated that there was just typical stuff in the building report. There are more building permits than usual due to the houses getting prepared for the Summer.

## C. FINANCIAL REPORT

Ryan stated that since we are only four months into the year there is still not much to report on. He stated that there is a financial summary attached to help explain the current financial status. Guerry asked how A-tax revenue is looking right now. Ryan stated that it is currently exceeding last year during the same time frame.

## 5. BUSINESS

### A. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

#### I. APPOINT EDDIE WILDER TO ACCOMMODATIONS TAX COMMITTEE FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON APRIL 12, 2024.

Rocky Holliday stated that Eddie has been a long-term property owner who had a successful real estate business. He lives here full time and graciously volunteered to serve on the board. Mayor Henry asked for a motion to appoint Eddie Wilder to the A-Tax committee. Guerry Green motioned to approve. Ashley Carter seconded the motion. All approved.

#### II. REAPPOINT JOHN HILDRETH TO PLANNING COMMISSION FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON APRIL 15, 2024

Mayor Henry stated that John Hildreth has chaired the Planning Commission for the past two years and likes the progress of the Planning Commission. Mayor Henry asked for a motion to reappoint John Hildreth to the Planning Commission. Rocky Holliday motioned to approve. Ashley Carter seconded the motion. All approved.

#### III. APPOINT PETER FAWCETT TO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON APRIL 15, 2025

Mayor Henry stated that Peter has been a part of Pawleys Island since 1989. He lives on Springs Ave and is excited for the future generations in Pawley Island. Mayor Henry asked for a motion to appoint Peter Fawcett to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Rocky Holliday motioned to approve. Guerry Green seconded the motion. All approved.

#### IV. APPOINT BYRON YORK TO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON APRIL 15, 2025.

Mayor Henry stated that Byron York has a house on Atlantic Ave. He is originally from Alabama and currently lives in Washington, D.C. Byron loves the traditional houses on Pawleys Island and wanted to protect Pawleys Island. Mayor Henry asked

for a motion to appoint Byron York to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Guerry Green motioned to approve. Rocky Holliday seconded the motion. All approved.

B. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2022-02: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3-2.2(I) OF THE TOWN'S UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE RELATED TO MINIMUM ROOF PITCH

Ryan stated that the current roof pitch requirement is 7:12 for the main and 4:12 for the ancillary roof pitches. However, most applicants submit with 3:12 ancillary roof pitches first. Ryan stated that this is the case due to most ancillary roof pitches being 3:12 and it gives the architects additional space for windows. Most architects find a 3:12 ancillary roof pitch easier to work with. So, this ordinance would be to change the 4:12 ancillary roof pitch requirement to 3:12. It does not affect the look because it is a very small change. Sarah asked what exactly the roof pitch ration meant. Ryan and Ken explained what a roof pitch is. Rocky Holliday commented that he likes the work Ken and the ARB have been doing to make the laws easier for the Town of Pawleys Island. Mayor Henry called for a motion to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of ordinance 2022-02. Rocky Holliday motioned to approve. Guerry Green seconded the motion. All approved.

C. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2022-03: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 12 OF THE TOWN'S UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE RELATED TO ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

Ryan stated that the goal of ordinance 2022-03 is to better articulate the role of the ARB. This ordinance would require the applicant to meet with the Town's architect when as of now it is just recommended. Guerry Green questioned the prior change of the applicant having to use an architect being changed to design professional or builder. Ken Leach expressed that this ordinance is different and that it would require the applicant to meet with the Town's appointed architect. Mayor Henry called for a motion to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance 2022-03. Guerry Green motioned to approve. Rocky Holliday seconded the motion. Mayor Henry asked if this was unanimously approved by the ARB and Planning Commission. Ryan said it was. All approved.

D. RESOLUTION 2022-01: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAWLEYS ISLAND HONORING POLICE SERGEANT TRACIE MILLIGAN UPON HER RETIREMENT.

Mayor Henry stated that everyone on Town Council has interacted with Tracie Milligan during her time of service and that she has handled every scenario she encountered appropriately. Mayor Henry thanked her for her service and read Resolution 2022-01. (See attached for Resolution). Mayor Henry called for a motion to approve Resolution 2022-01. Guerry Green motioned to approve. Rocky Holliday seconded the motion. Rocky Holliday added that Tracie has been a fixture of the

Town for many years, and she was always manning the gate during hurricanes. There are no complaints, and she always got the job done. All approved.

E. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO AUTHORIZE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN CONTRACT ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ELKO COASTAL CONSULTING, INC.

Mayor Henry stated that flooding has become more of an issue on Pawleys Island due to more storms and king tides. The Town recently put in back flow preventers as a pilot project for the drains in Pawleys Island. Mayor Henry stated that they are not perfect but they do help out a lot. He said over time the Town could possibly get help from property owners or DOT for additional flood projects, however, a quicker route could be done through state and federal grants. The Town needs project plans first before the grants can be pursued. Mayor Henry stated that he, Rocky, and Ryan recently spoke to Nicole Elko of the Beach Advocates group who is incredibly resourceful and involved with coastal town's flooding issues. The Town would like to work with her in getting grant money and developing a flood adaptation plan. She submitted a proposal that will cost the town \$12,000. Rocky Holliday stated that there is an abundance of money out there to go for probably in the billions. Mayor Henry stated that Nicole Elko will also pursue grant money for the Town to fund the study/plan. Ryan stated that Nicole is intelligent on coastal issues. Sarah wanted to know if she will incorporate CSE's previous studies. Ryan said that most likely and that she is connected all over the state and nationally. Mayor Henry added that Kiawah Island and Folly Beach's flooding issues are almost exactly what the Town of Pawleys Island is experiencing. Ryan said that this will give the Town a place to start and get more funding for the future. Mayor Henry stated that he wants to approve the funds and the study could be completed by September. Guerry stated that the creek dredging funds are also in the budget to help fund projects. Ryan stated that there was \$10,000 in the grants line item instead of \$12,000 like he originally believes but that is not an issue to funds being set aside for other projects. Mayor Henry asked for a motioned to authorize the Town Administrator to side the Elko Coastal Consulting contract. Rocky Holliday motioned to approve. Ashley Carter seconded the motion. All approved.

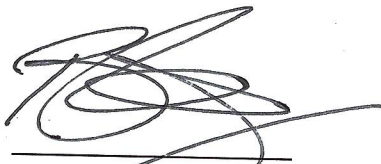
6. COMMENTS

Ashley Carter stated that some residents are complaining about golf carts not getting over to the side of the road for cars to pass. He wanted to know if golf carts are required to pull off to let cars go by. Sarah also wanted to know if there was a regulation. Chief Fanning stated that there was no regulation. Guerry asked if there was a minimum speed limit. Chief Fanning said no. Mayor Henry stated that additional signage or communication with the rental companies could possibly help. However, no one wants additional signage on Pawleys Island.

Mayor Henry added that the Mark Nash property is embarrassing and understands this has been asked before but is there anything that can be done about it. Ryan stated that there is nothing that can be done, and the owners appear to be keeping for sentimental reasons. He also added that the outside of the house looks rough, but the inside is actually nice. There are no health or safety violations from the property. Ryan stated that when there was an inspection done only a small inspection failed which had to do with one of the pipes in the house if he remembers correctly. The Town could pass something, but it would be a doozy because there are several others houses worse off on the Island that are tucked away. Since they are tucked away no one sees them to complain. Mayor Henry stated that saying embarrassing may be a little harsh. He is just curious if money issues are preventing them from fixing the house up. Ryan stated that they were in talks with realtors before to sell it but the asking price may have been too high. Mayor Henry, Rocky, and Guerry agree that talking to the owners may be the best and only step.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Henry asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rocky Holliday motioned to adjourn. Guerry Green seconded the motion. All approved.

  
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**ATTEST**

6/16/22

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RESOLUTION 2022-01

TOWN OF PAWLEYS ISLAND  
PAWLEYS ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA  
APRIL 18, 2022

**A Resolution Honoring Sergeant Tracie Milligan**

**WHEREAS**, Tracie Milligan was hired as a police officer for the Town of Pawleys Island in March of 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, prior to joining the Pawleys Island Police Department, Sergeant Milligan served as a police officer with the City of Georgetown Police Department for 8 years, and a Sergeant with Georgetown County Sherriff's Department for 11 years; and

**WHEREAS**, during her ten years of service, Tracie Milligan has conscientiously and capably served the Pawleys Island Police Department, the Town of Pawleys Island, and its citizenry; and has demonstrated the highest principles of community service while exhibiting high moral and ethical standards; and

**WHEREAS**, Sergeant Milligan demonstrated sound judgment and decision-making in matters involving the Pawleys Island Police Department; and her integrity, courtesy, and professionalism earned her the respect of the community, her co-workers, and peers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pawleys Island Police Department and the Town of Pawleys Island have benefited significantly from the dedicated law enforcement skills and services of Sergeant Milligan;

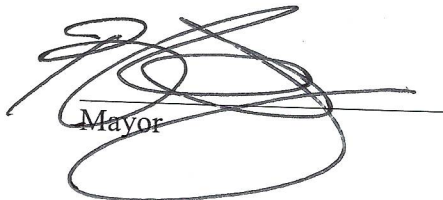
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Council does hereby commend and thank Sergeant Tracie Milligan for many years of dedicated law enforcement service, and especially for her positive contributions to the Pawleys Island Police Department and extend to her best wishes for a happy and healthy retirement.

Passed and adopted this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022.

ATTEST:

  
Town Clerk

SIGNED:

  
Mayor