

MINUTES
KITTY HAWK TOWN COUNCIL
Monday, February 4, 2019
Kitty Hawk Town Hall, 6 PM

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Presentation
 - Ken Willson, APTIM/Draft Year-1 (2018) Beach Monitoring Report
5. Public Comment
6. Consent Agenda
 - a.) Approval of January 7, 2019 Council Minutes
 - b.) FY 18-19 Quarterly Financial Statements
7. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda
8. New Business:
 - a.) Kitty Hawk Recreation Committee Liaison
 - b.) Resolutions Concerning the New & Old Oregon Inlet Bridge *(added during the meeting)*
9. Reports/General Comments from Town Manager
10. Reports/General Comments from Town Attorney
11. Reports/General Comments from Town Council
 - a.) Tice: Recreation Committee Update
12. Public Comment
13. Adjourn

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Gary Perry, Mayor Pro Tem Craig Garriss, Councilwoman Lynne McClean, Councilman Jeff Pruitt and Councilwoman Tina Tice

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Town Manager Andy Stewart, Town Clerk Lynn Morris, Town Attorney Casey Varnell, Finance Officer Liliana Noble, Management Assistant Melody Clopton, Police Chief Joel Johnson and Fire Chief Mike Talley

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Perry called this meeting to order at 6 p.m.

2. MOMENT OF SILENCE/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Following a moment of silence, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Perry amended the agenda by adding naming the new Oregon Inlet Bridge. MPT Garriss seconded the motion and it passed unanimously, 5-0.

4. PRESENTATION

- **Ken Willson, APTIM/Draft Year-1 (2018) Beach Monitoring Report**

Mr. Willson provided council with an overview of this 2018 report and explained that after the 2019 monitoring they will compare the two which will allow a better understanding for what the actual volume change is along the shoreline. The full report is located on the Town's website (www.kittyhawkncc.gov) and is labeled "2018 Shoreline & Volume Change Monitoring Report". It is with all the beach nourishment project videos and documents. You may also watch the council meeting on the website under the "Government" then "Town Council" tab.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

1.) Donny King, Owner/Executive Chef, Ocean Boulevard Bistro & Martini Bar, 4700 N. Virginia Dare Trail, Kitty Hawk, NC: *First I would like to thank all of you once again for how far we have come along with the beach nourishment. The work that led up to it and everything we are working with now to monitor the progress is just extremely important for our area. I recognize and appreciate it.*

I also appreciate the help I have been getting from Public Works and the Code Enforcement Officer in some of the projects I have been involved in through Better Beaches OBX. You added the sand fence, you contracted some beach planting and you have also helped us by providing us with beach grass to do some experimental planting to help bolster some of the areas that might be more troublesome and see how it works.

We have a list of about 150 volunteers so far that have been out there and stuck their hand in the sand. We have had as many as 50 working at one time. It was a little overwhelming, but it worked, and the roster is growing. They are having a good time.

We also got in touch with the people who are running the Moore Shore Living Project from the Coastal Federation. We are hoping to provide them with as many volunteers as they need.

This is due to an effort that we are being supported by you and we really appreciate it.

Perry: *And we appreciate the fact that you do take this on. Volunteer efforts just like firefighting and other things is important. There is only so much that a local government can do with the tax dollars. That volunteer extra effort is very much needed and we thank you.*

There were no other speakers.

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6. CONSENT AGENDA

a.) **Approval of January 7, 2019 Council Minutes.** *(An approval of the consent agenda will approve these minutes.)*

b.) **FY 18-19 Quarterly Financial Statements.** *(An approval of the consent agenda will acknowledge these statements.)*

MPT Garriss made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman McClean, to approve the consent agenda. It passed unanimously, 5-0.

7. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT THE AGENDA

No items were removed from the consent agenda.

8. NEW BUSINESS

a.) Kitty Hawk Recreation Committee Liaison

Mayor Perry said Councilman Pruitt is ready to hand this duty over to someone else (he has served since 2014) and Councilwoman Tice has indicated she would like to serve.

Councilwoman McClean made a motion to appoint Tina Tice as the Recreation Committee Liaison. The motion was seconded by Councilman Pruitt and it passed unanimously, 5-0.

b.) Resolutions Concerning the New & Old Oregon Inlet Bridge

Mayor Perry explained this subject came to him late on Friday and has to do with naming the new bridge across Oregon Inlet and in some way keeping the name Bonner which is the name of the present bridge.

Mayor Perry made a motion to approve a resolution *Recommending the Replacement for the Herbert C. Bonner Bridge to be Named in Honor of Marc Basnight*. The second one is a *Resolution Requesting Herbert C. Bonner be Retained as the Name of the Remaining Portions of the First Bridge Across Oregon Inlet*. He added Senator Basnight has not only done a lot for northeastern North Carolina and North Carolina in general, but he did so much for Kitty Hawk. Every time there was a storm and a road would get torn up, he was here to help. He got the state moving with some money for a flood study. He helped any way he could. This is a fitting tribute to him as far as he is concerned. MPT Garriss and Councilwoman Tice seconded and it passed unanimously, 5-0.

9. TOWN MANAGER

Manager Stewart announced the Town's **new website** was launched on Friday. It is a new platform and there are still a few things left to update and rearrange.

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Manager Stewart said at the capital improvements workshop last month the mayor brought up budgeting for a **dewatering pump**. In fiscal year 2014-15, before an MSD was established, \$224,000 was collected from a 2-cent town wide ad valorem increase dedicated for stormwater reduction. Those funds were rolled into the beach nourishment project once it began. The Finance Officer has projected the debt service to the end of fiscal year 2022 for beach nourishment and it shows a remaining balance of approximately \$296,000. Any of the money not collected in the MSD could be utilized for a pump.

10. TOWN ATTORNEY

Attorney Varnell said the new website looks good.

11. TOWN COUNCIL

a.) Recreation Committee Update:

Councilwoman Tice: *I would like to give the report from the Recreation Committee meeting which was held on January 29th. Also, a big thank you to Christine Buckner, Rita Phillis, Paul Henriques, Tom Heffner and Linda Barnhart for their dedication and the efforts they put into the committee. These volunteers do a great job.*

We had someone speak at public comment and that was Shelby Hines. He brought forth an excellent suggestion about creating educational markers for historical locations throughout the Town. Some of the places he mentioned, quite honestly, I have never heard of before and knew nothing about. The only one that knew of them I think was Jeff. Devil Oak Hill, Sound Landing, Duck Pond Bridge, Sign Post Road, Cahookie Church and a location on the sound side where the Wright Brothers came ashore. All members of the committee agreed this is a great idea to help educate and preserve the heritage of Kitty Hawk and should be pursued. Possibly some members of the committee could work with staff to interview and record Mr. Hines or anyone else for that matter who may have additional information to document this invaluable information. They felt these signs would be great especially for the younger generations that do not know our history and since we do not have Heritage Day anymore. Rita contacted me after the meeting and said she had checked with NCDOT to see if they had any funding or information available about historical markers. She thought this project would be difficult for us to pull off.

I would like to see if council believes it is something the staff should pursue.

Perry: *The difficulty is not in the stories. It might be difficult in placing a sign on what is now private property and things of that nature. I am going to suggest council think about this and come back with an answer for you or we can get with you individually on thoughts.*

Interviewing Shelby would be entertaining there is no question about that. Let's think about the markers and we will get back to you.

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Tice: *Another suggestion, thinking about the website, perhaps adding historical information. There could be some type of map showing the markers.*

Perry: *That makes sense.*

Tice: *We also had a few minor suggestions for Sandy Run Park and Paul Pruitt Park and checking for bike racks at beach accesses. Chairwoman Buckner is going to discuss these items with Public Works. Tom also suggested an informational/educational sign for the Living Shoreline Project on Moore Shore Road. Perhaps around the bench that is out there.*

Perry: *That is already a part of the project and is the whole purpose of the project as far as the Coastal Federation is concerned. It is very important to them for the public to know what they are doing. Let's let them get through the project first and see what they put up. If we need to add more we can do that.*

Tice: *The Points of Interest Map has been completed and is on the Town website. People can print it out or just view it. It has the beach accesses, boat ramp and other points of interest. They talked about printing it out, but I think the cost is prohibitive. It is a big document and both sides are in color. In this day and age, I know the younger generation is just going to pull out their smart phone or other electronic device and google it.*

The committee is also working with staff on the Master Plan for recreation for the Town. A big thank you to Paul Henriques and Andy for all their work on this project. Any changes or revisions to the plan will be discussed at the next meeting which is February 25th.

McClean: *I have been on the website and it is nice and clean. One of the things I started to look for was the zoning map but then I realized I had saved it somewhere, so I went there to get it. I think all we must do is get used to it. Thank you all for the work on it.*

Garriss: *Thank you Andy for the luncheon that was recently held at Sandy Run Park to showcase the new playground equipment. It was very nice. Seems everybody that came out had a good time.*

Perry: *That was a nice get together. The park came along nice. It is an improvement over things that were not being used.*

I have a question. Where are we with the connector trails?

Stewart: *I should have something for you by our next meeting.*

12. PUBLIC COMMENT

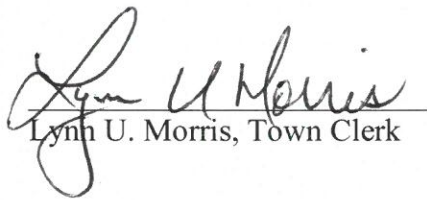
There were no comments.

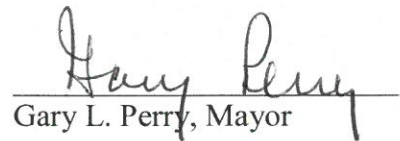
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13. ADJOURN

Mayor Perry and MPT Garriss made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Councilwoman McClean and passed unanimously, 5-0. Time was 7:03 p.m.

These minutes were approved at the March 4, 2019 council meeting.


Lynn U. Morris, Town Clerk


Gary L. Perry, Mayor