

The Town Council held a Town meeting on Monday, April 20, 2015 at 4:00 pm in the Town office located at 121 North Gate Road, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572.

Present	Mayor	Gary Pell
	Members of Council	Rebecca Hinds
		Huston Huffman
		Paul Rotondo
		Abigail Stewart
	Town Police Chief	Kyle Lamparter
	Town Clerk	Sheila Hamiltoon

With a quorum present, Mayor Pell called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. Mrs. Judi Coppedge came to the meeting to discuss a drainage issue in front of her home on Ocean View Drive. Mayor Pell explained that this was discussed briefly at the last workshop and both he and Councilman Huffman went to look at the area following the meeting. Mrs. Coppedge admitted that they are in a low area, but they work very hard to maintain it. When people leave the roadway, they create a muddy ditch due to the marshy right-of-way. She provided pictures for Council to review. Councilman Huffman also took pictures. Mayor Pell stated that the town will look at all the options and will get back with Mrs. Coppedge. One option could be to install something in the area that could remove the water and another option was to put some kind of barrier to prevent people from leaving the roadway. A low shoulder sign was also suggested. Mayor Pell also advised that Kyle did talk to the contractor working at 311 Beach and asked that the large trucks that are delivering to 311 Beach to use Beach Drive instead of Ocean View.

Mayor Pell proceeded with the approval of minutes for March 10th workshop and March 16th town meeting. Copies of the minutes were previously distributed to Council and were available to the public. Hinds made a motion and Rotondo seconded to approve the minutes of the March 10th workshop and the minutes of the March 16th town meeting as written. The motion was unanimously approved. Both minutes were approved as written.

Councilwoman Stewart presented the financial statement and voucher for the period ending March 31, 2015. The statement just came in today as the accountant was busy with tax returns. We are a little low in revenues. Our real estate taxes we budgeted \$270,442 and we are at \$259,161. We also receive some late deposits under revenue sharing through the Municipal Association tax collection program for both insurance and telecommunication. With no other comment, Stewart made a motion and Huffman seconded to approve the financial statement and voucher for the period ending March 31, 2015. The motion was unanimously approved. The

financial statement and voucher for the period ending April 30th was approved as presented. Councilwoman Hinds asked if Council could receive the financial statement within a sufficient time period so that they can review the statement. Councilwoman Stewart will contact Ray Cooper to see if the statement could be sent to us a week before the town meeting in order to review it. Sometimes the delay has been due a bank statement or statements being late.

Chief Lamparter presented the security report for the period March 16, 2015 to April 20, 2015. There were 53 incidents or calls for service that included (1) speeding; (3) vehicle registration violations; (1) driving under the influence; (6) active alarms; and, (1) assisted motorist. On 4/3/15 larceny later cleared unfounded when the stolen property was misplaced and was located. 4/4/15 vandalism to the cabana gate. 4/10/15 illegal parking trespassing at the Cabana. Assistance to the County Police. 3/23/15 suspicious person behind the Kroger at Lake Arrowhead Road. 4/13/15 assistance at the mall; suspicious person at the Scotchman 300 Hilton Road; and, assist EMS with driver having a medical emergency on Lake Arrowhead Road. 4/14/15 suspicious person at Conway National Bank on N. Kings Hwy. Assistance from the County Police. 3/22/15 Domestic disturbance. All stop signs and traffic signs in proper position. Speed limit sign post replaced on Cabana Road. The Chief explained that his brother helped him replace the radiator. He suggested that Council send a thank you note on letterhead for assisting him in replacing the radiator.

Old business includes committee reports. Councilman Huffman advised that Kyle ran a line to the Town's land line for the security system. The system is now in operation. We were able to contract with Protec at a cost of \$270 each year. We also had a technician from TNT check the HVAC system and we signed a service contract with them for \$140 a year. Due to its age, we might want to budget monies to replace the unit. Kyle suggested that we install rebar under the deer fence between the town and the Spiritual Center on Middle Gate Road in order to keep the alligators out. Councilman Huffman stated he has taken care of this already. He also stated that we haven't called for mosquito spraying yet, but he will go ahead and call. Councilwoman Hinds reported that the fire wise event will be held on Saturday, May 30th for the educational portion of the event. The actual pick up will begin the following Monday. Residents can begin to place their debris out the previous weekend, May 23rd. Tree limbs can be no larger than 4" in diameter and bags can be no heavier than 40 lbs. The committee consists of David Buonviri and John Wiley. Councilman Rotondo stated that he has ordered the grass carp and the same company will handle the control of the algae. Mayor Pell stated that we did receive the cost estimate from Myrtle Beach for the sewer system. He plans to work up the allocations and get with Neil next week so we can go back to Myrtle Beach. Mayor Pell is going to contact the realtor for the property at 314 Ocean View to let them know about the sewer system.

The first item of new business is 1st reading of Ordinance #2015-03 to amend the budget for FY2014/2015 totaling \$442,960 in title only. Councilwoman Stewart is working on the adjustments. We will not be depositing the \$25,000 into the road fund and she is looking at some small adjustments in a few categories. With no further discussion, Stewart made a motion

and Huffman seconded to approve 1st reading of ordinance #2015-03 in title only. The motion was unanimously approve.

There was no public input.

With no further business or discussion, Hinds made a motion and Rotondo seconded to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 4:45pm.

Signed original on file at the Town Office

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Hamilton
Town Clerk

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