

On Monday, November 7, 2022, at 5:00pm, the Town Council held a Council Workshop at the Town Hall located at 121 North Gate Road, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29572.

Present

Mayor

Mayor Pro Tempore

Council

Brian Palliser

Laura Pendley

John Wylie

Chief of Police Kyle Lamparter **Town Clerk** Jennifer Newbold

The media and public were duly notified of the date, time, and place of the Workshop. At 5:00pm, with a quorum present, Mayor Buonviri called the Workshop to order.

Mayor Buonviri began the Workshop with a quick overview and purpose of the Agenda.

Discussions followed, beginning with **Mayor Buonviri**:

Hurricane Ian update – The Town declared a **State of Emergency** on Thursday, September 29, 2022, in preparation for the storm. After Hurricane Ian struck on September 30th, the Mayor attended a Zoom meeting with the State Emergency Management Division (EMD). At this point, the event has been declared an emergency, not a disaster. Therefore, no assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA) is foreseen.

Parkman Tree Service cleared the roads immediately as the **preposition** agreement was invoked. Their **preposition invoice** is not complete. Vereen Tree Service and Parkman were engaged to clear and haul the debris. Vereen's **debris removal** invoice was approved. The debris collected by Parkman is placed on the lot at 117 Hickory Lane with permission. The Town is applying American Rescue Plan funding for the hurricane clean-up.

Tree Advisory Board – Requisite to Tree City USA designation, a Tree Advisory Board must be established. Mayor Buonviri announced the selected members who agreed to volunteer - Peggy Bell, Judi Ellis, Bob Liddle, Carla Makela, and Jimbo Newton. Council approved and led into the next discussion.

Mayor Tempore Bell: Tree City USA/Arbor Day – She announced that the Tree Board would meet quarterly and that celebrating Arbor Day this year would be too rushed. The hurricane disrupted potential plans to celebrate on December 2^{nd} . Monies previously spent from Fire Wise would qualify, and the event may likely be joined with Fire Wise in April next year.

Councilman Palliser: Lakes – The Councilman is concentrating on the upcoming Lakes project and evaluating downed trees in the areas. Tree removal from the hurricane will be an added expense to the preapproved project. In addition, access to the affected areas will be sought and will be of focus.

Councilwoman Pendley: Technology/Communication – She reminded Council that a contact list is on Teams and that she and the Clerk are changing it weekly and that the number of residents without contact by email and/or cell phone has dramatically dropped in the past year.

Councilman Wylie: Debris/Trees – previously discussed.

Chief Lamparter: Public Safety – The Chief discussed debris in the Buffer Zone on Highway 17. He is urging the Association to communicate with the owner of the property. The Association is solely responsible for management of the area. The debris is dead and is a fire hazard.

Clerk: Reporting - She requested that Council decide whether a Workshop and/or Meeting is necessary in December, and she clarified Workshop and Meeting days and times for the **2023 calendar**.

Ms. Newbold provided important information she obtained about **Act 218** compliance from the conference and training attended in North Augusta. The Department of Justice (DOJ) will be auditing every department.

The Clerk added **Items** to the Town Meeting Agenda.

Matters requiring attention touched on **nuisance properties** and will continue to be addressed during Town Meetings.

Public Input followed; **motorized bikes on the beach** will be revisited during the Spring.

The date and time of the upcoming **Meeting** was announced, and at 5:44pm, Pendley made a motion and Bell seconded to enter **Executive Session** to discuss legal matters concerning zoning noncompliance. The vote was unanimous.

And at 6:00pm, with no votes taken nor decisions made, Pendley made a motion and Bell seconded to **exit Executive Session**. This vote was also unanimous. Council **returned to Regular Session**; at 6:01pm, with no further business to discuss, the Council Workshop adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, *Jennifer B. Newbold*Jennifer B. Newbold

Town Clerk

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