

On Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at 5pm, the Town Council held a Town Meeting at the Town Hall located at 121 North Gate Road, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29572.

Present

Mayor
Pro Tempore
Peggy Bell
Council
Brian Palliser
John Wylie
Chief of Police
Kyle Lamparter
Town Clerk
Jennifer Newbold
Absent
Councilwoman
Laura Pendley

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

Mayor Buonviri began the Meeting with a brief overview of the Agenda and approval of the **Consent Agenda**, **November Minutes and November and December Financials**. There was no Workshop or Town Meeting held in December 2022.

Chief Lamparter presented the **Security Report** for November 21, 2022 – January 17, 2023, with 66 incidents or calls for service. See attached.

Mayor Pro Tem Bell continued with the **Treasurer's Report**. See attached. In addition, she reported that the annual audit for fiscal year 2021 - 2022 is complete and approved.

Old Business followed. Mayor Buonviri reviewed updated information on the November 2022 Hurricane Ian Disaster Declaration. \$45,268.00 in ARP funds have been used in the recovery efforts. He and the Clerk attended a Recovery Scope Meeting with FEMA to provide a briefing; the Clerk will begin processing claim information and questions for the portal. Mayor Buonviri reminded residents of the January 23 deadline for personal FEMA assistance.

Next, on the Old Business Agenda, the Mayor Pro Tem reported on the **Beautification** project. The Clerk received a quote for the **Center Town kiosk**; one additional quote is expected. Chief Lamparter installed a temporary light to illuminate the flag while a replacement is ordered, and Vereen Tree Service removed dead trees and cleared brush in the golf cart parking area. Council discussed adding a date or two each year for residents to order Heritage Walk bricks.

Councilman Palliser followed with a report on the **Lakes/ARP** project and **Roads**. The remaining portion of the project to complete is in the neck of North Lake between Pine Tree Lane and North Gate Road; the remainder of the ARP work will be completed manually in the next week. The tree that is downed from

Hurricane Ian will be billed separately. The Councilman is updating **Roads repair areas** in hopes of completing them by the end of February.

Mayor Buonviri reported **brush trimming** on South Gate with more to continue from the **Landscape Maintenance** crew; they are also clearing and mulching **piles** dumped in the medians. The crew is continuing to remove trash from the **buffer** and seasonally maintain the front **Gates**.

Chief Lamparter reported ordering a "bump" sign for the cut in pavement on Lake Drive during the **Public Safety** session. The City of Myrtle Beach cut the road while repairing a deteriorated water line. He will also be sending a reminder email to lock cars and remove personal items.

The Clerk reported receiving second quarter **Roads** Fees and Councilman Wylie will contact Coastal Asphalt to set a preliminary date to begin the **Roads resurfacing project**.

Technology and Communications was next. Councilwoman Pendley provided a list for the Clerk to contact in reference to 0-contact residents. She will begin the communication.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell reported on **Tree City USA**; the Town will re-submit the application as an April **Arbor Day** celebration is scheduled and a **Resolution** is required. The celebration will coincide with other activities and Fire Wise.

Reporting followed; the Clerk referenced Article IX Sec. 2 – 233 (3) of the procurement code regarding procurement during a State of Emergency. The question was raised in the November meeting. No changes or additions in the ordinance are required. Ms. Newbold has sworn in the newest Board of Zoning Appeals member and reported that all **Commissions** are current. She will continue to monitor and provide information for **Continued Learning**.

There were no **New Business** items to discuss nor updates on **Short Term Rentals** legislation.

In **Matters That Require Attention**, Mayor Buonviri contacted the consulting firm representative used to acquire the **permit** to realign the **swash**. It is on the calendar to for a five-year renewal; the renewal process should not be as cumbersome as the original permit acquisition. In addition, the Mayor spoke to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) representative regarding the **low-flying MV22 Osprey** that are flying into Windy Hill; the regulation is **450 feet above treetops** at the Town distance. The Mayor was instructed to call if or when it happens and requested residents to contact him immediately if they witness it.

Public Input was shared about **safety separation options** concerning coyotes. A suggestion offered was consideration of fencing options, requiring an ordinance amendment. Legal regulations were also reviewed.

Items were added to the Agenda and Mayor Buonviri thanked residents for their attendance and input and announced the dates and times of **upcoming Meetings**. At 5:50pm, Wylie made a motion and Bell seconded to enter **Executive Session** to discuss **contractual and legal matters**. The vote was unanimous.

With no votes taken nor decisions made, at 5:59pm, Palliser made a motion and Bell seconded to reenter **Regular Session**; this vote was also unanimous.

| | Respectfully submitted, Jennifer B. Newbold |
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| | Jennifer B. Newbold Town Clerk |
| Approved | |

And with no further business to discuss, the Town Meeting **adjourned** at 6:00pm.