

On Tuesday, January 18, 2022, at 5:00pm, the Town Council held a Town Meeting at the Town Hall located at 121 North Gate Road, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29572.

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

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, approval of the Consent Agenda, the December 2021 Minutes and the November and December 2021 Financials.

Chief Lamparter presented the Security Report for December 13, 2021 – January 18, 2022, with 57 incidents or calls for service. See attached. Future reports will detail additional police department activities.

Mayor Pro Tempore Bell followed with the Treasurer's Report (see attached) and an update on Town Hall Lawn Beautification project. She advised that Capital Irrigation began the scheduled work on the irrigation system and that a new pump was purchased. And, after research, she found the best and most efficient option is to purchase a commercial flagpole that includes installation. The Mayor Pro Tem will also meet with a contractor to begin the next phase of the project, bush hogging in the rear of the Town Hall.

The Meeting began with Old Business, Lakes and Stormwater was first on the Agenda. The guests invited to present reports and provide recommendations were unable to attend but will later. The Mayor and Clerk discussed areas of opportunity for stormwater including drainage areas on or around Bayberry, Birch, Beach, and Green Park. Council was provided the Final Rule for the American Rescue Plan (ARP) and information from the Treasury webinar and Environmental Protection Agency handouts in their Agenda packets regarding expenditures for the ARP. The Clerk will file the report by the April 30, 2022, deadline. Mayor Buonviri will meet with representatives from Horry County Stormwater on Wednesday to assess the Lakes and stormwater needs.

Next, Mayor Buonviri mentioned that the Town Landscape Maintenance contract will go out to bid on March 28; he increased the man hours required. The Landscape crew will continue to pull the bamboo blocking line of sight at the entrance to Middle Gate and the hazardous yuccas in other areas.

Chief Lamparter discussed several Public Safety issues next. Some thought is being given to supplementing the current security cameras with others in different locations and to obtain license plate readers that include analytics. The Chief also provided an update to "brandishing" of firearms/weapons. He received a letter from the South Carolina Attorney General, Alan Wilson, stating no opinion will be provided until the State Supreme Court hears the current case(s). He will also continue working on the ordinance regulating ocean-front fences and number of signs allowed on a property per Town Legal Counsel and requested some assistance from the Clerk.

Council discussed safety concerns in and around some of the vacant homes in Town, including evidence of a possible squatter. Measures have been taken by a homeowner. Chief Lamparter will inspect other concerns during daylight hours.

Councilman Wylie mentioned that Fire Wise will be placed for bid February 14th and that he has spoken with North Myrtle Beach Fire Department to assist with the Public Safety/ Fire Safety Day to be held on April 23, prior to the annual collection event (April 26).

Technology/Communications followed; Councilwoman Pendley reported that she and the Clerk worked on Town email distribution and that she will have a meeting later during the week with VC3 for a mock-up of the new Town website.

The Clerk's reporting was mixed among prior Agenda items.

No New Business was on the Agenda.

Public Input followed. During the session, a resident inquired and was informed about the procedure for ordinances/amendments.

The date and time of the February Workshop was announced. At 5:58pm, with no further business to discuss, the Town Meeting adjourned.

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

Town Clerk

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