

On Tuesday, February 22, 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
	<b>Mayor Pro Tempore</b>	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 and approval of the Consent Agenda, the January Minutes and Financials.

Chief Lamparter presented the Security Report for January 18, 2022, - February 22, 2022, with 51 incidents or calls for service. See attached.

Mayor Pro Tempore Bell followed with the Treasurer's Report (see attached).

The Meeting began with Old Business; Lakes and Stormwater was first on the Agenda. Richard Black of Total Lake Care, a proactive, holistic company, presented results of the bathymetry study conducted on the Lakes and provided recommendations. A preliminary meeting was held including Horry County Stormwater representatives. Members of the Town Lakes Committee and Volunteer Water Quality Testing Committee were invited, and some were in attendance of the Town Meeting. Mr. Black provided a before and after study from Pawley's Island, requested in the preliminary meeting, and answered questions. Discussion followed. After discussion, Council decided to engage in the following, using American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds:

- Continue the monthly **Aquaculture treatments** the normal maintenance treatments completed on North Lake may be used more on other trouble areas when additional work begins.
- **Sediment Eradication** for **North Lake** four-month aggressive service provided for \$6,450.00 (\$2,500.00/day).
  - >Product is applied throughout the growing season (April September)
  - >One month treatment consists of 90 pounds of SMR bacteria pellets, treating
  - 5.07 surface acres of sediment
  - >Rate of depletion is up to **two inches** per application

>Includes a post-bathymetry study after all applications to detail results

The multi-dimensional goal of the sediment eradication project is to:

- >Increase water quality
- >Reduce muck in the lake by two feet
- >Aid in stormwater management
- >Provide residents with more opportunity for activity on the Lakes

Black also provided a proposal for **bank restoration** (\$30,000.00) and discussed a three-day **micro dredging project** (\$6,500.00/\$2,500.00/day) where the eradication may not be as effective.

The Mayor's meeting with Dirt Works was postponed; he has not been able to discuss Horry County's suggestions for digging deeper ditches where flow of stormwater is currently impeded. Other areas of concern include Bayberry, Birch, Beach, and Green Park.

Mayor Pro Tempore Bell provided an update on the Town Hall Lawn Beautification project. Vines and various brush and trees were bush hogged, and hardscaping is complete. The flagpole is installed and plant scaping will continue through April 23.

Next, Mayor Buonviri mentioned that the Town Landscape Maintenance crew is continuing to monitor and collect debris by Highway 17. The Mayor has requested Vereen to provide a quote for stump removal.

Public Safety was next on the Agenda. Mayor Buonviri reviewed the progress on the proposed amendments for Sec. 32-28 Signs and Sec. 32-29 Fences and walls and what legal council has recommended. Chief Lamparter will continue to research other possible additions and the timeline was also reviewed. The Public Hearing will take place on March 21, 2022, at 5pm, with the Town Meeting immediately following.

Chief Lamparter discussed several Public Safety issues next. Bike Week(s) will be unlike the past two years. New restaurants in the Myrtle Beach Mall and lot are open and concern for traffic and congestion has been discussed among Law Enforcement Officials. Extra help will be needed in the area this year as Atlantic Beach will be hosting the event and will have vendors. The Chief is consulting with HTC about upgrading the cameras for date and time stamps for Daylight Savings and increasing bandwidth on the Highway 17 cameras. He mentioned that North Myrtle Beach will be moving forward with license plate reader cameras.

Councilman Wylie and the Clerk reported that bids are disbursed and posted for Fire Wise and are due by 12pm on March 4. In addition, April 23 is designated for the Fire Wise, Public Safety and Wellness day at the Town Hall. The Councilman had nothing new to report on Roads. Bell requested that Wylie collect a quote(s) for sealcoating the horseshoe of the Town Hall drive.

Technology/Communications followed; Councilwoman Pendley reported that she and the Clerk have maintained resident lists and she wishes to start prioritizing the "Did You Know" feature for future communication.

The Clerk's reporting was mixed among prior Agenda items, and she reminded Council to complete their Statement of Economic Interest, due by March 30 and to RSVP for the League of Cities Meeting.

One item of New Business was on the Agenda. Pendley made a motion and Bell seconded to adopt Resolution #2022.01 Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement for Emergency and Disaster Response and Recovery. The vote was unanimous. No changes were made in the resolution other than signatures.

No Public Input was shared during the session.

The date and time of the March Workshop was announced. At 6:28pm, with no further business to discuss, the Town Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer B. Newbold

Jennifer B. Newbold Town Clerk

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