

On Monday, March 20, 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 Mayor Pro Tempore Council

Chief of Police Town Clerk Dave Buonviri Peggy Bell Brian Palliser Laura Pendley John Wylie Kyle Lamparter Jennifer Newbold

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, February Minutes and Financials**.

Chief Lamparter presented the **Security Report** for February 21, 2023 – March 20, 2023, with 31 incidents or calls for service. See attached. The Chief also showed body worn video of a perpetrator hiding in vegetation while under pursuit.

Mayor Pro Tem Bell continued with the **Treasurer's Report**. See attached. After Bell's report, Councilman Palliser commented on the Town considering investing in UST Bills.

Four **Old Business** items **from the Council Workshop** followed. Mayor Buonviri and Council continued their discussion and decided to have Larry Saunders, Nuisance Wildlife Specialty, to survey for **coyote dens**. If he can find a dens(s), then further decisions will be made.

Regarding the **Santee Cooper outages**, Mayor Buonviri and the Clerk met with Santee Cooper and were provided a report detailing outages. The report was provided to Council. Most outages in Briarcliffe are caused by **animals** and **vegetation** falling across lines. **Preventative resolutions** were provided, deterring animals from climbing poles, and for review of areas for spot trimming. Santee Cooper offered an answer regarding **residential growth** in the area and has a plan in place to support the growth with power needed. Residents will receive various information through the "Did you know?" **communications**.

First reading, (**Title Only**) of Ordinance **#2023.01** authorizing the Town to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement to participate in Local Revenue Services (**LRS**) programs followed. Second reading and adoption will take place at the April Town Meeting.

Council agreed that they will schedule and hold ordinance review workshops.

Mayor Buonviri followed with new information on the **stormwater/drainage projects**. He discussed meeting with a new contractor to complete the projects on Beach, Cabana, and Bayberry; Dirt Works is overscheduled. The Mayor informed Council that the **SCIIP grants** have not been awarded; the Town is still in contention.

Next, on the **Old Business Agenda**, the Mayor Pro Tem reported on **Beautification**. The new **Center Town kiosk** is complete, and the flagpole light has been repaired. Bell will schedule a clean-up of the Town Hall grounds before the Arbor Day celebration.

Councilman Palliser followed with a report on the Lakes/ARP. Total Lake Care should return to remove the **downed tree** and **debris** from **Middle Lake** from the hurricane by the end of the week, weather permitting. The normal, monthly aquaculture treatments will continue.

Mayor Buonviri is having the Landscape Maintenance crew to continue the work on the medians and begin the spring Gates plantings. In addition, Chief Lamparter and Councilman Wylie will remove the dead trees from the Pine Tree Lane cul-de-sac.

Chief Lamparter discussed the new license plate cameras (**Public Safety**) with Mayor Buonviri following the Workshop. The order will be placed before March 31.

Next, Councilman Wylie briefed attendees on the **Roads resurfacing project.** The preliminary date to begin paving will be the afternoon hours of **April 24**. Weather permitting, paving will be complete before the Arbor Day and Fire Wise festivities and debris collection.

Technology and Communications was next. Councilwoman Pendley has drafted four separate, **informative communications** that will be sent to residents.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell reported on **Tree City USA**; the Town will conduct Arbor Day festivities on April 28th and 29th. Mayor Buonviri signed the **Arbor Day proclamation**. "Save the dates" was sent to residents and other updates will follow.

The Clerk **reporting** was included throughout the Meeting.

One item of **New Business** was on the Agenda. The **bid(s)** for **Fire Wise (#2023.01) was opened and reviewed; Vereen Tree Service, LLC** was the sole bidder. Vereen matched the 2022 bid – Phase I – Canopy/Right of Way trimming (\$5,000.00) and Phase II – debris removal - \$150.00/ton. The bid tabulation will be posted, and the bid will be awarded at a Bid Award Meeting on April 3, 2023, at 5pm. The Council Workshop will immediately follow.

There were no new Matters That Require Attention.

Public Input about banking, coyotes, Frontier infrastructure, and debris in medians was shared.

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**.

And with no further business to discuss, the Town Meeting **adjourned** at 6:16pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer B. Newbold

Jennifer B. Newbold Town Clerk

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