

Town Of Briarcliffe Acres

On Monday, September 19, 2022, 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

Dave Buonviri
Peggy Bell
Laura Pendley
Brian Palliser
John Wylie
Kyle Lamparter
Jennifer Newbold

Chief of Police
Town Clerk

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 highly attended Meeting with a brief overview of the Agenda and approval of the **Consent Agenda**, the August Minutes and Financials.

Chief Lamparter presented the **Security Report** for August 15, 2022 – September 19, 2022, with 42 incidents or calls for service. See attached.

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

The Mayor Pro Tem continued with the Old Business Agenda; she had nothing new to report on the next phase of the **Beautification** project.

Next, Mayor Buonviri and the Clerk discussed **Drainage**. The Clerk, with assistance from the Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments (WRCOG), applied for a **\$350,000.00 Viability Planning grant** with the Rural Infrastructure Authority (RIA) to help assess the Town's Stormwater Management and opportunities for improvement. The results should be available by the beginning of the new calendar year.

Councilman Palliser followed with a report on **Lakes**. The sediment eradication began in August and the extensive clean-up of North Lake is scheduled to begin in November. These projects are budgeted using ARP funds. The second tranche of funds is expected in November.

Landscape Maintenance was next on the Agenda. Mayor Buonviri mentioned that attention to landscape needs is being met and has continued to improve with the new contract.

Chief Lamparter reported on **Public Safety** immediately following the Security Report. The decision was made to hold on entering into a new **Pawn Shop software** agreement. The Chief will determine it on an as-needed basis. **South Carolina State Law** has changed and is mandating written policy change for Public Safety. Models are provided by the Municipal Association of South Carolina and are available on the *Uptown Update* podcast. Compliance is required by January 1, 2023. The scheduled discussion was forwarded to the upcoming Workshop so that Council may have time to listen to the podcast. Chief Lamparter's discussion on moving the North Gate and South Gate **entrance walls** was also tabled until spring.

Councilman Wylie, Mayor Buonviri, and the Clerk followed with **Roads**. The preliminary deadline for the **resurfacing project** completion was set for October 29 but will be amended to May 2023. The bid award date will remain the same. Ms. Newbold will post the amendment to the website and will contact any known vendors that previously requested tours and bid packages.

Councilman Palliser paused on a decision for the Pine Tree Lane **cul-de-sac** and will defer to the Planning Commission to also include Evergreen Lane and Palmetto Lane.

Councilwoman Pendley discussed starting the depository of documents for **digitization**; she requested lists. Pendley moved forward with and subscribed the Town to the **emergency texting (communication)** notification program.

First reading (**Title Only**) of Ordinance **#2022.04 Public Tree Ordinance**, a requirement to become a **Tree City USA** designee, was next on the Agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Bell has been instrumental in this process; the ordinance delegates authority and responsibility for managing public trees and the Town will establish a Tree Advisory Board. Pendley made a motion and Wylie seconded. The vote was unanimous to adopt the ordinance. Second reading will take place in October.

The Clerk will complete the Fire Wise **application** during the week. She reminded Council of the \$5,000.00 maximum grant allowance for the upcoming year.

New Business was next on the Agenda. The Town will join the **American Flood Coalition** in conjunction with North Myrtle Beach and Myrtle Beach. The coalition is free to join and is an advocacy group for protecting ocean-front and flood areas,

In **Matters That Require Attention, certified letters** were being sent to two property owners concerning deteriorating conditions of their properties. One property changed hand (sale) before the letter was sent and the owner of the other responded to the Town Attorney. He is in Town and has begun to remedy the situation.

Use of the Town Hall as a community center and two reasons for its prohibition were discussed.

The Mayor posted the report provided for outages from **Santee Cooper** in Teams. He is going to have it summarized more before he provides it to Town residents. **Spectrum reliability** was also discussed. Mayor Buonviri has reached out to HTC; they require 90% guaranteed participation to provide the \$750,000.00 infrastructure for Town internet and television services. Chief Lamparter did comment on Spectrum's lines being covered with tree branches and vines on Highway 17. Chief Lamparter is going to send pictures.

Public Input was shared about vegetation overgrowth and trees prohibiting Santee Cooper access in the power easements.

Mayor Buonviri thanked residents for their attendance and input and announced the dates and times of upcoming Meetings. At 5:47pm, with no further business to discuss, the Town Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer B. Newbold

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Town Clerk

Approved _____