

**TOWN OF CAROLINA SHORES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 10, 2011**

Mayor Stephen C. Selby called the March 10, 2011 meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Mayor Selby gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Members present: Joseph Przywara, Walter Goodenough, John Russo, Joyce Dunn and Thomas Puls. Also present: Mike Hargett, Town Administrator, Nicole Marks, Deputy Town Clerk, Julie Munday, Finance Officer and Chuck Riggins, Building Inspector.

Absent: None

Announcement: Mayor Selby thanked the audience for those who attended the Public Hearing on county wide recycling and hope they had a better understanding.

Approval of Agenda:

COMMISSIONER DUNN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MARCH 10, 2011 AGENDA. COMMISSIONER RUSSO SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Oath of Office:

Mayor Selby swore in Mr. Mark T. Brown as a member of the Planning and Zoning Board.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Gere Dale, 46 Calabash Drive: Mr. Dale notice that the Budget Calendar is on the Consent Agenda. He got a copy of the Budget Calendar yesterday and doesn't know if it's been amended but if there's a meeting on March 21, 2011 for the Town Retreat then you can't very well have a Budget Committee meeting on the same day. Mr. Dale assumes that if the Board looks at the Consent Agenda it should be recognized. Also, Mr. Dale stated that Mike Hargett submitted the framework for the Public Retreat and would like to ask the Board to have a public comment section on the Agenda at the end seeing it's an open meeting.

Consent Agenda:

COMMISSIONER DUNN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS.

- Approval – February 7, 2011 BOC Pre-Agenda Meeting Minutes
- Approval – February 10, 2011 BOC Regular Meeting Minutes

- Approval – Budget Calendar Fiscal Year 2011-2012

COMMISSIONER RUSSO SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY DISCUSSION. Commissioner Russo asked if the twenty first on the Budget Calendar was going to be a problem and Mayor Selby stated that according to staff it's not. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Town Administrator Report / Mr. Mike Hargett – On File at Town Hall

- Retreat – May 21, 2011 is the date from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm and location is still to be determined. The location will be held in a convenient place for residents.
- Budget Schedule – There initially was a conflict but that has been resolved.
- Gaming Establishments – The Town has visited all the local establishments and took count of the machines. Attempt being made to collect any remaining balances owed.
- Brunswick Community College – A finalized permit has been received from the college.

Announcement:

Mayor Selby announced that the Arbor Day Celebration is going to be held at Town Hall on Friday, March 18, 2011 at 1:00 pm.

Financial Report – Ms. Julie Munday, Finance Officer – On File at Town Hall

- Undesignated Balance - \$ 1,458,021.00
- Total Expenses - \$ 58,474.00
- Total Revenue - \$ 64,168.00
- CD's - \$ 2,000,000.00
- Property Taxes - \$ 5,779.00
- Building Permit Revenue - \$ 3,603.00

Communication Committee Report – Chairperson McMahan discussed the write-up that should go out to any media articles pertaining to Carolina Shores. Mayor Selby asked the Board of Commissioners if any of them objected to having their address printed along with their telephone number and no one objected. In regards to the speaker system and goosenecks, the goosenecks will range anywhere from \$ 12.00 to \$ 24.00. The Town can get JBL speakers for about a hundred dollars. Mr. McMahan did mention the ADA and will check into the law. Mr. McMahan stated that during their last meeting, the committee passed a motion to recommend to the BOC that they would like to hire a landscape designer for the gazebo. Mr. McMahan stated the committee discussed a lot of different uses for the gazebo and want to bring people together. Mr. McMahan stated that the Town can get kits from Home Depot for about two thousand dollars and it won't be the expense that some people thought it would be. Mr. McMahan mentioned the signature bricks. Mr. McMahan wanted to recommend to the Board the Town should go ahead with the purchase of the goosenecks and speakers.

COMMISSIONER DUNN MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE AND MOVE FORWARD WITH IMPLEMENTING THE INSTALLATION WITH WHAT THE COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED WITH A CEILING OF \$ 2,500.00 TOTAL AND IF IT WERE MORE THAN THAT THE COMMITTEE WOULD HAVE TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL. COMMISSIONER GOODENOUGH SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION ON CORRECTING OUR SOUND SYSTEM SO PEOPLE MAY HEAR WHAT IS GOING ON. Commissioner Russo stated that we need it. COMMISSIONER DUNN ASKED TO AMMEND HER MOTION TO INCLUDE THE PURCHASE OF A COUPLE OF HEADSETS. COMMISSIONER GOODENOUGH SECONDED THE AMMENDED MOTION. MAYOR SELBY ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE AMMEDED MOTION. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

HOA/POA Committee Report – Chairperson Bill Brennan commented on Litter Sweep and that DOT decided that our Town roads are covered and there won't be any Town involvement. There was a fire at Beacon Townes by the pool from a discarded cigarette. Mr. Brennan stated that the graphic sign was back up again. The Farm is still waiting for a response on the road repairs and Mayor Selby stated that survey of the data by the Sheriff's Department showed that the majority of the vehicles there were going the speed limit. At Calabash Lakes, they are still waiting to get their landscaping and road repairs separated so they can get their road repaired. In the Village of Calabash, they had a person who was burning brush and was asked not to do that. As he mentioned the ditch has been cleaned and the Village POA is still waiting to hear from Wayne's Backhoe to set up a meeting. Under old business, Chairperson Brennan stated that he and Mr. Gulliver asked to have a Board of Commissioners Meeting packet given to each HOA/POA member and that has been taken care of. Under new business, Peter Gulliver asked for a storm water stat list which has been done. Mr. Brennan discussed tree removal rules and regulations and if they would be unified. Also, stated that Mayor Selby said the Satellite Campus is on schedule.

Tree Committee Report - Mr. George Mulcahey member of the Tree Committee gave the February, 2011 report. Mr. Mulcaey stated there were a total of 16 permits, number of trees was 47, 0 denied and 0 appealed and there were four inspection days that month and 7 trees to be replaced.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Przywara – Stated that although there was a good crowd of people at the Public Hearing on county wide recycling, he only counted about five from the Farm. It was predominately Carolina Shores Subdivision and would like to have a survey done. Could have some fact compiled on a sheet with a simple yes or no answer so that the entire community can respond if they choose to. Wanted to know if Dave Pflaster could do something on the website.

Public Comment:

Don Hart, 52 Carolina Shores Drive – Budget item of storm water runoff, if you go back to the beginning when the Town first started there was the South Brunswick Sewer and Water Authority and they were going to take care of and maintain storm water runoff and we were charged nine dollars a quarter, thirty-six dollars a year until they were debunked and for good reason. At that time, the Town created their own storm water account. Originally it was sixty dollars per household per year and businesses were on a different schedule and on the tax bill there was a separate line item called storm water fee. About three or four years ago, it was decided that storm water account was rolled into the operating budget so you would no longer see a line item on the tax bill. Here's where the rub comes in, in his opinion, it became mandatory when the Town established and not just this Town, to have a long range, absolute, iron clad storm water run off project. He's not talking about the mowing of the ditches but the true maintenance of the integrity of the system. The system was designed by the Corps of Engineers and all the swales and ditches were given proper specifications so that the maximum amount of runoff could be handled. It was essential to have a long range plan. You should also maintain those specifications that were designed and doesn't feel that is being done and it scares him. It will determine what you will or won't get from FEMA as far as reimbursements. He wants the Town to get it back to the original specifications and use that plan at budget time. The Town needs to adhere to the plan and include it in the budget to accomplish that. The second thing is he feels it's absolutely ludicrous that the Town lets the vehicles sit out in the parking lot twenty four seven and the vehicles need to be housed.

Bill Brennan, 818 Watson Ave. - Agrees with the idea of the survey for recycling and stated that you would have to know what community is responding.

Jim Parsch, 1107 Captains Court – Mr. Parsch needed to bring a problem to the Mayor, Administrator and Board of Commissioners which he had brought before in the past. Mr. Parsch purchased his house in 2003 and at that time, the Town was not involved in any way with ordinances or inspections. In 2009, Ms. Herncane who was the Town Administrator at the time sent out an order that all the culverts needed to be inspected and his culvert was one that had to be cleaned. Then going back to 2003, when his culvert was put in, between his house and the house to the left of his there is a six inch space between the two culverts. There was no way he could get in there to clean it so he had to hire someone and he called the neighbor next door and he hired a guy who had a long pipe with a hook on it and it cost him \$ 100.00. The reason he's here is that he was told the swales were going to be taken care of by the Town and now his is back to where it was before and he doesn't want to be told again that he has to clean it out because the Town hasn't taken care of it. Also, last summer he filed a concern with Ms. Herncane about the main ditch behind his house and that the concern was the ditch hadn't been cleaned out in three years and he feels the Town was paying for it but it wasn't being done. There were trees that were three years old and Ms. Herncane sent the maintenance department out and they reported what he had stated and the Town hired a contractor to clean it out and all they did was take the trees out. There is a good two or three foot difference between his house and where the flow goes and he has water standing in the ditch and it needs to be checked and taken care of. Also, the gazebo and serenity garden is a waste of Carolina Shores taxpayer money and has talked to other town folks who feel the same way too. It's funny how one can find money for the gazebo and serenity garden but yet short the fire department about three

thousand dollars and how many people will actually drive here to sit in a gazebo or by a serenity garden and personally feel something like that should be out on a ballot and voted on by everyone.

Dan Mann, 77 Persimmon Road – Mr. Mann said to please remember back to last years retreat, he did a great deal of research into our problems and history of storm water management and related issues. Please don't forget the past so we don't repeat those errors and please remember the issues we've had to deal with outside agencies.

Peter Gulliver, Oakbark Court - Has a request and asked the mayor that before his meetings to please ask people to turn off their cell phones. It's rude to listen to them beeping. Budget request, when you address the budget line will you consider splitting the line items of roads and storm water into separate line items of their own. Mr. Gulliver wanted to thank Mike Hargett, Town Administrator for preparing an excellent comprehensive storm water report.

COMMISSIONER GOODENOUGH MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MARCH 10, 2011 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING. COMMISSIONER PRZYWARA SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE AND THE MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Stephen C. Selby, Mayor

Submitted by:
Nicole Marks
Deputy Town Clerk