

**TOWN OF CAROLINA SHORES  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
November 9, 2017  
2:00 p.m.**

Mayor Joyce Dunn called the November 9, 2017 meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and there was a moment of silence. Commissioners present: John E. Manning, Gere Dale, Mary Timothy, Greg Davis and Bill Brennan. Also, present: Jon Mendenhall, Town Administrator; Julie Munday, Finance Director and Nicole Hewett, Town Clerk.

Members Absent: None

Others Absent: None

**Agenda Adjustments:**

None

**Public Comment on Agenda Items:**

None

**Consent Agenda:**

COMMISSIONER BRENNAN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes September 14, 2017, October 2, 2017 and October 5, 2017; Closed Session Minutes October 2, 2017 and Emergency Meeting Minutes September 7, 2017

COMMISSIONER DAVIS SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR DUNN ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY DISCUSSION. MAYOR DUNN CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

**Administrative Reports:**

Mr. Mendenhall said he had nothing new to report but he believes there is a Public Works item on Monday that was carried over and would like to turn that over to Commissioner Dale. Commissioner Dale the hours of the Convenience Site have come up a number of times and he would like the Board's indulgence. Commissioner Dale said he has talked to probably fifty people who would like to see the hours expanded. Commissioner Dale said he thought perhaps the expansion of the hours should be in the late afternoon or evening but in talking with these people, they have suggested that we open the Recycle Center at 7:00 am everyday that it's open. Commissioner Dale said in other words, that means Tuesday and Thursday instead of opening at 9:00 a.m. that it be opened at 7:00 a.m. as it is on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday. Commissioner Dale said that would be an additional four hours. Commissioner Dale said with the number of cars we have in there and unfortunately, when we had the work at the Recycle Center for two or three weeks, we had several minor accidents and he hopes that was a result of reorganizing the traffic for what the limitations were. Commissioner Dale said but with the number of cars we

have it is a potential for accidents there. Commissioner Dale said in his opinion increasing the number of hours of four a week, it is a thing we need to do for our people. Commissioner Dale said that would amount in terms of paying the attendant approximately a \$1,000.00 a year. Commissioner Dale said he doesn't know if Waste Industries would be amendable to that modification. Commissioner Dale said if they are not, he would suggest that the Town consider a personal services contract for the individual and he thinks we need to do that. Commissioner Dale said he throws that out there for questions or discussion. Commissioner Manning said just those two days and Commissioner Dale said correct. Mayor Dunn said so it would be 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. instead of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Commissioner Dale said that is correct. Commissioner Dale said in other words, everyday the Recycle Center is open; it would be open at 7:00 a.m. Commissioner Dale said there still seems to be confusion on Tuesday and Thursday; people come up at 8:00 in the a.m. and they are upset because it is not open. Commissioner Dale said there are a lot of people that are old like me that can't adjust this sort of thing. Commissioner Davis said has it always been 9:00 a.m. on those days and Commissioner Dale said yes. Commissioner Dale said we have always had twenty-nine hours and regardless of what the hour configuration has been, ever since it's been open it has been twenty-nine hours and its still twenty-nine. Mayor Dunn said she received an email from a resident suggestion that when they do this, have a designated time for yard waste because that is the biggest part of the congestion. Commissioner Dale said he has thought about that and he is not in favor of that. Commissioner Dale said unfortunately when people clean up their yards and load up their vehicle, they want to go to the Recycle Center with that and they don't want to carry it around. Commissioner Dale said he really doesn't think that is a good idea and he think we would probably have more problems with congestion at least right now. Commissioner Dale said of course this a big yard waster time of the year right now. Commissioner Brennan said he is in complete agreement with Commissioner Dale's analysis. Commissioner Brennan said if you start telling people they can only bring yard waste in these hours and you can only bring your garbage in these hours, that is a problem and Commissioner Davis agreed. Commissioner Davis questioned Mr. Mendenhall about contacting Waste Industries. Mayor Dunn said there are two things with Waste Industries, would they be amicable in changing the hours and would they be willing to pay the attendant. Commissioner Dale said the amount we are talking about is slightly less than a \$1,000.00 per year. Mayor Dunn said they have a contract with us. Commissioner Brennan said is there an issue with the amount of hours with the status of their employee having to work more than twenty-nine hours in regards to status changing from a part-time employee to a full-time employee with benefits. There was discussion on the employee status and the contracts. It was the consensus of the Board to have Mr. Mendenhall gather more information on the contract regarding the extra hours and then bring that information back to the Board of Commissioners for further discussion.

**Public Hearings:**

None

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

None

**Public Comment:**

None

## **Finance Report:**

Ms. Julie Munday gave the Finance Report. Ms. Munday said the beginning balance was \$3,286,619.08 and the ending balance October 31, 2017 was \$3,397,811.06. Ms. Munday said we have used 33% of the budget in expenditures and we got 37% in revenues. Ms. Munday said the only thing she wanted to say was the Town received a check today from the Department of Public Safety for \$574,454.18 for Hurricane Matthew and of course, that falls back into last years budget. Ms. Munday said there was \$1.2 million spent on Hurricane Matthew. Ms. Munday said in last year's budget we collected about \$384,000.00, so we got \$959,058.63 recovered for Hurricane Matthew.

Mayor Dunn apologized for not being there on Monday and asked if the Board approved the canal contract and Mr. Mendenhall said yes, the Board did approve that. Mr. Mendenhall said the Records Policy was approved by the Board and will be sent to the State for their approval.

## **Mayor and Board of Commissioners Comments:**

Commissioner Davis – Commissioner Davis said for all those that voted Tuesday, thank you.

Commissioner Timothy – Commissioner Timothy said she would like to thank those that came out in the rain for the meeting. Commissioner Timothy said the Christmas Tree Lighting will be Saturday, November 25, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. Commissioner Timothy said there will be hot chocolate, Santa will be here and there will be caroling and homemade cookies.

Commissioner Manning – Commissioner Manning said he agrees with what Commissioner Davis said. Commissioner Manning said Commissioner Davis is the incumbent and he ran for re-election and former Commissioner Joe Przywara is replacing me on the Board as of this year. Commissioner Manning said he would like to invite everybody to the American Legion on Saturday for the Veteran's Day ceremony at 11:00 a.m. Commissioner Manning said since we won't meet and see you again, Happy Thanksgiving to everybody and have a safe enjoyable holiday. Thank you.

Mayor Dunn – Mayor Dunn said thank you for coming out to vote and we will miss Commissioner Manning.

Commissioner Dale – Commissioner Dale said he apologizes for missing the Monday meeting. Commissioner Dale said he did have the opportunity to read Laura Lewis's column in the newspaper about the meeting and he would like to make a couple of comments. Commissioner Dale said there was a discussion apparently about a ditch between two homes at 5 and 7 Sand Dollar Court and he's really confused because the article says: at a ditch between two homes at 5 and 7 Sand Dollar Court. Commissioner Dale said the problem is there is a huge ditch already between the two and the ditch needs to be piped, filled and so forth. Commissioner Dale said so he doesn't know if there was something lost in the translation but that's the way he read the article in the paper. Commissioner Dale said his other comment is regarding the individual that asked for signage over on Pinewood Drive about children. Commissioner Dale said he understands that the Board considered that and denied that and he would just like to officially add my report to that. Commissioner Dale said we don't need children playing in the street. Commissioner Dale said we don't need people walking in the street. Commissioner Dale said that goes back to my premise that we need to add off-road trails in the Town and we are obviously working on that. Commissioner Dale said his comment is that he applauds the Board for their decision on Monday. Thank you.

Commissioner Brennan – Commissioner Brennan said there is an issue which fell through the crack and that is the swearing in of the Commissioners.

Mayor Dunn said that incumbent Przywara can't be sworn in, in December and he can't be sworn in now because we need certification of the election. There was discussion on the process and Mr. Mendenhall read the State Statute.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS MADE A MOTION THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HOLD A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING ON NOVEMBER 22, 2017 AT 10:00 A.M. LOCATED AT TOWN HALL, 200 PERSIMMON ROAD, CAROLINA SHORES, NC 28467 FOR THE PURPOSE OF SWEARING IN ANY NEW COMMISSIONERS ALONG WITH THE ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD FOR 2018. COMMISSIONER BRENNAN SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR DUNN CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Commissioner Manning said technically this will be my last meeting. Commissioner Manning said he will make his comments now instead of coming back in December. Commissioner Manning said on behalf of his wife and himself, it was been an honor for the Town of Carolina Shores to have given me the opportunity to serve the Town. Commissioner Manning said he thinks this Board has accomplished a great deal in the four years he has been sitting. Commissioner Manning said we went through a 22 inch rain storm, Hurricane Matthew and a couple of other little activities. Commissioner Manning said we have accomplished a great deal on the ditches; cleaning them out and making them whole again. Commissioner Manning said we also got the County to cooperate and help us with Shingletree. Commissioner Manning said Brunswick Electric has put up extended new arms on a lot of the poles in the Town and that has helped. Commissioner Manning said for those that have been active or have come to various meetings and the Brunswick Beacon has reported on, he thinks this is a very workable Board. Commissioner Manning said God willing with former Commissioner Przywara coming back on again, everything will work as smoothly it did the last four years without any other problems. Commissioner Manning said and he thanks you again for giving him this opportunity for the second time to be your Commissioner, so thank you.

**Closed Session:**

None

**Adjournment:**

COMMISSIONER BRENNAN MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE NOVEMBER 9, 2017 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING. COMMISSIONER DAVIS SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR DUNN CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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Mayor

Submitted by:  
Nicole Hewett, Town Clerk