

**TOWN OF CAROLINA SHORES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 9, 2016
2:00 p.m.**

Mayor Joyce Dunn called the June 9, 2016 meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and there was a moment of silence. Commissioners Present: Mary Timothy, Gere Dale, John E. Manning, Greg Davis and Bill Brennan. Also Present: Jon Mendenhall, Town Administrator; Julie Munday, Finance Director and Nicole Marks, Town Clerk.

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 May 2, 2016 and May 5, 2016; Special Called Meeting April 26, 2016, May 16, 2016; Closed Session May 2, 2016, May 5, 2016 and May 16, 2016.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR DUNN CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Administrative Reports:

Mr. Mendenhall said he had nothing new to report.

Public Hearings:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Second Reading and Adoption of the FY 17 Budget:

COMMISSIONER DAVIS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF THE FY 17 BUDGET. COMMISSIONER MANNING SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR DUNN ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION. MAYOR DUNN CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE

Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance Establishing Uniform Addressing of Properties in the Corporate Limits:

COMMISSIONER DALE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 16-3 ESTABLISHING UNIFORM ADDRESSING OF PROPERTIES IN THE CORPORATE LIMITS. COMMISSIONER MANNING SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR DUNN ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION. MAYOR DUNN CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE

Consideration and Adoption of a Budget Amendment for the FY 16 Budget:

COMMISSIONER BRENNAN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 16-4 FOR THE FY 16 BUDGET. 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.

Public Comment:

Sharon Conway, 211 Carolina Farms Blvd. – Mrs. Conway said several months ago you may remember we came to a meeting to make the Town aware of a situation that is occurring at the Farm at Brunswick related to the peeling of the aluminum trim on our homes. Mrs. Conway said we currently have approximately 73 homes that have peeling aluminum trim and the number continues to grow. Mrs. Conway said D.R. Horton continues to maintain that even though they guarantee homeowners what they call maintenance free aluminum trim, that it is a maintenance issue. Mrs. Conway said originally the manufacturer had offered to replace the trim free of charge but that offer was rescinded when they discovered how many homes are involved. Mrs. Conway said she would like to invite any of you to see how bad the peeling is. Mrs. Conway said she believes any of the homeowner's would be more than willing to show what is happening to their homes. Mrs. Conway said subtracting the townhomes and the quads, there are 307 homes that could have this problem and about 20% - 25% have it. Mrs. Conway said she has received two more calls that once the homeowner power washed, they have discovered they also have a problem. Mrs. Conway said she just wanted to raise your level of awareness and we are not receiving any help and we all believe our homes are peeling. Mrs. Conway said when they went to sign the contract, they were asked to sign a document as to what is included and it indicated that the trim was maintenance free. Mrs. Conway said there are 43 of us who are looking into what they can do at this point. Mrs. Conway said we have one homeowner where the aluminum trim has worn away completely. Mrs. Conway said they did cost estimates when they thought the material was going to be free. Mrs. Conway said our home, which is one of the smaller homes could cost \$1,200.00 without having to purchase the material. Mrs. Conway said

one of the bigger homes that could cost about \$2,000.00. Mrs. Conway said the company was going to provide the material but when they realized how many homes were involved, they threw it back in our lap. Mrs. Conway said we received a letter that said we could contact the company and get the material free of charge and when people called verbally or through e-mail, they said it was not their problem and that's where we stand. Mrs. Conway said we are exploring what we can do and we are waiting on the information to come back on the samples from the lab. Thank you.

Ken Frost, 257 Downing Glen Place – Mr. Frost said he is here to collaborate what Mrs. Conway has said. Mr. Frost said D.R. Horton has given them no recourse and deny the problem exists. Mr. Frost said D.R. Horton is not honoring their commitment to the community. Mr. Frost said they have had some testing done on some samples. Mr. Frost said they have basically said it is a lack of maintenance on our part. Mr. Frost said we have the paperwork that we signed that says maintenance free.

Lynette Knowles, 20 Myrtlewood – Ms. Knowles said there are two things that she didn't hear mentioned today and the first thing is the road construction work on Pinewood. Ms. Knowles said even though there are signs out at each end, just to give you an example of how aggravating it is when she tried to get to Myrtlewood; she left this morning there was no work going on. Ms. Knowles said come back home, she gets up there and she has to turn around and come all the way back and you can't get by at times. Ms. Knowles said her suggestion is if there was a sign at each end saying what the last accessible road is you can get to before you go half way to try to get home. Ms. Knowles asked what was going to happen to the places that have been busted up on Myrtlewood. Ms. Knowles said just because she goes out a lot on the end of Thomasboro, when you are sitting at that stop sign down there, even though it's trimmed it's still hard to see to the left, if you could just cut it back a little bit more to make the traffic more visible that is coming. Ms. Knowles said just as a safety issue because sometimes she has to ease on out there. Ms. Knowles said now that hurricane season is here, there is worry about storms and rain and asked what the status on the DSIP is. Thank you.

Jim McDaniel, 14 1/2 Sunrise Court – Mr. McDaniel said that's correct, 14 ½ Sunrise Court. Mr. McDaniel said they came down the street the day before yesterday and they were putting paint down for the swales. Mr. McDaniel said they already had gone through and did the culvert and what he has been told is maybe next week; he doesn't know they might be doing swales, digging those out. Mr. McDaniel said if the swale doesn't get cleaned out, all that dirt will be back in the culvert. Mr. McDaniel said he appreciates you guys doing that and we just moved in, in January. Mr. McDaniel said we saw some new lights going up out here in the parking lot; is that because there are activities at night here? Mr. McDaniel asked if there were any Town meetings at night where working people can come. Thank you.

Mayor and Board of Commissioners Comments:

Commissioner Brennan – None

Commissioner Dale – Commissioner Dale said he voted to approve the budget but he wanted to raise a couple of questions. Commissioner Dale said we don't have a fee schedule in there; we have money in there for what used to be the old Business Privilege License which is now Business Registration. Commissioner Dale said we have now a revenue line in there but we don't have any fee schedule that he was able to determine, so has the Board made a decision that there is to be no fee schedule for new business registrations, not a concern; just a question. Commissioner Dale said to my knowledge, we discussed it but haven't actually made a decision

and there is kind of an implicit approval in the budget but he wants to ask that it be clarified. Mr. Mendenhall said Commissioner Dale, Section 60.06 in the Code of Ordinances establishes a fee of \$100.00 or pro-rated amount and read Section 60.06. Commissioner Dale said he thought the Board had discussion and that was an excessive amount and around \$20.00 was put out there. Commissioner Dale asked if the Board would have a problem revisiting this at the July Board meeting because if we are going to encourage business, we need to examine that and it certainly isn't a revenue stream for this Town. It was the consensus of the Board to re-visit Business Registration at the July Board meeting. Commissioner Dale said the second thing is that the Board eliminated the fee schedule for anybody who has a properly registered vehicle in the Town to use the Recycle Center with the new budget. Commissioner Dale asked if that is effective July 1, 2016 or can it be effective now because we already approved the budget for this next year. It was the consensus of the Board that the effective date is July 1, 2016. Commissioner Dale asked can we as of July 1, 2016 put a memo at the Recycle Center indicating this is now the new policy. It was the consensus of the Board to send this information out to the individual communities and to do a memo for the Recycle Center. Commissioner Dale said we approved the budget that calls for a Stormwater Study in this next years budget, a very expansive Stormwater Study and it's in the budget for \$250,000.00. Commissioner Dale said he would like to suggest that before we let any type of contract, that because of the amount of that, we bid that. Commissioner Dale said there are at least three entities that are capable of performing that and he thinks that we should responsibly bid that. Commissioner Davis asked Mr. Mendenhall because of the amount, do we have to bid that out and Mr. Mendenhall said no, you don't bid out Professional Service's work. Mr. Mendenhall said you have a professional under contract, it will be an issue. There was discussion on this item and it was the consensus of the Board to discuss this item at the July Board meeting.

Commissioner Manning – None

Commissioner Timothy – Commissioner Timothy said go to the beaches, she hasn't seen any sharks only dolphins, beaches are great, the water is perfect, go have fun. Commissioner Timothy said the Town picnic is September 25, 2016, it's a Sunday and they are still working on booking the college. Commissioner Timothy said the picnic is going to incorporate a craft show, fundraiser with desserts – cake walk and a low country boil from Jerome's. Commissioner Timothy said there will be games for kids so it will be family friendly. Commissioner Timothy said the volunteers that are working on this are doing a wonderful job and to put this date on your calendar, it will be fun.

Commissioner Davis – None

Mayor Dunn – Mayor Dunn said she wanted to tell everybody that she spent yesterday afternoon helping a neighbor who has been foreclosed on in a very unfortunate set of circumstances and had to move and had no money to do it. Mayor Dunn said she put out a call through Nextdoorcarolinashores to see if I could get her some volunteer help. Mayor Dunn said we had ten people from all over the Town who came forth with multiple trucks to help and we got this lady moved at no cost to her. Mayor Dunn said she just wanted to say thank you to the generosity of the volunteers in our Town and thank you to NextDoorcarolinashores which is a good resource for that sort of thing.

Closed Session:

None

Adjourn:

COMMISSIONER BRENNAN MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE JUNE 9, 2016 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING. COMMISSIONER MANNING SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR DUNN CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Mayor

Submitted by:
Nicole Marks, Town Clerk