

**TOWN OF CAROLINA SHORES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 9, 2011**

Mayor Stephen C. Selby called the June 9, 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

Approval of Agenda:

COMMISSIONER DUNN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CURRENT AGENDA. COMMISSIONER GOODENOUGH SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY DISCUSSION. COMMISSIONER PRZYWARA MADE A MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA BY MOVING THE PRESENTATION OF THE BRUNSWICK COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AFTER PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE AGENDA. COMMISSIONER DUNN WANTED TO MAKE A MOTION TO ADD TO THE AGENDA ABOVE THE TOWN ADMINISTRATORS REPORT THAT SHE WILL BE MAKING A MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS AN UPDATE ON A PERSONELL MATTER. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE ON THE AMMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Resolution Modifying 2011-12 Budget Ordinance to Add Contribution to Calabash EMS in the Amount of \$2,500.00:

COMMISSIONER PULS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION MODIFYING THE 2011-12 BUDGET ORDINANCE TO ADD CONTRIBUTION TO CALABASH EMS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500.00. COMMISSIONER DUNN SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Resolution Modifying 2011-12 Budget Ordinance to Increase Street Light Expenditure in the Amount of \$15,000.00:

COMMISSIONER PRZYWARA MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION MODIFYING THE 2011-12 BUDGET ORDINANCE TO INCREASE STREET LIGHT EXPENDITURE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000.00. COMMISSIONER RUSSO SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION.

MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Resolution Modifying the Longevity Policy:

COMMISSIONER PRZYWARA MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION MODIFYING THE LONGEVITY POLICY. COMMISSIONER RUSSO SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Approval of the 2011-12 Budget Ordinance as Modified, Final Vote:

COMMISSIONER GOODENOUGH MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2011-12 BUDGET ORDINANCE AS MODIFIED, FINAL VOTE. COMMISSIONER DUNN SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Gere Dale, 46 Calabash Drive – Mr. Dale said he had three items he wanted the Board of Commissioners to consider. Mr. Dale stated that the Board of Commissioners has debated over the past year about the Christmas party, longevity bonus and that the Board modified the 401K policy for Town employees and took that away. Mr. Dale said that the Board of Commissioners has haggled over the Calabash Fire Department contribution in particular the \$3,000.00 that was held back and that no money has been given to the Calabash EMS but he now sees that it has been approved. Mr. Dale wanted to know how that gels with the fifteen minutes spent at the budget workshop on Monday approving up to \$105,000.00 for the contractor to fix the roads that have been damaged by the \$335,000,000 spent over at the Village. The second item Mr. Dale wanted to discuss was the Mayor Selby's prayer before the meeting. Mr. Dale said although he approves of the prayer but objects top the fact that there was no prayer for the employee that has a very sick wife, she was not included even though the Mayor thought it fir to pray for his campaign manage in the past and the Town lost on April 24, 2011 a member of the Planning and Zoning Board and didn't hear any prayer of acknowledgment for him or his family or his service to the Town. Mr. Dale then stated that he was very happy to see the Sheriff's Department at the meeting. The speeding in this Town is unacceptable. Mr. Dale said out of the 100 cars that he observed, 76 were either speeding, failed to stop at a stop sign or did not use their directional light and something needs to be done. Mr. Dale said that he knew that the Mayor of Calabash and Mayor Selby had met to discuss cooperative efforts during an emergency event and any meeting on this topic should and must include the fire department as they would be involved.

Brunswick County Sheriff's Department Presentation:

Sergeant Bert Reaves from the Brunswick County Sheriff's Department attended the June 9, 2011 Board of Commissioners meeting to discuss and answer questions that the Board of Commissioners and residents of the Town proposed. Sergeant Reaves discussed the size of Brunswick County, manpower, radar, speeding in the Town, police presence, crime and citizens patrol. Sergeant Reaves left his cards and said that he could be contacted at any time concerning issues that may arise in the Town.

Consent Agenda:

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

- Approval – May 2, 2011 BOC Pre-Agenda Meeting Minutes
- Approval – May 5, 2011 BOC Regular Meeting Minutes
- Approval – May 5, 2011 Board of Commissioners 2011-12 Budget Public Hearing Minutes
- Approval – January 11, 2011 Special Called Meeting Minutes
- Approval – Authorizing Contracts for Street Light Installation at Persimmon Rd/Hwy 17 and Amending the 2010-11 Budget in the Amount of \$3,500.00
- Approval – Resolution Awarding Contract for Design Services for Town Hall Park and Amending the 2010-11 Budget in the Amount of \$5,500.00

COMMISSIONER DUNN SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY DISCUSSION. Commissioner Puls stated that he agreed with everything on the Consent Agenda except for the last bullet in regards to the park, pending further investigation. COMMISSIONER PULS MADE A MOTION TO AMMEND THE CONSENT AGENDA BY REMOVING THE APPROVAL OF THE RESOLUTION AWARDDING CONTRACT FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR TOWN HALL PARK AND AMENDING THE 2010-11 BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,500.00 PENDING FURTHER INVESTIGATION. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A SECOND. AS NO SECOND WAS MADE FOR THE AMMENDMENT OF THE CONSENT AGENDA, THE MOTION FAILED. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE ON THE CONSENT AGENDA AS IT STANDS AND MOTION CARRIED BY A FOUR TO ONE VOTE. COMMISSIONERS DUNN, GOODENOUGH, PRZYWARA AND RUSSO VOTED YES AND COMMISSIONER PULS VOTED NO.

Resolution Approving Change Order to the Palmer Drive Paving Contract and Amending the 2010-11 Budget:

COMMISSIONER PULS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CHANGE ORDER TO THE PALMER DRIVE PAVING CONTRACT AND AMENDING THE 2010-11 BUDGET. COMMISSIONER DUNN SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION. Commissioner Goodenough mentioned the fact about the thickness of the asphalt being decreased from two inches to an inch and a half. Mr. Hargett stated this change will include Palmer Drive as well. Commissioner Russo asked if the measure two inches was compressed to

an inch and a half and Wayne from Wayne's Backhoe said that was correct. Commissioner Goodenough didn't want to cut corners to save ten thousand dollars and then have to turn around and spend forty to fifty thousand later on to correct it. Mr. Hargett said that the Town Engineer, Aimee Drucker so far is in agreement with the change to one and a half inches of asphalt. Mr. Hargett mentioned that the amount would be up to \$105, 000.00. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE AND THE MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Resolution Authorizing Seasonal Part Time Employees to Perform Storm Water Ditch Maintenance:

COMMISSIONER DUNN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SEASONAL PART TIME EMPLOYEES TO PERFORM STORM WATER DITCH MAINTENANCE. COMMISSIONER RUSSO SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION. Commissioner Przywara asked why there were four applicants listed. Mr. Hargett stated it was so there were a pool of applicants to choose from so it wouldn't have to come back to the Board of Commissioners and that one applicant would currently be hired at this time. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Resolution Adopting the Updated Hazard Mitigation Plan for the Town of Carolina Shores (Presentation given by Jacob Vares, CFCOG):

COMMISSIONER DUNN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE UPDATED HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN FOR THE TOWN OF CAROLINA SHORES THAT WAS PREPARED BY JACOB VARES, CFCOG. COMMISSIONER RUSSO SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY ASKED FOR ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION. Commissioner Russo asked if wild fires or other disaster listed in the plan such as airplane crashes and Jacob Vares said that they were not covered. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE AND THE MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

COMMISSIONER DUNN MADE A MOTION TO GO INTO A SHORT EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS A PENDING LITIGATION MATTER. COMMISSIONER RUSSO SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

COMMISSIONER RUSSO MADE A MOTION TO GO BACK INTO THE REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING. COMMISSIONER DUNN SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

COMMISSIONER DUNN MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE MAYOR SELBY TO SIGN THE BRUNSWICK COUNTY DOCUMENT NUMBER 10CVS1745 ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF CAROLINA SHORES. COMMISSIONER GOODENOUGH SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION. MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE AND MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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

- Thanked the Board of Commissioners for the time and effort of the Board regarding the 2011-12 Budget.
- Update on violation of the removal of trees from the Carolina Shores POA

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

Ms. Munday thanked the Board of Commissioners for their approval of the 2011-12 Budget.

- General Fund Balance - \$1,896,790
- Total Expenses - \$62,272.58
- Total Revenues - \$152,785.89
- Total CD's - \$2,000,000
- 2010 Property Taxes Collected - \$2,572
- Building Permit Revenue - \$2,939

Communication Committee Report – Chairperson Dave McMahon said that the committee discussed putting together a communications plan in regards to the Serenity Garden/Gazebo to keep people informed of the progress. Mr. McMahon said that in regards to the RFP, the selection committee narrowed it down to two consultants and they went with Smith 2 Architecture and Design and they gave the best presentation and had the best price.

HOA/POA Committee Report – Chairperson Bill Brennan said at the committee meeting Beacon Townes reported paving marking being done. Carolina Shores had nothing to report. The Farm reported the fact that Brunswick County will still spray this year for mosquitoes, getting the roads turned over to the Town is still a concern and a Sheriff from the Brunswick County Sheriff's Department came to The Farm to discuss mail scams and forming a neighborhood watch program. Calabash Lakes reported they were still waiting for progress on the trees and roads. Lighthouse Cove reported that the Sheriff's Department has been patrolling on a regular basis and the residents all chipped in to get some mowing done but there is still a lot more to be done and mice and snakes are still an issue. The Lighthouse Cove foreclosure has been postponed and the residents are frustrated. The Village reported that the paving process is still in progress.

Tree Committee Report - Mr. George Mulcahey member of the Tree Committee gave the May, 2011 report. Mr. Mulcahey stated there were a total of 12 permits, number of trees approved 23, replaced 1, 8 denied and 0 appealed and there were four inspection days.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Puls – None

Commissioner Russo – None

Commissioner Przywara – Thanked Mike Hargett, Town Administrator for the process of using resolutions pertaining to the budget. It gives a clear understanding and it's an easy tracking system.

Commissioner Goodenough – None

Commissioner Dunn – None

Mayor Selby - Discussed the issue of the letter that was brought up at the Board of Commissioners Workshop on Monday, June 6, 2011 regarding a letter that was sent from the Town of Carolina Shores to a resident in regards to speeding and driving under the influence. Mayor Selby wanted to assure the Commissioners that it was not sent by him and the signature is not his and that he now had a copy of the letter and they could look at it. Mayor Selby apologized to the resident for the letter being sent out on behalf of whoever sent the letter. It is not on Town letterhead, he was out of Town when the letter was postmarked. Mayor Selby said it is unanimous by the people that have reviewed it that it was not sent by him.

Public Comment:

Mrs. Louise McGarva, 17 Calabash Drive – Mrs. McGarva said that they have a good idea where the letter came from and she knew that Mayor Selby did not send the letter. The accusations were directed to her son who is a fireman and feels he deserves an apology.

Gere Dale, 46 Calabash Drive – Mr. Dale said that the Town should send an apology letter to the McGarva's as their son is a valuable member of the Fire Department and that the Town was not involved in this letter. Mr. Dale said he spoke to Brunswick County in regards to mosquito spraying and they said that anybody who has a concern should send a letter to Congressman McIntyre and hopes the Town and Commissioners will also send a letter to him.

COMMISSIONER DUNN MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN JUNE 9, 2011 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING. COMMISSIONER GOODENOUGH SECONDED THE MOTION. MAYOR SELBY ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY DISCUSSION. . MAYOR SELBY CALLED FOR A VOTE AND THE MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Stephen C. Selby, Mayor

Submitted by:
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Deputy Town Clerk