



TOWN OF HOLDEN BEACH
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING
HOLDEN BEACH TOWN HALL – PUBLIC ASSEMBLY
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.

1. Invocation
2. Call to Order/ Welcome
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Agenda Approval **Approved as amended. Moved item #14 to after item #7.**
5. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 17, 2017 **Approved.**
 - b. Minutes of the Special Meeting of January 23, 2017 **Approved.**
6. Public Comments on Agenda Items **Three members of the public spoke regarding peddling on the beach. All were opposed to changing the current ordinance. One member discussed the importance of getting the new Flood Maps in place ASAP because of the substantial cost savings. He also spoke in favor of the “piggy-back” dredge project (item #13).**
7. Police Report – Chief Wally Layne **Break-ins have increased, there have been six in the last month. All have been between 200 OBW – 900 OBW, on the oceanfront, and at rental homes. The thieves are targeting flat screens. The break-ins are occurring throughout the County and on all area beaches. There are no suspects at this time. The chief recommended that owners of homes that are not occupied in the winter consider installing a security system. ATMC offers this for \$17/month.**
8. Discussion and Possible Approval of Resolution 17-01, Resolution Urging Action on the FEMA Flood Map Process – Commissioner Freer **Approved as amended. The resolution was amended to reflect the August 2014 dates.**
9. Guest Speaker: Sellers Family - Owners of Sunset Slush - Sell Italian Ice on the Beach Strand (Mayor Pro Tem Fletcher and Commissioner Freer) **The owners of Sunset Slush discussed why they want to sell Italian ice on the beach strand and what could be done to make sure the beach experience is enhanced, not degraded. No action was taken.**
10. Discussion and Possible Action on Ordinance 17-01, An Ordinance Enacting and Adopting a Supplement to the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Holden Beach, North Carolina (Supplement 15) – Town Clerk Finnell **Approved. This was a housekeeping issue.**
11. Discussion and Possible Approval of Solid Waste Contract Between the Town and Waste Industries – Town Manager Hewett **The contract was approved 4-1 with changes suggested by the Town Attorney. Commissioner Kyser voted against the motion due to concerns about yard waste pick up.**

12. Discussion and Possible Approval of Resolution 17-02, Resolution Approving the Brunswick County Greenway, Bike Routes and Paddle Trail Plan – Shoreline Protection and Recreation Manager Ferguson **Approved unanimously.**
13. Discussion and Possible Approval of Lockwood Folly Dredging Piggyback Project – Shoreline Protection and Recreation Manager Ferguson **The project will place dredging spoils from the Lockwood Folly Inlet on the beach strand between 240 OBE and Amazing Grace, the last house on the east end oceanfront. It will piggy-back on the Corps of Engineers dredging activities, adding a total 120,000cy of sand. The State will cover 2/3 of the cost and the County will split the remaining third with the Town. Total cost of the project is \$465,000, but the Town's portion would only be \$76,000.**
 - a. Ordinance 17-02, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 16-12, The Revenues and Appropriations Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2016 – 2017 (Amendment No. 3) **Approved unanimously.**
14. Guest Speaker: Mike Sullivan - Holden Beach Property Owners Association – FEMA Flood Maps (Mayor Pro Tem Fletcher and Commissioner Freer) **HBPOA Board Member Mike Sullivan addressed the Board of Commissioners on the urgency of getting the new flood maps put in place. The new maps will benefit 92% of properties. In addition, 1225 properties currently rated VE will move to the lower risk AE rating, saving thousands of dollars per property each year. He discussed how the maps were first presented in August 2014 and they are still not in place. He asked the BOC to follow up with elected officials and asked what the public can do to expedite the process.**
15. Discussion and Possible Action on Developing Regulations on Shark Fishing – Mayor Pro Tem Fletcher **Shark fishing is an issue at Oak Island. Commissioner Fletcher would like to see this restricted at Holden. The Town Attorney reported that fishing can't be restricted but chumming possibly could be. She will investigate.**
16. Town Manager's Report **Manager Hewett reported that the Central Reach project is 65% complete and has cleared the pier. Hope for using the current dredges to place the FEMA –Matthew losses is looking less likely. The picnic shelter at Bridgeview Park broke ground and should be complete April 1st. Work continues on the Sewer Vulnerability report, deliverable expected at the end of March. Hurricane decals are normally sent with the February water bills. Only two will be sent this year, which changes the Fee Schedule and this must be approved by the BOC. The decals should be in the April bill. The budget workshop will be March 15 at 9:00am.**
17. Mayor's Comments **Mayor Holden commented that the current sand project is a good thing for the island. He also thinks the Town needs to hire a lobbyist. He also expressed anger over a BOC member attending a closed meeting.**
18. Board of Commissioners' Comments **Mayor Pro Tem Fletcher thanked people for attending and asked the Mayor why previous Boards had not hired a lobbyist. Commissioner Royal wants to protect the island as it exists. He is also interested in changing the terms of commissioners to four years and staggering the Board. Commissioner Freer thanked the HBPOA for working with him on the flood map issues. Commissioner Isenhour thanked the Town Staff for their hard work, especially on the Valentines dance. Commissioner Kyser is concerned about yard waste and would like input on it from citizens.**
19. Public Comments on General Items **A member of the public spoke in favor of having Sunset Slush vend on the beach strand. Another member recommended that while McIntyre was our representative for many years, Rouzer is now and we should be in touch with him. She also stated that the County-wide beach consortium was a good idea. Another member of the public expressed support for staggered terms of office, and another member wants yard debris pick up.**

20.Executive Session to Discuss a Personnel Matter Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11(a)(3) **No Action Taken**

21.Adjournment