

CAROLINA BEACH

Regular Town Council Minutes
Tuesday, December 10, 2019 @ 6:30 PM
Council Chambers
1121 N. Lake Park Boulevard
Carolina Beach, NC 28428

ASSEMBLY

The Town of Carolina Beach Regular Town Council meeting was held on Tuesday, December 10, 2019, at 6:30 PM at Council Chambers.

PRESENT: Mayor Joe Benson, Mayor Pro Tem Tom Bridges, Council Member LeAnn Pierce, Council Member Steve Shuttleworth, and Council Member JoDan Garza

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Interim Town Manager Ed Parvin, Town Clerk Kim Ward, and Town Attorney Noel Fox

1. MAYOR BENSON CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER FOLLOWED BY AN INVOCATION FROM THE HONORABLE JUDGE JAMES H. FAISON III

2. PRESENTATION OF COLORS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY THE GIRL SCOUTS

3. ADOPT THE AGENDA

Mayor Benson recognized several special guests in attendance before making a motion to adopt the agenda.

ACTION: Motion to adopt the agenda without objections.

Motion: Joe Benson

Vote: UNANIMOUS

4. RECOGNITION OF OCEAN CURE

a. Mayor Benson presented a plaque to Ocean Cure Founder Kevin Murphy and his team.

5. RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING COUNCIL

a. Mayor-Elect Pierce, Council Member Garza, and Mr. Parvin recognized the following:

- Mayor Pro Tem Bridges (2013, 2015-2019)
- Council Member Shuttleworth (2011-2019)
- Mayor Benson (2017-2019)

6. ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE BY JUDGE JAMES H. FAISON III

a. The following took the oath of office:

- Mayor-Elect LeAnn Pierce
- Council Member-Elect Lynn Barbee
- Council Member-Elect Jay Healy

7. ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE

a. Discussion of Vacant Council Seat

Mayor Pierce asked if there were any nominations to fill the last two years of the unexpired Council seat vacated by her election to Mayor. Council Member Barbee made a motion to appoint outgoing Council Member Shuttleworth.

Council Member Garza said he wanted to discuss an application process. He said most people were in favor of this before the outcome of the last election, and he still is.

Council Member Healy said the new Council could benefit from outgoing Council Member Shuttleworth's experience and knowledge of urgent issues. Due to the time it would take for an application process and the closeness of the results in the last election, Council Member Healy said he would support the nomination of outgoing Council Member Shuttleworth.

Mayor Pierce said she was also concerned about how long an application process would take and the importance of pressing issues. She agreed that outgoing Council Member Shuttleworth's experience would be an asset to the new Council.

ACTION: Motion to appoint Steve Shuttleworth to the vacant seat on Council.

Motion: Lynn Barbee

Vote: 3-1, with Council Member Garza opposing

Council Member Shuttleworth took the oath of office from Judge Faison.

b. Appointment of Mayor Pro Tem

ACTION: Motion to appoint Jay Healy as Mayor Pro Tem.

Motion: LeAnn Pierce

Vote: UNANIMOUS

c. Council Liaison Committee Appointments

Mayor Pierce requested the following appointments:

- Cape Fear Council of Governments and New Hanover County Tourism Development Authority, Mayor Pierce
- Carolina Beach/Kure Beach Sewer Authority, Council Member Garza and Council Member Barbee
- New Hanover County Transportation Authority, Mayor Pierce
- Wilmington/New Hanover Port, Waterway & Beach Commission, Council Member Shuttleworth
- Carolina Beach Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee, Mayor Pierce
- Carolina Beach Business and Economic Development Committee, Council Member Barbee
- Carolina Beach Canal Driving Flooding Committee, Council Member Shuttleworth
- Carolina Beach Freeman Park Committee, Council Member Shuttleworth
- Carolina Beach Harbor Commission, Mayor Pro Tem Healy
- Carolina Beach Marketing Advisory Committee, Council Member Garza
- Carolina Beach Operations Advisory Committee, Council Member Garza

- Carolina Beach Parks and Recreation Committee, Mayor Pro Tem Healy
- Carolina Beach Police Advisory Committee, Council Member Barbee

8. CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were included on the consent agenda:

- a. Budget amendments and transfers including Ordinance 19-1130 creating a capital ordinance for the Hamlet Bathroom/Ocean Rescue Facility and 3 Carolina Beach Avenue South projects.
- b. Set a public hearing for January 14, 2020 to amend Article VIII. - Sign Regulations to address Reed V Gilbert
- c. Set a public hearing for January 14, 2020 to amend Article III. section 40-72 & Article IX section 40-261– to remove permanent and temporary commercial parking lots, from the table of uses
- d. Set a Public Hearing for January 14, 2020 for a Conditional Use Permit at Carolina Beach Marina and Yacht Club to operate a floating bar located at 401 Marina St. Pin # 313115.64.8036.000 Applicant: Chad Cooke

ACTION: Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion: LeAnn Pierce

Vote: UNANIMOUS

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

10. NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

11. ADJOURN TO RECEPTION IN THE ATRIUM

Mayor Pierce made a motion to adjourn to the atrium for a reception at 7:05 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Approved 1/14/2020

Kimberlee Ward, Town Clerk