



BOC ACTIONS WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2024

- 1.** Call to order - Mayor Cahoon called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. He recognized former Comr. Anna Sadler, former Mayor Bob Muller, and Kill Devil Hills Comr. Terry Gray in the audience.
- 2.** Agenda – The Board approved the June 5th agenda as presented.
- 3.** Recognition

INTRODUCTION OF LIFEGUARDS - Ocean Rescue Director Chad Motz introduced the 2024 summer season lifeguards via a video which was well received.

NEW EMPLOYEES - Public Services Director Nancy Carawan introduced new Sanitation Equipment Operator Kevin Goudy and Planning Director Kelly Wyatt introduced new Planner Greg Daisey who were both welcomed by the Board to Town employment.

TWENTY YEARS – Planning Director Kelly Wyatt introduced Permitting Coordinator Lily Nieberding who was recognized for twenty years of service.

PRESENTATION – Finance Officer/Dep Town Manager Amy Miller introduced Tax Collector Linda Bittner who was recognized as Outstanding Tax Collector of 2024 from the NC Tax Collectors’ Association.

PRESENTATION - 2024 Town Lightkeeper - Mayor Cahoon summarized the history behind the Lightkeeper award – Bob Muller was awarded the Lightkeeper of the Town for 2024 and joined the list of Town Lightkeepers which began in 2000 with Carl Nunemaker.

PRESENTATION - 2024 Nags Header - Mayor Cahoon summarized the history behind the Nags Header award – Lillie Daniels “Doll” Gray was awarded the Nags Header of the Town for 2024 and joined the list of Town Nags Header recipients which began in 2005 with Nellie Myrtle Midgette Pridgen.

4. Public Comment

PUBLIC COMMENT – ANN CABELL-BAUM – She is one of Carolista Baum’s children who ran home to tell her mother that a bulldozer operator was behind the sand dunes – that began the movement to save Jockey’s Ridge from development; next summer Jockey’s Ridge State Park celebrates its 50th birthday with a four-day celebration (June 5-8); she asked the Board to please participate and to continue to support the efforts of the park.

PUBLIC COMMENT – BOB MULLER – He displayed an image on the screen of a silk screen done in the 1973-1974 timeframe which now hangs in the Mayor’s office – this was the first piece of art in the Town’s art collection and was given to the Town in appreciation of its support of Jockey’s Ridge State Park; he asked the Board to support the 50th celebration with an allocation and participation in the events.

PUBLIC COMMENT – ANNA SADLER - In 1968 it was an awesome sight to see the sand dunes from her oceanfront house; Carolista Baum should be thanked and celebrated for what she did to save the dunes. She also thanked

the Public Works Dept as they go above and beyond their jobs; from Oct to the end of Apr if you put your debris in the right-of-way, the Town will pick it up. Other areas do not do this and she is thankful that Nags Head does.

- 5.** Consent Agenda - The Consent Agenda was approved as presented and consisted of the following:
 - Consideration of Budget Amendment #12 to FY 23/24 Budget
 - Consideration of Tax Adjustment Report
 - Approval of minutes (May 1st Regular Session; May 21st Recessed Session; May 21st Budget Workshop)
 - Annual write-off of uncollectible water accounts
 - Request approval Moffat & Nichol/McKim & Creed for annual beach monitoring survey and analysis
 - Consideration of Personnel Policy update
 - Consideration of change order for dune grass plantings part of Coastal Storm Damage Mitigation Grant
 - Request for Public Hearing - NC Public Beach and Coastal Waterfront Access grant application

- 6.** Public Hearing to consider citizen comment on the Town Manager's proposed operating budget for July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025, and additional documents – The Board passed motions to approve the following documents as presented:
 - Pay Plan (Salary Schedule/Grade List)
 - Organizational Chart
 - Capital Improvement Project Requests for FY 24/25 through FY 28/29
 - Consolidated Fee Schedule
 - FY 24/25 Budget Ordinance
 - Capital Investment Fund Policy

- 7.** Public Hearing – Text amendment to prohibit driving or parking on residential septic systems - The Board passed a motion to adopt the ordinance prohibiting driving or parking on residential septic areas as presented.

- 8.** Public Hearing - Text amendment submitted by Jernigan Oil Company, Inc. - The Board passed a motion to adopt the ordinance to allow LED, digital displays for fueling stations as presented.

- 9.** Planning Dept Report - Planning Director Kelly Wyatt summarized her monthly report. Board members thanked Ms. Wyatt for her and her staff's hard work.

- 10.** From March 6th Board meeting – Town Manager Garman presented and reviewed with Board members the amendments made to the Multi-Family Ordinance by the Multi-Family Ordinance Working Group. Working Group member Comr. Brinkley stated that the conversation during the meetings was enlightening, and everyone brought something to the table; Comr. Lambert agreed and thanked staff as well as the Planning Board for their work on this issue. It was Board consensus to move forward to the Planning Board with the proposed ordinance as presented.

- 11.** Committee reports –
Comr. Brinkley – Jennette's Pier Advisory Committee met last week; a few highlights: 7,500 students from 88 field trips have visited the park so far this spring; a full time Wildlife Stranding Director is now on staff; the Research Building at the end of the pier is getting a new roof to allow for additional research equipment.

Mayor Pro Tem Siers – The second meeting of the Dare County Workforce Housing Task Force is this Friday; in response to Mayor Cahoon, he said that the Event site soundside boardwalk is in a new design phase.

Comr. Lambert – There is nothing new from the Government Access Channel Committee; Mayor Cahoon mentioned that they continue to produce high quality work.

- 12.** Disaster Debris contracts - The Board approved the renewal agreements for Disaster Debris Removal and Monitoring as presented. This includes authorization for the Town Manager to execute the renewal agreements

with DRC Emergency Services and with DebrisTech, LLC.

13. Town Manager Garman - Town Engineer Ryan provided the latest update on the new Public Services Facility; Water Distribution building is next up for occupation and is expected the week of May 17th.

14. Town Manager Garman – Town Engineer Ryan presented an overview of a framework for traffic calming measures based on what other municipalities have done. He requested Board direction.

Comr. Brinkley feels that you can't go strictly off data and that community input is needed – if all town streets are included, how would you gauge community support; he appreciated all the information provided.

Mayor Cahoon said that he feels the measures should apply to all Town streets; speed signs do help slow people down and he likes the feedback provided from them; he would like to see more electronics being used than speed cushions; small median pavement lane is very effective in a neighborhood in Durham and is more decorative than speed cushions as long as trash trucks, emergency vehicles can get around them - he would like to see it tried in a neighborhood here to see the response. Engineer Ryan agreed and stated that while there are some limitations in the Town, he would like to explore the functionality of a small median pavement lane which would be more esthetically pleasing. He appreciated the Board's comments.

15. Town Manager Garman - Deputy Fire Chief Shane Hite summarized the 2024 Town Fireworks display; Zambelli is conducting the fireworks for July 4th at 9:25 pm at Nags Head Fishing Pier. The rain date is July 5th.

16. Comr. Bob Sanders – The Board passed a motion to authorize a \$15,000 contribution to the Jockey's Ridge State Park 50th Anniversary celebration next year and to approve the Budget Amendment as presented.

17. Comr. Kevin Brinkley – Comr. Brinkley said that he was contacted by a resident of Soundside Road – the new sign at the Soundside Road Jockey's Ridge State Park Access does not include the Town's information. He questioned the status of the Memorandum of Understanding. Nothing has been done at the Park local level. It was Board consensus to move this issue/MOU forward by contacting the Director of State Parks, Brian Strong.

18. Comr. Megan Lambert – She thanked the Town's Fire and Police Depts - as well as those assisting - who kept everything under control after the accident on US 158 this week. It generated a lot of concern on social media; by all accounts staff handled/coordinated the rescues/traffic in an exemplary manner.

19. Closed/Open Session - The Board entered Closed Session to consider a personnel issue and to discuss the possible acquisition of real property located at 4222 S Croatan Highway; the time was 11:20 a.m. The Board re-entered Open Session at 11:59 a.m.

20. Adjournment - The Board recessed to the ribbon cutting at the new Public Services Facility scheduled for 12:30 p.m. The time was 12:01 p.m.