



BOC ACTIONS
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2020

1. Call to order - Mayor Cahoon called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
2. Agenda - The Board approved the December 2nd agenda as presented.
3. Recognition:

a) Dep Planning Director Andy Garman introduced Interim Public Works Director Terry Haugen who was welcomed by the Board.

b) 2020 Earl Murray Jr Employee of the Year Award - The following nominees were present: Fire Captain John Kenny; Police Officer Brandon Bostwick; Planning Office Assistant Kim Thompson; and Tax Collector Linda Bittner. Sanitation Equipment Operator Anthony Beasley was unable to attend.

Mayor Cahoon announced Fire Captain John Kenny as the 2020 Earl Murray Jr Employee of the Year; Mayor Cahoon presented a plaque and gift card to Captain Kenny and gift cards to all nominees.

c) Presentation - Terry Gray, Dare County Motorcycle Toy Run, spoke of the successes this year in spite of the COVID-19 pandemic to include various partnerships; Funds collected stay in Dare County; he thanked the Board for the assistance from the Police Dept who represent the Town very well. On behalf of the Board, Mayor Cahoon thanked Mr. Gray for what he and his organization do for the children.

4. Public Comment - There were no Public Comments received for today's meeting.
5. Consent Agenda - The Consent Agenda was approved as presented and consisted of the following:

Consideration of Budget Adjustment #6 to FY 20/21 Budget

Approval of minutes

Consideration of resolutions approving financing terms - refinancing current loans at a lower interest rate

Request for Public Hearing - Unified Development Ordinance amendments pertaining to Furniture Store

6. Update from Planning Director - Director Zehner reviewed several items with the Board.

- Corner lot setback amendment - Director Zehner concurred with the Board to include corner lot setbacks request for Public Hearing on the December mid-month meeting agenda with a Public Hearing in January.

- It was noted that staff is awaiting a response from the Board on residential stormwater rules and non-conforming hotels/fishing piers. A definition of "legacy" is to be provided by staff for review.

- Staff is to provide an update on the residential oceanfront sand fencing/beach grass project at the December mid-month meeting - to include financing details. Related to that, Mayor Cahoon asked for an update of how the hay bales have performed.

7. From Nov 4th - The Board adopted the resolution opposing the installation of additional power poles on US 158 by Dominion Energy as presented. In addition, staff is to follow up on power poles that are located in CAMA-designated areas.

- 8.** From Nov 4th - The Board appointed the following to the Jockey's Ridge State Park Soundside Access ad-hoc committee: Megan Vaughan, Bobbie Murray, Joy Greenwood, Michael Zehner, Phil Webster and Mayor Pro Tem Siers.
- 9.** Coastal Storm Damage Mitigation - Water Resources Development Grant Resolution - The Board adopted the resolution as presented.
- 10.** Moffat & Nichol Post-Dorian beach restoration contract task order for performance of hydrographic survey and data evaluation - The Board approved this task order in the amount of \$32,286 as presented.
- 11.** Appointments - The Board unanimously appointed Bettye White to the vacant position on the Arts and Culture Committee.
- 12.** Attorney Leidy - His Closed Session items were deferred to the appropriate time in the meeting.
- 13.** Interim Town Manager Sparks - His Closed Session item was deferred to the appropriate time in the meeting.
- 14.** Interim Town Manager Sparks - He summarized for the Board what has been initiated in the Town Hall and all Town offices for COVID-19 safety and discussed the State Health and Human Services COVID-19 County Alert System. It was Board consensus that staff find out from other local governments, either by direct contact or via the NC League of Municipalities/School of Government, what they are doing re: COVID-19 enforcement.
- 15.** Mayor Pro Tem Siers - The area's demographics are changing and he would like to see the Town be proactive; as the community becomes more of a year-round rather than weekly rental community he feels the Town will see less occupancy tax along other impacts such as increased traffic, water usage, etc.
- 16.** Comr. Renée Cahoon - It was Board consensus to prioritize speaking with NCDOT concerning a more noticeable sign, such as a flashing sign, to identify the 45 MPH speed limit for vehicles coming off the Washington Baum Bridge into Nags Head; and to prioritize looking into automated signage that would inform the public of flooding conditions.
- 17.** Mayor Cahoon - Mayor Cahoon read an article by author Rebecca Ryan entitled "Look Forward and Move Forward" which emphasizes the importance of using the year 2020 as a motivation for the future.
- 18.** Mayor Cahoon - The Board unanimously approved a motion to formally approve gift cards in the amount of \$260 for each full-time employee; \$130 for each part-time employee; and \$20 for each employee for a Food Lion turkey/ham.
- 19.** Closed Session - The Board passed a motion to enter Closed Session at 10:15 a.m.
- 20.** Open Session - The Board re-entered Open Session at 11:38 a.m.
- 21.** Adjournment - the Board recessed to a Board meeting on Dec 16, 2020 at 9 am in the Board Room.