

VILLAGE OF BALD HEAD ISLAND
Regular Meeting
June 16, 2006

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Larry Lammert, Mayor Pro Tempore Andy Sayre and Councilors Gene Douglas and Art Morris.

Councilmembers Absent: Councilor John Pitera.

Staff Present: Interim Village Manager Gus Ulrich, Planning Director/Assistant Village Manager Chris McCall, Police Chief Richard Herring, Chief Chip Munna, Building Inspector Stephen Boyett, Public Works Director Ben Liddle, Finance Director Shelia Boyd, Tax Administrator Dawn Reno, Utilities Director Ken Bowling Village Attorney Charles Baldwin and the Village Clerk Amy Candler recording the meeting.

Others Present: Bald Head Island Limited Director of Communications Joyce Fulton and Hillary Snow with the State Port Pilot.

Citizens Present: Dick Johnston, Marilyn Ridgeway, Pat Lammert, Bob Portor

1. Call to Order/Approval of Agenda Mayor Lammert

Mayor Lammert called the June 16, 2006 Regular meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. Mayor Lammert asked for amendments to the regular meeting agenda. Councilor Douglas made a motion to move agenda item 2.6 to 4.2. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. **(Motion carried 5-0)**

2. Consent Agenda

- 2.1 Approval of Minutes May 2, 2006, Special Meeting
May 19, 2006, Regular Meeting
May 19, 2006, Worksession Meeting

2.2 Consideration and Approval of the Annual Audit Contract—Brock, Padgett, & Chandler, PLLC

Ordinances

- 2.3 An Ordinance Establishing the Capital Project Fund for the Completion of Modifications and/or Improvements to the Infiltration Pond System (Lagoons) and the Discharge of Treated Effluent from the Village Utilities Wastewater Treatment Plant

Budget Transfer

- 2.4 An Amendment to facilitate the funds to the Capital Project Fund for improvements/modifications to the Lagoon System
- 2.5 An Amendment to cover the unanticipated expenses relating to the repairs of the primary fire engine and to replace a heat pump and coils at the Fire Station

Mayor Lammert advised that the consent agenda consists of the minutes from the past months meetings, the contract for the annual audit, which increased approximately 4% due to the addition of the Utility Department and various budget amendments dealing with the lagoons and repairs to the fire engine. Councilor Morris made a motion to

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approve the consent agenda. In a voice vote, with Councilor Pitera being absent, all voted in favor.

3. Old Business

3.1 Update on Various Beach Meetings

Mayor Lammert advised that there is a shortfall in President's budget for sand for Bald Head Island's beaches. He further advised that the Council will have a meeting next week with Director of the North Carolina Ports Authority and at that time the Village will ask for the Ports support for the funding. Mayor Lammert asked that the citizens write their Senators asking for the \$7M of additional funding for the Wilmington District of the Corps for maintenance dredging of the channel.

Ordinances

3.2 Consideration and Approval of the Proposed 2006-2007 Fiscal Year Budget Ordinance (*public hearing held May 19, 2006*)

Councilor Douglas made a motion to approve the 2006-2007 Fiscal Year Budget as presented. In a voice vote, with Councilor Pitera being absent, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 4-0) Budget-dd-motion

4. New Business

4.1 Financial Statement-May, 2006—*Shelia Boyd*

Ms. Boyd reported that the Village has collected \$25,000 more this year in Accommodation Tax revenue than at the same time last year. She further advised that the Village also received the FEMA reimbursements for Hurricane Isabel during the month of May. Ms. Boyd reported that she has also moved money to the beach fund that was approved at the May meeting. She further advised that the major expense during the month of May was the spring paving project.

Resolutions

4.2 Consideration and Approval of a Preliminary Resolution Indicating the Intent of the Village Council to Extend the Sewer System and Assess the Cost Against Land Assessable Therefor and Setting a Public Hearing to Consider the Question

Mayor Lammert read the preliminary resolution to extend the Village sewer system. He advised that a public hearing will be held at the July 14, 2006 Village Council Meeting in regard to the extension of the sewer system. Mayor Pro Tempore Sayre made a motion to approve the preliminary resolution. In a voice vote, with Councilor Pitera being absent, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 4-0)

4.3 Avian Bird Flu Presentation—*Chief Munna*

Chief Munna made a brief presentation regarding the Avian Bird Flu. He reviewed preventative measures as well as added tips as to what to do if infected.

5. Committee Reports

5.1 Beach

Anne Kane

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In the absence of Ms. Kane, Councilor Douglas reported that Mr. McCall is spearheading the Beach Vitex Project. He further advised that the Village along with the Conservancy has hired interns that have been trained by David Nash to assist in the removal of this deadly plant. Councilor Douglas reported that Bald Head Island was the first beach in Brunswick County to develop a plan to eliminate the Vitex from our beaches but other coastal communities within the County are now jumping on the bandwagon.

5.2 Finance

John Knott

There was nothing to report from the Finance Committee at this time.

5.3 Public Safety

Don Tillman

There was nothing to report from the Public Safety Committee at this time.

5.4 Public Works

Richard Mesaris

There was nothing to report from the Public Works Committee at this time.

5.5 Transportation

Wayne Lambert

There was nothing to report from the Transportation Committee at this time.

6. Monthly Reports

6.1 Manager's Report

Interim Manager Ulrich

Mr. Ulrich reported that groins eight (8) and sixteen (16) have problems. He advised that Atlantic Diving will be on the Island next week to provide estimates for the repairs to these groins.

Mr. Ulrich advised that the pumps for the lagoons have been ordered and should arrive on the Island in the near future.

Mr. Ulrich reported that the Village Council is continuing the Manager's search. The Village Council hopes to have a full time manager in place by the early fall.

Mr. Ulrich reported that the Village has accepted the resignation of Firefighter/Paramedic Bobby Carmon. He advised that Mr. Carmon will be joining the staff at Oak Island.

Mr. Ulrich reported that there will be a meeting with the State officials on July 29th regarding the appeal of the Flood Maps.

6.2 Police Department

Chief Herring

Chief Herring reported that it has been a routine month on the Island. He advised that there are more people on the Island now and more underage drivers. He asked all in attendance to please report any suspicion of underage drivers to the Police Department.

6.3 Fire/EMS Department

Chief Munna

Chief Munna reported that it was a busy month for the Fire Department with twenty-two (22) fire calls, twenty-six (26) EMS calls and three (3) rescue calls. He advised that Mr. Carmon is making a lateral move to the Oak Island Department so he can be closer to his home on the Island.

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7. Comments, Reports and Questions

7.1 Citizens

Ms. Ridgeway advised that the pirates are coming to raise funds for the Old Baldy Foundation. She presented the Village Council with their pledge coins as well as Mayor Lammert with his Pirate costume. She further advised that the Pirate Days will be held on August 4th-5th. She asked everyone to please attend.

7.2 Bald Head Island Association—Bob Porter President

There was no report from the Association President at this time.

7.3 Bald Head Island, Ltd.—Joyce Fulton

Ms. Fulton reported that Bald Head Island Limited Transportation will providing and enhanced barge run of which will go into effect on Monday.

7.4 Mayor and Council

There were no additional comments from the Mayor and Council at this time.

8. Adjourn

Mayor Lammert asked for any additional items for discussion. With no additional items for discussion, Mayor Pro Mayor Sayre made a motion to adjourn the June 16, 2006 Council Meeting. In a voice vote, with Councilor Pitera being absent, all voted in favor. **(Motion carried 4-0)**

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Approved:

Larry Lammert, Mayor

Attest:

Amy R. Candler, Village Clerk