

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, December 7, 2017, 2:00 PM Surf City Town Hall

- 1. Call to Order & Greetings
- 2. Public Comments
- 3. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Williams made the motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Broadhurst seconded the motion and it was carried.

4. Approval of the October 27, 2017 Minutes

Mr. Peters made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Benson seconded the motion and it was carried.

- 5. Consultant/Lobbyist/Partners Information & Contact Review/Update
 - a. Poyner Spruill Attorneys Mike McIntyre
 - i. Next Step for Mapping Changes Congress Jones follow-up
 - ii. Next Step for use of Inlet sand by USACE
 - b. Connie Wilson Consulting Connie Wilson
 - i. Mrs. Wilson discussed 2018 potential in a positive matter. She mentioned that there is a greater interest in compiling a coastal mitigation fund. It is not a dedicated fund at this time but they are looking to gaining the funding from the deed stamps, this would be a positive start.
 - ii. In April 2018 there is a dredging report coming out as required by legislatures.
 - iii. She has been working on the Community Rating Systems (CRS) regulations and networking with fellow colleagues to educate them on the issues with the new rates.

Mr. Williams explained the CRS system and its relation to the North Carolina (NC) building code.

- 6. United States Army Corp of Engineering (USACE) Update—Pam Castens Mr. Smith stated that Mrs. Castens has planned to meet with Topsail Beach in regards to comparisons with the federal project and the local project.
 - Mr. Bergman stated they had recently met with Mrs. Castens in regards to an overall standing.
- 7. NC Coastal Resources Commission (CRAC & CRC) Update Mike Moore
 - a. Review of meeting on Nov. 7 & 8, 2017

Mr. Smith stated the last CRC meeting was very productive and they are moving forward with the dune maintenance rules and it is a finance committee now.

Members at Meeting:

Steve Smith

Ed Broadhurst

David Ward

Richard Peters

Hiram Williams

Jerry Heid

Mike Benson

Jerry Patton

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- 8. North Carolina Beach, Inlet & Waterway Association (NCBIWA) Review Kathleen Riely
 - a. Update of NCBIWA's activities

Mrs. Riley discussed that the conference went really well. The off-shore drilling topic was really popular, and there was lots of concerns with moving forward. She discussed contacting out-of-town homeowners in regards to contacting their local delegations about beach and inlet management. She conversed about harden structures and the need or want for them among coastal communities.

9. Old Business

a. Spenser Rogers has been contacted (Steve)

Mr. Smith stated that Mr. Spenser Rogers said he would be happy to come and talk with us.

- 10. Town's Local Projects
 - a. North Topsail Beach Stuart Turille

Mr. Turille discussed they had a kick-off meeting with Onslow County about a hardened structure at the New River Inlet. They have been in touch with the Army Corps of Engineers for a dredge next fall for dredging at the intracoastal water way. This could potentially bring some more sand to the north end of town. They are looking forward to shoreline nourishing town wide. Their Planning Director has been directed to do a report on the number of property owners who live outside of town.

Mr. Turille thanked the Commission for their work in the past and it's value to the whole island. He also announced his resignation as town manager effective January 1, 2018.

b. Surf City – Larry Bergman

Mr. Bergman discussed that Surf City has been working with TI Coastal on a local project. Mr. Gibson has been doing a survey analysis of our beach and the potential cost of a nourishment project. Surf City is still working on parking requirements and easements on ocean front properties.

c. Topsail Beach – Jerry Patton

Mr. Patton stated they continue to move forward with permitting applications for the project next fall. They are looking at funding services from multiple sources.

11. New Business

a. 2018 NC Budget Amendments



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Mr. Smith discussed the 2018 budget and the new potential impacts especially in regards to shell fish and dredging.

b. 2017 TISPC Accomplishments

New Commission website, stopped HB56, and assisted NTB with mapping issues, generation of the vacation & owner data, better job of directing our lobbying efforts, protecting the shallow draft inlet funds, developed closer relations with the NCBIWA.

c. 2018 TISPC Goals & Consultant Work List

Dedicated federal and state funding source, Pay close attention to the inlet funds, Take an approach to earn a fair share of NC Tax dollars, Sound-side flooding, CRS

It was agreed Mike Benson and Steve Smith would pull together 2017 accomplishments and 2018 goals and will submit to members before next meeting.

- 12. Open Forum
- 13. Next Meeting Topsail Beach Town Hall, 2 PM, January 25, 2018
- 14. Adjournment Wishing all a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year