



# TOWN OF SURF CITY

## August 29, 2019 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

*2:00 PM / Thursday, August 29, 2019  
Surf City Welcome Center, 102 N. Shore Drive*

### **Council Members Present**

Mayor Douglas C. Medlin  
Mayor Pro-Tem William J. Buddy Fowler  
Donald R. Helms  
Nelva Albury  
Teresa B. Batts  
Jeremy Shugarts

### **Call to Order**

Mayor Douglas C. Medlin, Mayor

### **Invocation & Pledge**

### **Introductions & Welcome**

### **Approval of Agenda**

Mr. Fowler made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Helms seconded the motion and it was approved.

### **Town Council Work Plan Items:**

#### **1. Town Attorney Work Plan**

- Ocean Front Easements
- Pender County Utilities
- Easement Pirates Cove
- Maritime Plantation Title Search for Private Beach Access

Mr. Merritt discussed the Maritime Plantation beach access, stating there are two easements beside 2530 S. Shore Drive. One of the two easements is a 12-foot easement owned by the town and does not have a wooden walkway, but a footpath, and has been given right of use to Pirates Cove. Maritime Plantation and Pirates Cove are in discussions over who owns the wooden walkway next to the town's footpath. This is not a piece of town property, and no one knows who the legal owner is. A title search needs to be preformed to insure who the legal owner is.

Mrs. Loftis discussed the attorney work plan regarding the oceanfront easements and moving forward with those as soon as possible. Secondly, there have been discussions regarding the Rocky Point-Topsail water district and that Surf City is prohibited from providing any utility services to this area, unless Pender County release the applicant. All though Pender County currently cannot service this district with utilities due to lack of water and sewer availability. Currently the town sells water to the county.

Mayor stated the tax revenue would succeed the utility fees that could be collected.

## **2. Roland Ave Beach Access Lot Closure Request – Oct. 12th**

Mrs. Hobbs discussed Surf City Oceanfest slated for Saturday October 12<sup>th</sup>, and the request to close the Roland Ave beach access parking lot. Oceanfest provides the opportunity for an adaptive surf clinic for young people with disabilities. The closure of the would provide ease of access for the adaptive contest. The police department confirmed it would have minimal impact on traffic issues.

Mr. Helms made a motion to approve the closure of the Roland Ave. beach access parking lot on Saturday Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> for the Surf City Oceanfest. Mrs. Albury seconded the motion and it was carried.

## **3. Closed Session NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6)**

Mr. Helms made a motion to go into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6). Mrs. Albury seconded the motion and it was carried.

## **4. Adjourn**

Mr. Helms made a motion to move forward with the interview process for the town manager. Mrs. Albury seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mr. Batts made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Helms seconded the motion and it was carried.