



On Monday, March 18, 2024, at 5:00pm, the Town Council held a Town Meeting at the Town Hall located at 121 North Gate Road, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29572.

Present	Mayor Mayor Pro Tempore Council	Dave Buonviri via Teams Peggy Bell Brian Palliser Laura Pendley Brian McIntyre via Teams
	Chief of Police Town Clerk	Kyle Lamparter Jennifer Newbold
Absent		

The media and public were duly notified of the date, time, and place of the Town Meeting. Gerry Shea, Field Representative from Congressman Russell Fry's office was also in attendance. At 5:00pm, with a quorum present, Mayor Buonviri called the **Meeting to order**.

Mayor Buonviri began the Meeting with the **Pledge of Allegiance**, followed by a brief overview of the **Agenda** and approval of the **Consent Agenda**, the February Minutes and Financials.

Chief Lamparter presented the **Security Report** for February 20, 2024, to March 18, 2024, with 40 incidents or calls for service. See attached. The Department of Justice will audit police municipalities every two years requesting monthly statistics for use of force and pursuits; these stats are to be included in the report.

Mayor Pro Tem Bell continued with the **Treasurer's Report** (see attached).

Five items of **Old Business** followed. First, Council reviewed the bid received for **Canopy Trimming and Fire Wise debris collection**. One bid was received; Vereen Tree Service, LLC bid Phase I – Canopy trimming \$9,000.00. Phase II – Fire Wise debris collection was bid at \$200.00/ton. The bid will be awarded at a Bid Award Meeting on April 1.

From the Council Workshop, **GFL** provided a draft contract. The draft was reviewed; the new, three-year contract begins August 1, 2024.

Mayor Buonviri discussed the **County Transportation Committee (CTC) Meeting** he and former Councilman, John Wylie attended. The CTC has agreed to provide \$250,117.50 in C funds to the Town to resurface South Gate Road (.53 miles). Once the work is complete, the Town may receive more funding towards resurfacing Hickory, Holly, and Birch Lanes.

The Mayor also discussed the upcoming Pre-kickoff Meeting with Bolton & Menk, the engineering firm selected to provide services for the **SCIIP Grant** received from the Rural Infrastructure Authority (RIA). Intentions are to receive some guidance on problem areas and to complete these projects in a timely manner using American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds as the grant funds may only be used for Viability Planning.

Also from the Council Workshop, two **encroachment permits** were discussed and approved (temporary dumpster and driveway).

Next, Councilwoman Pendley reported the status of the **Ordinance Review Project**; amended ordinances will continue to be prioritized and will be reviewed by Legal Counsel prior to being published. April focus will be on Lakes and Docks.

Mayor Pro Tem Bell reported (**Tree City USA**) the visit from Anne Huyler from the South Carolina Forestry Commission; the Town will receive their Tree City USA designation on April 27 during the Arbor Day and Fire Wise celebration.

Mayor Buonviri reported (**Maintenance**) that he had a contractor check the garage door for painting and confirmed with Councilwoman Pendley on irrigation scheduling. Seasonal landscape maintenance continues.

Councilman Palliser reported (**Lakes**) that he will contact the Lakes Committee to be involved with the April ordinance review of the Lakes and Docks.

Councilwoman Pendley reported (**Beautification**) the Town Hall seasonal clean-up to be complete. She will seek a requested sod estimate for the Town Hall front lawn. The Councilwoman had nothing new to report on **Technology and Communication**.

Councilman McIntyre reported on (**Roads and Fire Wise**) earlier in the Meeting.

In **New Business**, the Mayor discussed his recent tele-conference about converting wastewater systems to sewer. Unfortunately, he was informed that “in order to be entitled to any of the \$271 million grant funds available for the conversion, all septic systems in Briarcliffe Acres must be failing.”

In **Matters that Require Attention**, the Chief reported that he escorted the landscapers to the landfill who illegally dumped yard debris on Patterson Drive.

Public Input was shared about “Adopt a Highway”, and Gerry Shea thanked the Mayor, Council, and staff for their work as Public Officials and representatives of the Municipality.

The Clerk added Items to the Workshop Agenda.

Mayor Buonviri announced the dates and times of the **upcoming Meetings** and with no further business to discuss, the Town Meeting **adjourned** at 6:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer B. Newbold
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Approved _____