

Town Of Briarcliffe Acres

On Monday, March 21, 2022, at 5:15pm, immediately following a Public Hearing, 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
Peggy Bell
Laura Pendley
Brian Palliser
John Wylie
Kyle Lamparter
Jennifer Newbold

Chief of Police
Town Clerk

The media and public were duly notified of the date, time, and place of the Meeting. At 5:15pm, with a quorum present, Mayor Buonviri called the Meeting to order.

Mayor Buonviri began the Meeting with a brief overview of the Agenda and approval of the Consent Agenda, the February Minutes.

Chief Lamparter presented the Security Report for February 22, 2022 – March 21, 2022, with 45 incidents or calls for service. See attached.

Mayor Pro Tempore Bell followed with the upcoming budget calendar and schedule; the Treasurer's Report will include two months in April.

The Mayor began with the first item of Old Business, ongoing discussion from the 5:00pm Public Hearing held before the Town Meeting. Bell proposed additional changes that will be sent to legal counsel. With amendments noted and pending legal approval, Councilwoman Pendley made a motion and Councilman Palliser seconded (TITLE ONLY) to adopt the proposed zoning amendments #2022.01 to amend Sec. 32-28. Signs, and #2022.02 to amend Sec. 32-29. Fences and walls. The vote was unanimous. Ample time (ten days) will be provided for any written, public comment. Second reading and adoption will take place on April 18, 2022, pending legal approval and public comment(s).

Mayor Pro Tem Bell had nothing new to report for the Town Hall Lawn Beautification project; plantings have been ordered for the front lawn and are expected to be planted by the end of April.

Mayor Buonviri suggested that Councilman Palliser meet with the Lakes Committee to discuss using some American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds to provide ramp access to the Lakes for canoes and kayaks. The project will also follow the normal, competitive procurement process.

Next, Mayor Buonviri mentioned that the Town Landscape Maintenance crew is continuing to monitor and collect debris by Highway 17.

The Mayor met with Dirt Works and is awaiting proposals for drainage solutions for Bayberry, Birch, Beach, and Green Park to provide to Horry County Stormwater.

Chief Lamparter discussed several Public Safety issues next. He is trying to secure loaner speed signs for Bike Weeks and is consulting with HTC about upgrading the cameras with remaining FY 2021 – 2022 Public Safety dollars. The Chief provided a synopsis on the Police symposium he attended on quality of life and homeless management issues.

Next, Councilman Palliser provided the quote for roads repairs. Like all other costs affected by the increase in fuel charges, prices per square foot increased from \$6.50 to \$11.84. Palliser will prioritize and move forward with the Purchase Order.

Technology/Communications followed; Councilwoman Pendley reported that she and the Clerk are continuing to collect email addresses and to contact those without viable email or phone numbers. Reporting statistics show that only 60% of residents are opening their email sent from the Town. Pendley has created a list of important topics to start sending, with five especially significant and timely for the season.

Once the Clerk sends the Fire Wise resident packages out, a separate invitation will be sent to residents for the April 23 Fire Wise and Public Safety Awareness Day. Council decided to delay any decision on how to acknowledge deaths with respect to resident and family privacy. The Mayor has taken several calls about internet service providers and service issues; he is contacting a municipal representative with one of the major service providers to seek information.

No discussion was necessary as Councilman Wylie made a motion and Bell seconded to award Phase I (Canopy and Right of Way trimming) and Phase II (Fire Wise debris collection) of Bid Package #2022.01 to sole bidder, Vereen Tree Service, LLC. The vote was unanimous; Phase I will not exceed \$5,000.00 and Phase II collection is \$150.00/ton. Canopy trimming will begin on April 18 and debris collection on April 26.

Wylie has consulted with North Myrtle Beach to provide a fire truck and ambulance for the event on April 23 (10am – 2pm) to be staged at the intersection of Center Drive and Middle Gate Road; officials will also be available to provide fire risk assessments. Food will be provided by Joey Arakas (Joe's Bar & Grill) and ice cream by Mister Softee.

The Clerk reported that she attended the ARP Final Rule webinar earlier in the afternoon and will continue to seek assistance provided for the April 30 reporting deadline.

Public Input was shared by three residents during the session. Topics included dangers of metal fences on ocean-front property, pine needles being a significant fuel/fire source, and an explanation of the tree canopy and guidelines.

The date and time of the April Workshop was announced. And, at 6:20pm, with no further business to discuss, the Town Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer B. Newbold
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Town Clerk

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