

On Monday, October 17, 2022, at 5pm, 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

Chief of Police Town Clerk Dave Buonviri Peggy Bell Brian Palliser Laura Pendley John Wylie Kyle Lamparter Jennifer Newbold

The media and public were duly notified of the date, time, and place of the Meeting. At 5:00pm, 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.** September Minutes were not yet available for approval, nor was the full Financial report. Mayor Pro Tempore Bell did report receipt of \$147,000.00 in ARP funds.

Chief Lamparter presented the **Security Report** for September 9, 2022 – October 17, 2022, with 49 incidents or calls for service. See attached. He also reported the Town Police Cruiser underwent warranty repair for a hydraulic control unit. Lastly, there was continued discussion regarding plans to come into compliance with SC Act 218 relating to a policy and procedures manual.

Mayor Pro Tem Bell continued with the Old Business Agenda; she had nothing new to report on the next phase of the **Beautification** project as contractors are busy with Hurricane Ian cleanup activities. However, she did report cleaning of the file room and return of building plans to residents.

Next, Mayor Buonviri reviewed **Bid #2022.03 Road Resurfacing** with award going to lowest bidder Coastal Asphalt for \$139,347.94. Palliser made a motion to approve, and Bell seconded. The vote to approve was unanimous.

The Second Reading and adoption of **Ordinance #2022.04 Public Tree Ordinance**, a requirement to become a **Tree City USA** designee, was next on the Agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Bell has been instrumental in this process; the ordinance delegates authority and responsibility for managing public trees and the Town will establish a Tree Advisory Board. Pendley made a motion and Bell seconded. The vote was unanimous to adopt the ordinance.

Hurricane Ian After Action Review was next on the agenda:

- Police Chief Lamparter stated the buffer zone along Highway 17 needs clearing with several fallen trees. Mayor Buonviri has already been in communication with the Briarcliffe Acres Association about the matter.
- Chief Lamparter also reported a good amount of debris remaining in the median of Highway 17, and along the curbs and into the storm drains. He suggested consideration for next year budget accommodations for street sweeping, particularly following big storms.
- Parkman cleared the roads of fallen trees immediately following the storm, per contract, invoicing a total of 15 hours.
- Mayor Buonviri reports no decision has been made by South Carolina or Horry County Emergency Management Divisions regarding declaration of FEMA event, meaning reimbursement for storm debris clean up using predisposition contractors. Meanwhile there is a sizable amount of debris in Town presenting safety and aesthetic concerns. Discussion ensued whether to wait for FEMA declaration (with no guarantee of such decision) or moving ahead with removal at Town expense. It was decided that Mayor Buonviri will work with combination of local contractors to remove bags and branches at earliest possible date.
- The Town will continue to communicate with residents that all loose debris needs to be bagged, and that no debris is to be left in medians without prior approval from Buonviri or Wylie.
- Wylie reported a fallen tree damaged the deer fence behind Lot 12 and will arrange for repair.
- Police Chief Lamparter reported the septic grinder stations were inoperable during power outage from Hurricane Ian. Simultaneously, Myrtle Beach lost electrical controls due to storm surge. He suggested future discussions may be warranted with Myrtle Beach to ensure contingency planning for future storms.

There were no **New Business** items to discuss.

In **Matters That Require Attention**, Mayor Buonviri reported that both the Town Code Enforcement Officer and a Horry County Building Department representative have sent notices to the owner of Lot 240 regarding the detached living space (as described in recent real estate listing) requiring inspection.

Public Input was shared about missed yard debris pickup immediately following Hurricane Ian, and residents were encouraged to contact GFL directly since the Town does not contract for that service.

Mayor Buonviri thanked residents for their attendance and input and announced the dates and times of upcoming Meetings. At 5:58 pm, with no further business to discuss, the Town Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Laura Pendley for

Jennifer B. Newbold (Clerk injury)

Jennifer B. Newbold Town Clerk

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