



The Village of Bald Head Island

MEMORANDUM

Date: August 28, 2009

To: Mayor and Council

From: Chris McCall, Assistant Village Manager/Development Services Director

Cc: Calvin Peck, Village Manager
Department Heads

Re: Weekly Status for 24 - 28 AUG 2009

CRC Meeting at Pivers Island, Beaufort, NC – Charles, Andy, and Chris attended the CRC meeting on Thursday. Items of importance related to BHI were observing the Commission's review & response to two static line exception requests (Wrightsville Beach & Carolina Beach). The requests were approved within a manner of minutes after brief presentations from legal counsel for both jurisdictions with no significant questions asked by the Commission. Pretty straight forward process as long as you provide the required documentation in advance to DCM staff in preparing the Commission's packets, it appears. In addition to static line requests, Charles met w/ Director Jim Gregson prior to the meeting and was provided an opportunity to speak during the public comment portion of the meeting & at the end to express the Village's desire for immediate emergency response and request to conduct repair & maintenance activities to the existing sandbag wall protecting Sandpiper Trail. In the Village's request we asked for clarification of intent upon the CRC by way of HB 709 that allowed for the Commission to grant authority for the repair & maintenance of sandbags currently protecting threatened structures. Ultimately the Commission determined that the 1 year moratorium did not prevent DCM staff from allowing repair & maintenance of existing sandbags that continue to protect threatened structures up to the deadline date of the moratorium for removal of exposed sandbags, April 1, 2010.

Also discussed under old business, DCM Director Jim Gregson discussed his recommendation on how to proceed with the Terminal Groin Study that was handed down to the Commission by the General Assembly. The Director and Commission agreed that the study should be contracted out to Moffit & Nichols who are currently contracted and working on the BIMP (Beach & Inlet Management Plan).

Repair & Maintenance of Sandbags at Sandpiper Trail – Upon confirmation from the CRC at Thursday's meeting (approximately 4:40 p.m.), Staff put in a call to Island Contracting giving them notification to mobilize. Island Contracting as of today is preparing the necessary

equipment needed to conduct the operation and will be mobilizing to the island first thing Monday morning. Staff will meet w/ the contractor to identify areas of repair keeping within the permitted dimensions of the original permit design as required by DCM. While repairs will start as soon as possible, due to the existing beach conditions, the start will have to be worked around the high tide.

Tropical Storm Danny – As of this afternoon, PS Director Munna indicated that the storm is making its way north/northwest at 10 mph with winds at 40 mph and will pass by us throughout the night and does not expect any significant issues other than increased wave velocity and rip currents. At this point, there are no pre-storm actions being undertaken and we will not be able to repair our sandbag wall until Monday. The PS Department will continue to monitor the situation under the Direction of the PS Director maintaining a constant state of readiness should anything change drastically within the next 24 – 48 hours.

On-going Major Projects Status – See spreadsheet...