



The Village of Bald Head Island

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 13, 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 9 – 13 MAR 2009

The Villas Dedication Request – Staff completed the initial assessment of the roads proposed for dedication. The preliminary report will be forwarded to the POA representatives for their review next week.

Groinfield Repairs – The Village has contracted with Wayne Krahn, Island Contracting to remove the ends of the groins that have deteriorated and were cut-back and tied off a couple months back. This loose material will need to be removed before the start of the tourist season as it could pose a danger to swimmers in the immediate areas.

Wilmington Harbor Maintenance Dredging Project – The Village met with the USACOE Project Engineer and the Corps Major on Tuesday to discuss the current dredging project and its negative impacts to west and south beach. With the dredges current dredge position in Bald Head Shoals Reach 1 adjacent to the point, by all accounts from Dr. Paul Hearty, BHI Conservancy, there is one foot of erosion per hour taking place.



In discussions with the Corps, they indicated that the point has accreted over the last two years and that the dredge is merely dredging that sand which has encroached into the channel alignment. The Village and Conservancy are monitoring the situation with daily monitoring and data collection for future evidence of impacts.

BHI Aquifer Study – Village Staff, Dr. Paul Hearty and Jim Coronette w/ Applied Research Management (ARM) have identified ten proposed monitoring well sites throughout the island as part of the project that is to study the aquifer. This is a joint effort between the Village and Conservancy among other things it to get a better understanding of how the aquifer is impacted during certain times of the year such as peak seasonal tourist season.

Village Property Appraisals – Earl Worsley with Worsley Appraisals conducted site visits of the following; Village Hall & Post Office Property, Creek Access and adjacent Holleman Tract purchased by the Village to expand the access, and the Fire/EMS, Police Department, and adjacent Lot 6 purchased by the Village from BHI Limited. The appraisals are being done to determine their value and the total value that can be used for collateral should the Village move forward with the installment financing for the private sand placement project.

2009-2010 Budget – Department Heads having been working on their respective revenue projects for the upcoming fiscal year to present to Village Manager which are due today. Expenditures estimates w/ Line Item Justifications are due by end of next week.

Brunswick County Manager/Leadership Breakfast – Calvin and the Mayor attended the breakfast hosted by Brunswick County where topics presented included upcoming state requirements for the installation of a separate water meter for irrigation if connected to a municipal water system and how the County is implementing a tier water rate system for billing, similar to what the Village has already implemented.

BC Commissioner Scott Phillips – Commissioner Phillips visited the island after the County breakfast this morning and was given a tour of the island by the Mayor to update the Commissioner on current issues facing the Village. Overall, per the Mayor, the trip was successful.

State of the Economy – Calvin attended the State of the Economy earlier this week hosted by UNCW where topics for discussion focused on how the decrease in sales tax revenue (down 34%) has negatively impacted municipalities across the region.

Status of On-Going Major Projects – See attached spreadsheet...