

**VILLAGE OF BALD HEAD ISLAND
COUNCIL MEETING
September 24, 2010
Bald Head Association**

COUNCILORS IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Andrew Sayre
Councilor Gene Douglas
Councilor Art Morris

STAFF PRESENT: Calvin R. Peck, Jr., Village Manager
Chris McCall, Asst. Manager/ Shoreline Protection Manager
Deb Straub, Finance Manager
Chip Munna, Chief of Public Safety
David Cox, Systems Administrator
Charles Baldwin, Village Attorney
Debra Talbert, Village Clerk (recording minutes)

1. Call to Order / Approval of Agenda

Mayor Sayre called the August 20, 2010 Council Meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. Mayor Sayre entertained a motion to approve the agenda with changes. Councilor Douglas made the motion, with all in approval.

(MOTION CARRIED 3-0)

2. Public Hearing: Proposed Revision of Chapter 28: Traffic and Vehicles

Mayor Sayre entered into the public hearing of the Proposed revision of Chapter 28: Traffic and Vehicles. Attorney Baldwin reviewed the proposed revisions.

Mayor Sayre opened the public hearing and asked for comments.

Brookes Adcock asked if the alcohol and drinking provisions were redundant to the NC laws. Calvin stated the Village Charter gives the Village additional opportunity to regulate by Ordinance even if there is a State law in place. The Village has the opportunity to write a civil citation or a state citation. Mr. Adcock asked if the officer has the option to write either citation. Chief Munna replied it is within the officers discretion.

Joyce Fulton reviewed BHI Limited request for all electric cars should be restricted to the same footprint as a golf cart. Attorney Baldwin stated the provision has been done to the proposed revision.

Mrs. Fulton stated BHI Limited request a provision of a gasoline powered taxi operation permitted under this ordinance and to prohibit all gasoline powered golf carts on the Island.

Larry Lammert asked why are only golf carts required to have insurance. Councilor Morris stated the Public Safety/ Transportation Committee has researched and Segways top speed is 15 mph, with bicycles on the Island that operate faster. The committee did not feel appropriate to penalize the Segway property owner and visitors coming on the island with Segways to require registration and proof of insurance of the segways. Mr. Lammert stated the vehicles listed would fall under home owners insurance policy. Councilor Douglas stated his understanding the insurance companies made the decision not to have golf carts under the homeowners insurance plan. Mr. Lammert stated Bald Head Island made this decision, not the insurance companies.

Brookes Adcock stated he would like to see the operation of a electric vehicle to not require a drivers license on the Island.

Mayor Sayre asked if there was any other comments. With no response, the public hearing was closed.

3. **Consent Agenda**

3.1 **Approval of Minutes**

August 20, 2010 Work Session
August 20, 2010 Council Meeting
September 10, 2010 Special Meeting

Mayor Sayre asked for approval of the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilor Douglas made the motion, with all in approval. **(MOTION CARRIED 3-0)**

4. **Old Business**

4.1 **Consideration/ Adoption of the revision of Chapter 28: Traffic and Vehicles**

Mayor Sayre asked for approval of the revision of Chapter 28 as presented. Councilor Morris made the motion, with all in approval. **(MOTION CARRIED 3-0)**

❖ *See attachment with official minutes*

5. **New Business**

5.1 **August Financial Statement Report**

Deb Straub stated the General fund and Utilities fund are on target with revenues and expenses. The accommodation taxes for July and August collections exceeded projections. The Beach fund balance is \$584k, Stormwater Management is \$156k, and the Infiltration Pond System is \$320k. There was a approved internal budget transfer of \$50k for the Aquifer Study and drilling of well heads.

5.2 **Proclamation- Daughters of the American Revolution**

Mayor Sayre read the Proclamation presented. Mayor Sayre asked for approval of the Proclamation. Councilor Morris made the motion, with all in approval.

(MOTION CARRIED 3-0)

❖ *See attachment with official minutes*

6. **Committee Reports**

6.1 **Shoreline Protection-**

Chris McCall spoke on several agenda topics that were discussed at the past meeting.

6.2 **Finance** - *See attachment with official minutes*

6.3 **Public Safety & Transportation-** *See attachment with official minutes*

6.4 **Public Works & Utilities-** no report

6.5 **Communication-**

Tom Hayden reviewed the committees agenda on the post cards for an email database for the Village. Mr. Hayden stated the committee is looking for additional members. The committee has gave recommendation to Council for a full time experience Communications Coordinator to coordinate the Village website and collect data to be used on the site as well as be capable of writing all forms of communication. The next committee meeting will be September 28, 2010.

Mayor Sayre stated Calvin will be attending the meeting on September 28th to discuss the committees recommendation.

6.6 **Parks & Recreation-** no report

7. **Monthly Reports**

7.1 **Manager's Report**

Calvin spoke on the White Tail Deer Count Study completed by the BHI Conservancy. The Conservancy made recommendation to the Village to refrain from a deer cull for FY 2010/11. Calvin stated there will

be a discussion at the Communications meeting on conducting a referendum pledged by the Council to all stakeholders for the procedure of controlling the deer population.

Calvin stated as of September 14, 2010, Brunswick County is considered a Moderate Drought condition. This requires a voluntary water usage.

Calvin stated the Coastal Resource Commission has directed their staff to followup on the removal of severe eroded sandbags in North Carolina. Calvin stated all Bald Head Island sandbags are covered and well

vegetated, and should not be a concern. All sandbags on Bald Head Island are within the permit requirements.

The CRC has directed their staff to visit all the Inlet Hazard Area communities to speak on the properties affected. Staff will inform Council of the date the meeting is scheduled.

7.2 Department of Public Safety Report

Chief Munna introduced Ed Hutton as full time staff for Public Safety. Chief Munna spoke on the pot luck supper for the Conklins for September 27th.

7.3 Development Services Monthly Report

Chris McCall gave the monthly report for Development Services.

7.4 Shoreline Protection Manager Report

Chris McCall reviewed the meeting with the Corps of Engineers and the funding issues for the upcoming dredging project. Chris stated he working with the lobbyist in DC on solutions. Chris spoke on the Bald Head Creek status and the Village is working on receiving a permit for dredging. Chris stated he will be working with the State for the preservation of the Boat House on Bald Head Creek.

8. Comments, Reports and Questions

8.1 Citizens

Tom Hayden spoke on concerns with animals falling off golf carts and suggest information should be provided to citizens. Chief Munna will research further.

8.2 Bald Head Association - no comment

8.3 Bald Head Island, LTD - no comment

8.4 Bald Head Island Conservancy- no comment

8.5 Bald Head Island Club- no comment

8.6 Mayor and Council-

Mayor Sayre announced the October Council meeting will begin at 2:00 p.m. There is discussion of a date change for the November 19th Council meeting to November 12th. Council will discuss and notice will be given.

9. Adjournment -

Mayor Sayre made motion to adjourn at 3:40 p.m. Councilor Douglas made motion, with all in favor.

(MOTION CARRIED 3-0)

Mayor Andy Sayre

ATTEST:

Debra C. Talbert, Village Clerk