



**Town of Southern Shores
Council Meeting
June 16, 2015**

The Town of Southern Shores Council met in the Pitts Center located at 5375 N. Virginia Dare Trail at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 16, 2015.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Tom Bennett, Mayor Pro Tem Jodi Hess, Council Members David Sanders, Larry Lawhon and Leo Holland.

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Town Manager Peter Rascoe and Town Clerk Sheila Kane

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance, and held a Moment of Silence.

AMENDMENTS / APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Council Member Holland moved to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Sanders. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Bennett called on public comment and the following citizens offered comment:

Ray Sharpe, Southern Shores property owner
Andrew Darling, Southern Shores property owner
Debbie Newberry, Southern Shores property owner
Fred Newberry, Southern Shores property owner

[Clerk's Note: A copy of the Public Comment sign-up sheet is hereby attached as Exhibit A].

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of the following item:

- Surplus items-Resolution 2015-06-02
- Opposition to Senate Bill 608-Resolution 2015-06-03

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Hess moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Holland. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

[Clerk's Note: A copy of the consent agenda item is hereby attached as Exhibit B].

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Capital Improvement Planning Committee

Council Member Lawhon stated it has been brought to the attention of Staff and the Committee that there is a pressing problem on North Dogwood. A section of N. Dogwood Trail located at #283 to #291 is crumbling. The deteriorating road condition will require a rebuild. Councilman Lawhon and the Mayor recommend including this section of North Dogwood Trail in the Council's consideration of the FY 2015-2016 CIP Street Prioritization List, which will be considered at a Public Hearing on July 7th during the regular scheduled Council Meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the Pitts Center.

Council Member Lawhon then stated there is constant and significant talk about the Dogwood Trails and recommends Council appoint a Citizens' Task Force to study and make recommendations to Council on viable solutions for current street and safety conditions on South and East Dogwood Trails. The Council will continue its discussion on this recommendation at its July 7th Regular Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

OTHER ITEMS

Town Manager's report

The Town Manager addressed several matters:

- The capital improvements on Pintail Ct. are nearing completion. The cul-de-sac was completed last year and the actual street is being completed this year.
- The new beach access parking hang-tags are available (4 per property). The old stickers are still valid up until the expiration date of December 31, 2016.
- The 4th lifeguard stand will go up this week at Triangle park beach.
- The Community Resource Officer and lifeguards have not been encountering any issues with tents or other belongings left overnight on the beach.

Mayor's comments:

None

Council Members' comments:

Council Member Lawhon stated Triangle Park parking lot is being paved this week and the Town Manager will coordinate with Surf Rescue.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Council Member Holland moved to go into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) Section (6) to consider a personnel matter regarding an individual public officer or Employee. The motion was seconded by Council Member Sanders. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

ADJOURN

MOTION: Upon returning to open session and taking no action Council Member Sanders moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lawhon. The motion passed unanimously (5-0). The time was 11:42 a.m.

ATTEST:


Thomas G. Bennett, Mayor



Respectfully submitted,


Sheila Kane, Town Clerk



PUBLIC COMMENT SIGN-UP SHEET
 July 16, 2015

We encourage your public comments. All speakers must recognize the utmost importance of maintaining the decorum of Town meetings and of the need for all to have an opportunity to speak in a timely and uninterrupted manner. Please limit your comments to 3 minutes and speak courteously and respectfully to the Council as a whole. The 3 minute time allotted is your time to speak. You may choose to use all of it or less, but it is not transferrable to anyone else. Public comment is your opportunity to provide input on Town matters. It is not meant to be a dialogue exchange between you, members of the Council, or others in the audience.

NAME	MAILING ADDRESS OF RESIDENT	TOPIC
Ray Sharpe		Fairway Drive
Andrew Darling	232 N Dogwood	
Debbie Newberry	267 Dogwood	
Fred Newberry	267 Dogwood	
		replacement sheet SK

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 CLERK



Town of Southern Shores

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RESOLUTION 2015-06-03

TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO SENATE BILL 608 (SB 608) SIMPLE AND FAIR FORMULA FOR SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION

WHEREAS, the Town of Southern Shores is a public entity established under the laws of the State of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the Town relies heavily on sales tax revenues to provide services, to include those necessary to provide for the health and safety of its residents; and

WHEREAS, it is projected by the May 20, 2015 "Comparison of Local Sales Tax Distribution Scenarios for Articles 39, 40, and 42" developed by the Fiscal Research Division of the North Carolina General Assembly, that enactment of SB 608 will result in the Town losing significant annual sales tax revenues - as compared to projected collections under the current law; and

WHEREAS, in order to continue providing current Town services, the Town would have to drastically increase the property tax rate to replace lost revenues as a result of Senate Bill 608 - Dare County would also have a significant sales tax loss and would have to increase property taxes as well to compensate; and

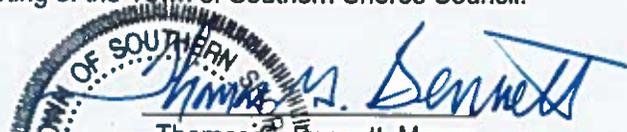
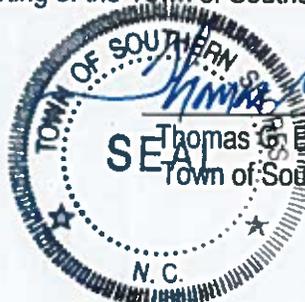
WHEREAS, an increase to the property tax rate necessitated by the passage of Senate Bill 608 would place a severe burden on our residents and property owners.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Town Council of the Town of Southern Shores, County of Dare, State of North Carolina that the Town of Southern Shores strongly opposes Senate Bill 608, *Simple and Fair Formula for Sales Tax Distribution*, due to the detrimental effect this proposed bill will have on the Town's ability to provide for and protect the health, safety, and welfare of our residents.

Adopted this the 16th day of June 2015 at a regular meeting of the Town of Southern Shores Council.

ATTEST:


Sheila Kane, Town Clerk


Thomas G. Bennett, Mayor
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RESOLUTION 2015-06-02

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN PROPERTY OF THE TOWN TO BE SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OF SAID PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Southern Shores, North Carolina, has determined that the Town owns certain personal property that is no longer needed or usable by the Town; and

WHEREAS, the property is described below:

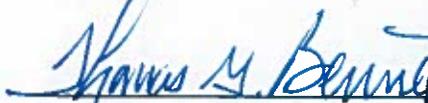
Surplus Property Information

DEPT.	MAKE	MODEL	INVENTORY TAG	V.I.N./DESCRIPTION
PUBLIC WORKS	SHINDAIWA	T261	0046	TRIMMER
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PUBLIC WORKS	SHINDAIWA		0007	BLOWER
PUBLIC WORKS	STIHL		0008	BLOWER
PUBLIC WORKS	ECHO	PB-413H	0010	BLOWER
PUBLIC WORKS	CHIEF			FLOATING PUMP
PUBLIC WORKS	TRAILER		0043	TOW RITE 12,000 LBS
PUBLIC WORKS	MIDWEST	PORTABLE		AIR TANK
PUBLIC WORKS	TORO		0049	LAWN MOWER

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Southern Shores Town Council that the Town Manager or his designee are hereby authorized to dispose of the aforementioned property by any means allowable to include offering for sale at public auction, donation to a nonprofit organization, internet on-line offering, private negotiation and sale, upset bid process, or destruction.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that property described in this resolution is surplus as of June 16, 2015.

ATTEST:


Thomas G. Bennett, Mayor




Shejla Karle, Town Clerk