



**Town of Southern Shores
Special Meeting
Joint Meeting of Town Council & South, East Dogwood Trails Task Force
October 27, 2015**

The Town of Southern Shores Council and South, East Dogwood Trails Task Force met in the Pitts Center located at 5375 N. Virginia Dare Trail at 4:00 p.m. on October 27, 2015.

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

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

SOUTH & EAST DOGWOOD TRAILS TASK FORCE: Jim Connors, Keith Lilly, Maureen McGrath, Shirley Ruff, Tom Craney, Michael Fletcher, Dan Dwyer

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 4:00 p.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).

REVIEW COUNCIL'S CHARGE TO THE SOUTH AND EAST DOGWOOD TRAILS TASK FORCE

Mayor Bennett stated the sole purpose of the meeting is to review and approve the charge to the South, East Dogwood Trails Task Force.

MOTION: Following some brief discussions Mayor Pro Tem Hess moved to approve the South, East Dogwood Trails Task Force Charge as presented. The motion was seconded by Mayor Bennett. The motion passed Unanimously (5-0).

[Clerk's Note: A copy of the South, East Dogwood Trails Task Force charge is hereby Attached as Exhibit A]

ADJOURN

MOTION: Council Member Holland moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hess. The motion passed unanimously (5-0). The time was 4:42 p.m.

[Clerk's Note: Council adjourned the meeting which was immediately followed by the South, East Dogwood Task Force organizational meeting.]

ATTEST:

Thomas G. Bennett, Mayor

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Kane, Town Clerk

Charge to the appointed South and East Dogwood Trails Task Force:

Members of the *South and East Dogwood Trails Task Force* of the Town of Southern Shores have now been officially appointed by the Town Council. It should be clearly understood the Council itself has no current plans in place for South and/or East Dogwood Trails. Other than this charge to the Task Force, the Council will not direct the Task Force in its work.

The charge to this Task Force is to solicit input from property owners of Southern Shores and develop a report to the Town Council specifically regarding issues of vehicular and pedestrian safety, any future street improvements, and long-term maintenance of South and East Dogwood Trails. The report should include data collected from the property owners, and any examples and recommendations of viable solutions. The Task Force may also include other issues it may identify regarding these two streets. The report will provide the Town Council with the necessary information to develop a specific plan for the Town.

This Task Force is encouraged to consider all reasonable and feasible options, including the impacts on adjacent landowners. Town staff is available as a resource to the Task Force, and will pursue other resources the Task Force considers necessary to perform its work.