



**TOWN OF HOLDEN BEACH
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025 – 5:00 P.M.**

The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Holden Beach, North Carolina met for a Public Hearing/Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Public Assembly. Present were Mayor J. Alan Holden; Mayor Pro Tem Tom Myers; Commissioners Rick Smith, Tracey Thomas, Page Dyer and Rick Paarfus; Interim Town Manager Christy Ferguson; Town Clerk Heather Finnell; Inspections Director Tim Evans; Finance Director Daniel McRaney; Lieutenant Frank Dilworth; Public Works Director Chris Benton; Fire Chief Doug Todd and Town Attorney Sydnee Moore.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$7,300,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT BONDS OF THE TOWN OF HOLDEN BEACH, NORTH CAROLINA FOR THE DEMOLITION AND REMOVAL OF THE EXISTING PIER AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PIER, INCLUDING ANY IMPROVEMENTS RELATED THERETO

The bond order entitled, **“BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$7,300,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT BONDS OF THE TOWN OF HOLDEN BEACH, NORTH CAROLINA”** was introduced at a meeting of the Board of Commissioners (the *“Board”*) on July 15, 2025 and published on August 3, 2025, with notice that the Board would hold a public hearing thereon on August 19, 2025 at or about 5:00 p.m. There had been filed in the Town Clerk’s office and posted on the Town’s website a statement of disclosures related to the proposed bonds complying with provisions of the Local Government Bond Act.

Mayor Holden opened the public hearing and announced that the Board would hear anyone who wished to be heard on the questions of validity of the bond order and the advisability of issuing the General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds. Interim Town Manager Ferguson provided background. During the public hearing, several residents and stakeholders took the opportunity to express their views, with some speaking in favor of the proposed improvements and others voicing their concerns and objections regarding the project. The following people took the opportunity to voice their opinions: Jim Bauer, Will Carter, Steve Jenkins, Herman Denning, Robert Brown, Tracey Harris Rice, Keith Smith, Sylvia Pate, Tracey Gilleland, Martie Arrowood, Robert Baresi, Chad Hock, Maria Surprise and Regina Martin.

Motion to close the hearing by Commissioner Paarfus at 5:44 p.m.; second by Commissioner Smith; approved by unanimous vote.

The Board took a five-minute recess.

REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Holden called the Regular Meeting to order and asked for a moment of silence.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by Commissioner Smith to approve the agenda as written; second by Commissioner Paarfus; approved by unanimous vote.

CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST CHECK

No conflicts were disclosed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Paarfus to approve as written (minutes of July 15, 2025 Special Meeting, July 15, 2025 Regular Meeting); second by Commissioner Thomas; approved by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Will Carter talked about the HBPOA letter from September 2021 and the need for a concrete pier instead of the proposed wooden pier.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REQUIRED ITEMS RELATED TO THE PROPOSED GO BOND REFERENDUM

Interim Town Manager Ferguson said the Board held the required public hearing. There are documents the Board needs to approve if they want to move forward with the next steps.

Motion by Commissioner Thomas to adopt the bond order and to adopt Resolution 25-07 and direct the town clerk to publish the Notice of Adoption.

Commissioner Thomas amended her motion to adopt the bond order without change or amendment and direct the town clerk to publish notice of adoption of the bond order, entitled “Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of \$7,300,000 General Obligation Improvement Bonds of the Town of Holden Beach, North Carolina” and to approve

Resolution 25-07, Setting a Special Bond Referendum and Directing the Publication of Notice of a Special Bond Referendum and Notification of the Board of Elections; second by Mayor Pro Tem Myers.

Commissioner Paarfus said with the bond referendum, the Town is asking for permission to issue bonds. We will not actually be issuing bonds yet. The worst case is \$7.3 million in bonds. He believes the voters should decide if this tool should be available should the pier move forward. In order for this to happen, the Board of Elections needs information by September 5th. We have been on an aggressive schedule to meet the referendum deadline. He understands it is not great if you own property here, but if you don't live here, you don't vote here. He said this is not an ideal situation, but it is significantly better than when the pier was purchased and the PARTF grant was done. Commissioner Paarfus said if the referendum is approved, it still needs to be approved by the Local Government Commission (LGC) in February. Due to the aggressive schedule, we didn't have time to complete enough engineering to get an actual opinion of probable cost. What we got was the worst-case number of \$7.3 million. He hopes the Board will continue the engineering work to get a 60% design and an actual opinion of probable cost, versus this worst-case number. Commissioner Paarfus said the Board needs to do something because the Town is constrained by the PARTF grant. He thinks the attorney will explain the conditions of that contract in September. He said once we have the 60% plan and probable cost, we can talk to state, federal and county resources to start trying for other financing. While that is going on, it will leave time for the Board, staff and financial advisor to evaluate other Town resources that could be obligated to reduce the bond amount and to develop funding strategies. He anticipates the Town will conduct a survey of all property owners after all this goes forward. He compared the process to a home equity loan. Commissioner Paarfus went over cost drivers for the not to exceed number. He believes the tool should be available and the Town should survey the taxpayers once it has some reasonable numbers.

Commissioner Thomas supports the referendum because it lets the voters decide whether or not they want to pay for the pier, unlike when we bought the pier property where the five commissioners decided against what the voters/homeowners wanted. She thinks it is important so the voters can decide if the Town spends the money. She said there have been questions on if the Board can still go forward with the pier if the referendum doesn't pass. The answer is yes, but she would never vote to go forward with the pier and spend the money that the voters just said they didn't want to spend. She said the Town would never get a loan because the LGC wouldn't support it, but savings could be used. The pier is an amenity. Commissioner Thomas said there are other things that savings need to be spent on which are sand replenishment, a new fire house, stormwater mitigation and sewer station maintenance. She said occupancy taxes have not gone down since the pier was closed in 2022. She said we have asked our lobbyist to see if they could find grants for the pier and made it a priority for the last two years. Both times they said there are no funds available for a new pier.

Mayor Pro Tem Myers said he is convinced the Town will need to borrow money to finance the pier for this amount on the table. That is going to require LGC approval of the loan to borrow money. Given our prior experience with the LGC for the purchase of the property, it was tough. The only way he thinks the Town will have a viable chance of getting LGC approval to have general obligation bonds where we pledge the ability to tax taxpayers as collateral, requires a voter referendum. Mayor Pro Tem Myers said in his mind, if the Town does not go forward with the referendum, the Town will not be able to borrow money. The LGC will not approve it. We would basically be voting tonight not to have the pier. In his mind, the Town needs to put it to the voters, have the referendum and the Town will be in a position to go the LGC. He is voting to continue on the path and see where it takes the Town.

Commissioner Dyer stated this is a tool. The bond referendum gives the Board seven years to make decisions on if they want to use the bonds or not. The amount is a worst-case scenario. She doesn't think the taxpayers should have to pay for the full amount of the pier but doesn't think it is not doable to go other routes. Donations have been offered to the Town. She has tried three times to put a public private partnership (PPP) on the agenda, but it was removed. We have debt services that are coming off. BPART has about \$1.3 million getting ready to come off. She said she is not saying that infrastructure is not important, but if we are going to continue to take accommodations taxes, we do have an obligation to provide certain things that are recreational. If you look at the land acquisition, the parking and camping is paying most of the debt service down. She said that money is going towards that. She said a majority of the people who camp and park there are not property owners. That gives proof that people want to help pay for things happening over here. If you let the community do donations and if you let PPPs in, she doesn't see how we couldn't raise money to bring the tax burden down. If you vote for the referendum, at least this gives us the opportunity to see what we can raise and bring into the Town.

Commissioner Smith agreed the bond referendum is a good idea. It is still like taxation without representation. He referred to Commissioner Paarfus' idea of letting the Town put out a survey that would ask the questions unbiasedly. He said there are different ways to ask the question to get the answer you want. He said if you just ask the questions and put the facts out, all the property owners would have the chance to have their input. He doesn't think it will do any good if you have somebody that will skew it to the point where they are directing you to an answer. Commissioner Smith said the Town needs to hear from all the property owners, residents and everyone who loves this place, lives here and want to make it a better place.

Commissioner Paarfus stated the water and sewer stuff lives under an enterprise fund and he doesn't think the Town can put BPART funds into the water and sewer arena, that is a separate issue. There are also rules for what is done in the General Fund. Keep in mind that it is not just one basket of money. We have different colors of money just like the federal government. Finance Director McRainey agreed.

The motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION DIRECTING ARCHITECT REGARDING CONCERT VENUE

Interim Town Manager Ferguson provided background and introduced Randy Baker from Pinnacle Architecture. Commissioner Paarfus would like the whole area of Block Q, Jordan Boulevard and the old pavilion site to be looked at comprehensively. In his mind, the goal is for the Board to start fleshing out guidelines for the professional engineer for the master plan. The engineer can then put something together. He provided an example of what can be established in that area. He thinks the Board needs to give the requirements and then the professional can see what he can come up with. Interim Town Manager Ferguson explained if the Board chooses to go back in the direction Commissioner Paarfus is suggesting, you are looking at a bigger footprint than just placing things on Block Q, which means you would have to send it back out for a Request for Qualifications. That falls outside the scope of work they have been contracted for. Commissioner Dyer said the Board voted a couple of meetings ago to proceed with the stage. She said we have it in the budget to do the stage. The concert series needs to be moved to Block Q. Commissioner Smith said he doesn't think the concert venue will cause any issues with any other development on the property. He talked about the importance of a concert venue. He asked for proposals of what the stage may look like.

Motion by Commissioner Smith to allow him to do some drawings on a stage for the concerts that in his opinion won't interfere with anything else we are going to put on that property.

Commissioner Smith amended his motion to ask Mr. Baker and his group to do some drawings on a concert venue that will not affect future development; second by Commissioner Dyer.

Interim Town Manager Ferguson said Mr. Baker's current scope of work is for a master plan. She asked that the motion be amended to request a proposal for the drawings.

Commissioner Smith agreed to add it. Town Clerk Finnell read the motion as to ask Mr. Baker and his group to do a proposal for the drawings for a concert venue that will not affect the other items on the site. Commissioners Smith and Dyer agreed with the language.

Mayor Pro Tem Myers stated the Board has been criticized for spending money, taking actions and not having a plan. He is conflicted because the Town needs a concert venue. It seems if one is put there it would be a good use of it, but we will have a dance floor, impervious service and will need a stormwater plan. He sees the need for a master plan to make sure this can be done without causing other things to fall off the table. He stated Block Q is our last big piece of commercial property and could be the centerpiece of the island. Commissioner Thomas said in April she brought a proposal for a comprehensive plan and was talked out of it because there was a little money left in the budget and we could move forward with just the bandstand. She does see the value of doing a comprehensive plan of the entire area under the bridge. She thinks the Town needs to take our time to do it right.

Commissioner Dyer said in April they all agreed to move forward with the stage. She said they tried to do boat parking two years ago and they voted against that. They tried to do the stormwater plan for the entire area that they already paid for and they voted against that. She asked if it is correct that the stage will be in an area of where the stormwater was done for the bathrooms. Mr. Baker replied that the stormwater plan that was done a couple of years ago wouldn't impede any future development on that site. They have a permit for it and you could reenact that permit. Commissioner Dyer would like to move forward with the stage. She is tired of nothing getting done for two years that makes the community happy. She asked how much money the Town is going to waste hiring firms. She talked about the process. Commissioner Paarfus said he didn't vote to move forward in April.

The motion failed. The vote was 2 - 3 with Commissioners Smith and Dyer voting for the motion and Mayor Pro Tem Myers and Commissioners Thomas and Paarfus voting against the motion.

DISCUSSION ON HDR'S SUMMARY REPORT FOR 30% SCOPE FOR THE PIER

Interim Town Manager Ferguson explained HDR has been working on the 30% scope of work for the pier. The Board saw the draft report at the July meeting. The final report is being presented for this meeting. Will Fuller said the report has been finalized. He did get the final comments about the drawings. They will integrate those if 60% comes to fruition. They are currently developing the scope. Mayor Pro Tem Myers said if the referendum passes, they will move forward full speed ahead. If it fails, they will stop and regroup to figure it out from there. He doesn't see the Board making a decision between now and the referendum. Commissioner Paarfus said he doesn't agree; the referendum is a tool. He said they need to get to an opinion of probable cost. He provided information what that would entail. He thinks the Board needs to accept the 30% report and evaluate the scope when it comes back next month. Interim Town Manager Ferguson said there was an additional action item on scope that was removed from the agenda. When the next proposal comes in, it would be up to two commissioners to add it to the next agenda if the Board wants to entertain it.

Motion by Commissioner Paarfus to accept the 30% deliverables from HDR; second by Commissioner Thomas; approved by a 4 – 1 vote with Mayor Pro Tem Myers and Commissioners Thomas, Dyer and Paarfus voting for the motion and Commissioner Smith voting in the negative.

POLICE REPORT – LIEUTENANT DILWORTH

- July is typically a busy month. Have two trainees which could account for some of the additional numbers.
- Traditional schools start next week. Buses will be back on road.
- Be mindful – suggested staying less than knee deep due to storm.

INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT REPORT – INSPECTIONS DIRECTOR EVANS

- Explained the Town would need to wait until we have the 60% report for the pier until they can apply for permits.
- Went over numbers from report. Still busy.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT

- Everything is tracking good. A lot of entries were not put in at the time of report. Been very busy with the audit. Will update that next month.

INTERIM TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT – INTERIM TOWN MANAGER FERGUSON

- Greensboro Street Lift Station – The sixth application for payment with our funding agency has been submitted. Based on the timeline for construction, it is 82% complete. The projected work for the next 30 days is listed in the packet.
- Block Q Restrooms – the contractor needed to have the structural engineer out to reevaluate some of the work performed. There was a meeting with the contractor, Pinnacle and the structural engineer on August 7th. Went over past work period of performance. Introduced Caleb Chavez, the contractor, for a question-and-answer session with the Board and staff.

Mayor Pro Tem Myers suggested having a monthly report from the Public Works Department added to the agenda.

- Ocean Boulevard Stormwater – the Wilmington District is still getting us back a PPA.
- Pier Site – the Board received the 30% report tonight. Addressed how the future scope could come back once the Board receives the proposals.
- GO Bond Referendum – advertised as required on August 3rd. Had public hearings this past Saturday and tonight.
- NC Resilient Coastal Communities Program – the Town received a technical assistance award through the program. That money doesn't come directly to us. It goes to the firm selected to work with us, which is ESP Associates. Staff has a meeting scheduled with them on September 9th.
- Employee Updates – Chris Benton is our new Public Works director. Officer Camara is back. Went over department shoutouts.
- Dredging – was updated by the Corps at the Shallow Draft Inlet meeting at the end of July that the planned July/August dredge has now been moved to September/October. We were pushed because there was emergency dredging in other states. For the bend widener project, she received an email that they are estimating \$1.5 million, which our share would be 25%. She anticipates the Board will be acting on a budget amendment in the September meeting to add funds to the Lockwood Folly Dredging line.

- Congressman Rouzer sponsored the Lockwood Folly inlet as an appropriations request. It passed the House Appropriations Committee at \$900,000. Will continue to watch how the federal budget unfolds.
- FEMA on the House side passed HR4669, which is asking that FEMA become an independent Cabinet level agency. There is no current Senate companion bill.
- Went over objectives list.

Commissioner Thomas asked about the completion date of the lift station. Interim Town Manager Ferguson responded it is the end of October. Commissioner Thomas inquired what the Town is asking them to do with the \$70,000 for the NC Resilient Coastal Communities Program. Interim Town Manager Ferguson responded they look at everything as far as resilience and what the Town needs. They work with the Town to coordinate what they will work on.

NEW FIRE STATION RESEARCH PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION FROM THE BOARD

Inspections Director Evans provided background information and reviewed his slideshow. He provided 2022 Census information and detailed the number of structures and vacant lots on the island. He went over factors to consider for the need of a full-time station on the island. Factors include traffic during tourist season, average age of residents, length of the island and response time.

The needs assessment determined we need three bays, decontamination room, tool room, sleeping for seven people, one office, exercise room, day room, conference area and a fire pole or slide. Usable square feet is 8,757, total square footage is 9,657, total impervious is 7,200 square feet and the staging area is 2,520 square feet. Inspections Director Evans went over dimensions for the ground floor and what it would include. The ground floor would be 4,185 square feet. On the second floor, the total area would be 2,857. Total square footage would be 7,042. Additional work would allow for four bays. The staging area would be reduced. He said the site will accommodate the proposed building and he thinks numbers show the Town needs a full-time staffed fire station.

Inspections Director Evans thinks the Town is to the point that the Board needs to see if they want to put it in the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

Fire Chief Todd went over staffing and how the mainland fire station that is being constructed is being funded. Commissioner Thomas asked if some of the money from the fire fees would be used for the proposed station. Fire Chief Todd replied no. The property on the island belongs to the Town. They contract with the Town to provide services. Inspections Director Evans explained the Tri-Beach Fire Department would be manning it, but it would be the Town's station. Mayor Holden said the Brunswick County mayors met last week and the subject was fire fees. No decisions have been made by the county commissioners. There are 19 towns in the county, each fire department has a unique situation. Mayor Holden explained

he was involved in getting the current location for the Town. That location was dictated to the Town by Raleigh. Where the department can be located was discussed. Mayor Holden said it is getting ready to change and until we know what the county commissioner decides, it makes it difficult to know what to do. Options being deliberated by the county were discussed.

Inspections Director Evans went over how they determined the cost estimates. The total cost is \$3,375,000, based off a Class 4 estimate. He detailed what Class 4 is. He provided information about the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan and the CRS Program and explained the benefits of adding the fire station to the CIP.

Motion by Commisioner Paarfus that we do include it in the CIP; second by Commissioner Thomas.

How to proceed with adding it to the CIP was discussed. Adding it three years out and waiting until next year versus adding it now was discussed.

The motion passed by unanimous vote.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO TASK THE AUDIT COMMITTEE WITH ADVISING THE BOARD REGARDING POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE COLLECTION OF OCCUPANCY TAX REVENUES

Mayor Pro Tem Myers stated this is carryover from last month. The attorney researched it and provided her opinion.

Motion to task the Audit Committee with advising this Board regarding potential improvements to the collection of occupancy revenue; second by Commissioner Thomas; approved by a 3 – 2 vote with Mayor Pro Tem Myers and Commissioners Thomas and Paarfus voting for the motion and Commissioners Smith and Dyer voting in the negative.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO TASK THE AUDIT COMMITTEE WITH ADVISING THE BOARD REGARDING POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE MANAGEMENT OF THE BPART FUND BALANCE

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Myers to task the Audit Committee with advising the Board regarding potential improvements to the management of the BPART Fund Balance; second by Commissioner Thomas; approved by a 3 – 2 vote with Mayor Pro Tem Myers and Commissioners Thomas and Paarfus voting for the motion and Commissioners Smith and Dyer voting in the negative.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 25-13, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 25-11, THE REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 – 2026 (AMENDMENT NO. 2)

Interim Town Manager Ferguson said the Corps had underruns in their budget for the AIWW Crossing Project in fiscal years 2020, 2022 and 2024. The proposed budget amendment addresses that. The county did provide funding to the Town that was passed to the Corps as part of these projects. We will need to send a little over \$52,000 back to county. She thinks it is appropriate for the money to go back to the Beach and Inlet Capital Reserve Fund since the funding was originally taken from that fund.

Motion by Commissioner Thomas to approve Ordinance 25-13 (Ordinance Amending Ordinance 25-11, The Revenues and Appropriations Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2025 – 2026, Amendment No. 2); second by Mayor Pro Tem Myers; approved by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON GENERAL ITEMS

Chad Hock would like to see reports back from the meetings Mayor Holden attends. He thinks it was mentioned that the attorney will be spelling out the LGC requirements in September. That will have a lot of impact on what can be done. He said the Board didn't finish the site plan discussion for Block Q.

Will Carter congratulated Chris Benton. He suggested using the property at the corner of Greensboro and Ocean Boulevard for the fire station and provided information on why he thinks it is a good idea. He talked about HBPOA participation.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

- It is the season to be on the lookout for storms and to plan accordingly. Encouraged people not signed up for the blast to sign up. A lot of times what comes across from the news media is not correct, especially in this AI world we are in.
- Thanks for being here.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Myers

- Thanks for coming and for people listening online and for being involved. Thanks for providing your input during the public information session. Have a good evening.

Commissioner Smith

- Thanked our police staff. Noticed they have stopped quite a few more LSVs for violations. It is a blessing to see that because they will save someone's life.
- Sometimes is disappointed with some of the things that go on at Holden Beach.

Commissioner Thomas

- Thanked everyone for coming out. It was a good turnout for the public hearing. Based on the vote tonight there will be a referendum on the November ballot. Urged people to get out to vote and make your feelings known how you want to proceed with the \$7.3 million bond issue.

Commissioner Dyer

- Thanked Interim Town Manager Ferguson for the shoutout to our employees.
- Advised Public Works Director Benton he has tough shoes to fill, but she thinks he has shown he can do it.
- In the four years she has been up here. she never felt she had to defend herself, but she was pointed out by fingers tonight. When she was a commissioner during the purchase of the pier property, she was accused of not listening to the property owners. The HBPOA had a meeting and contacted the LGC to have the Town removed from the agenda after a contract was placed on the pier. After the removal, several property owners from across from the pier property, which is 400 homes, contacted the LGC because they were scared that they were going to lose their access. We needed emergency access. The LGC put us back on the agenda. She took that as a response from people saying that is what they wanted. She is confused when people say she wasn't listening to the property owners. Thought the Town should have purchased the entire property. We are getting revenue from parking and camping. It would have been a beautiful place to put a fire station because there would have been rescue right out to the ocean. She doesn't know why it was a poor purchase; it has doubled in price. We would have liked to see a restaurant there. Tried on three occasions to have a PPP. Need to have some recreational activity there. Has been accused of wasting taxpayers' money. The interest for the pier property cost the Town \$150,000 because we waited a month since when we were taken off the agenda and put back on when property owners requested it. Hopefully we can still use the stormwater plan for Block Q. It was about \$26,000, but it was voted not to use it. We had to pay out the fired town manager's \$160,000 salary for a year. We hired a firm to hire a town manager when we had an interim manager so that was tax dollars spent. The pier building demolition – tried to get a PPP but was told let's not rush the building but then had to tear it down with no plan to put it back. That is about \$500,000. Apologized to the community, Interim Town Manager Ferguson and the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board about the importance of needing a stage. This isn't a private beach. The community across the bridge is part of this beach. We received tax money to put sand on the beach with the FEMA project. We received federal money and accommodations tax to pay for that. Community is supporting us paying for parking and coming to the campground. Need to take into consideration it is not just a small group of people, it is a community. It was in the budget and the Board agreed to move forward with just the stage and now we are backpedaling again.

Commissioner Paarfus

- Thanks for coming out and for participating in the public hearing.

CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTE 143-318.11(A)(6), TO CONSIDER THE QUALIFICATIONS OF PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES AND NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTE 143-318.11(A)(3), CONSULT WITH THE ATTORNEY

Motion to go into Executive Session by Commissioner Paarfus at 7:55 p.m.; second by Commissioner Thomas; approved by unanimous vote.

Town Clerk Finnell read the reason for Closed Session.

OPEN SESSION

The Board went into Open Session at 8:10 p.m.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT FOR TOWN MANAGER

Motion to accept the town manager contract by Commissioner Thomas; second by Mayor Pro Tem Myers; approved by unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Thomas at 8:11 p.m.; second by Mayor Pro Tem Myers; approved by unanimous vote.

J. Alan Holden, Mayor

ATTEST:

Heather Finnell, Town Clerk