



TOWN OF SURFSIDE BEACH ♦ TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

August 25, 2009 ♦ 6:30 P.M.

TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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8 **1. CALL TO ORDER**

9 Mayor Pro Tem Truett called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Truett  
10 and Councilmembers Johnson, Martin, Samples and Childs were present. Mayor Deaton  
11 and Councilmember Blair were absent. A quorum was present. Staff present:  
12 Administrator Booth; Clerk Pinnell, Police Chief Christenson, Fire Chief Packard,  
13 Public Works Director Taylor and Finance Treasurer Hursey. Attorney Mr. Smith was  
14 also present.

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16 **2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

17 Rabbi Weissman of Temple Shalom Reform Congregation gave the invocation. Mayor  
18 Pro Tem Truett led the pledge of allegiance.

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20 **3. AGENDA APPROVAL**

21 Mr. Johnson made a motion to amend the minutes to change line 26 from Ms. to Mr.  
22 Mr. Samples seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the approval of the agenda  
23 as submitted with change. MOTION CARRIED.

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25 **4. MINUTES APPROVAL**

26 Mr. Samples made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 11, 2009 meeting  
27 as submitted. Mr. Childs seconded the motion. All voted in favor. MOTION  
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30 **5. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items only – 3 minutes per speaker**

31 There were no public comments.

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33 **6. COMMUNICATIONS**

34 **a. *Acknowledgement: Sharon Leahey, Business License: 5 Years of Dedicated***  
35 ***Service:***

36 Sharon Leahey was recognized for 5 years of dedicated service with accolades made  
37 by both Mr. Booth and Ms. Hursey.

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39 **b. *Finance Report***

40 **i. *Auditors Report: Presentation by Harper, Poston and Moree***

41 Mr. Bob Harper gave his short presentation on the executive summary he  
42 handed out to councilmembers. This report was based on the accrual basis of  
43 accounting. Executive Summary FYE 3/31/09

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45 Mr. Samples asked about the change in cash from the previous year to the  
46 year ended March 31, 2009. Mr. Samples suggested that council look at  
47 pages 17 and 18; unrestricted but designated funds and pages 20 and 21  
48 which speaks to change in cash and page 43 and 44; notes 15 and 16 which  
49 relates to the overall audit and speaks to projects which began in the previous  
50 year but were not fully paid for, which includes the 2.1 million fire station.  
51 Mr. Harper stated that at the end of the current year there is a cash and cash

52 equivalence of \$4,823,000 which is noted on page 20 and 21 that the  
53 beginning fund balance for the entity was \$7,000,000 and the ending fund  
54 balance of the entity is \$6,181,000; when you look at the total fund balance in  
55 relationship to the total assets of the town this is a very strong position; it is  
56 not an excessive position but a very strong position; one of being very  
57 fiscally responsible.

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59 Mr. Truett thanked Mr. Harper and commented that the town has had 20  
60 straight years of receiving awards for accounting.

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62 Mr. Samples had some questions regarding the financial report. Mr. Samples  
63 stated that he hopes that the decrease in hospitality and atax is not a long-  
64 term trend but the fact of the matter is they are decreasing and that the town  
65 needs to be cognizant of. Mr. Samples stated that he, Mr. Truett and Mr.  
66 Martin sat on council during very good times for the town which has enabled  
67 the town to go out and purchase a pier and to construct a fire station but he  
68 would certainly not manage his home in anticipation that revenues are going  
69 to return to the way they were. Mr. Booth agreed, adding that the budget had  
70 been reduced by 20 percent. Mr. Samples stated that the expenditures,  
71 overall, are ahead of what was budgeted and Mr. Booth stated that these  
72 expenditures will be reviewed very carefully if this is the trend.

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74 Mr. Samples stated that every municipal association course he has attended  
75 has said that council needs to have monthly financial reports and asked if  
76 council has been receiving them every other month. Ms. Hursey stated that  
77 the town did not do a June report due to a workshop that was scheduled but it  
78 is not normally every other month; it is normally every month that council  
79 receives a report.

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81 Mr. Martin stated that in addition to the executive summary, the council had  
82 received the comprehensive annual financial report and added that there is a  
83 lot of information there and added that he assumes it would be on the website  
84 for everyone to review; one of the items that struck Mr. Martin was that the  
85 total taxable property for which the town receives property tax has decreased  
86 for the first time and decreased significantly by over 20 million dollars. Mr.  
87 Martin stated that this is more than likely due to properties selling for less  
88 than they have been and part of it is due to new assessments of property.

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90 **c. *Public Works Report***

91 Mr. Booth reported on the pavement and sidewalk plan. Mr. Booth requested  
92 council to review the plan he handed out to them and anticipates making changes.  
93 Mr. Booth stated that he would like to create a document for council to have so that  
94 they could inform the public upon inquiries as to various sidewalk and paving  
95 projects. Mr. Booth stated that there are various recommendations for Highway 17  
96 as well and once this is approved he can go to the State with the request. The list  
97 also provides council with a list of State roads and when the anticipated time frame  
98 would be for the town to take some of them over.  
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100 Mr. Childs asked if 13<sup>th</sup> North was a recommended area for a traffic light to be  
101 installed. Mr. Booth stated that it is not recommended in the report but he cannot  
102 speak for the council; it would be their decision. Mr. Booth added that he is  
103 requesting guidance from council on this report. Most of the towns concerns are that  
104 there has been an increase in accidents on Highway 17 and this is due primarily to  
105 the crossovers. Mr. Booth stated that he feels that most of the crossovers should be  
106 closed. Mr. Booth reported that 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue S. is 5 years from being funded and the  
107 town has an opportunity to place one more stop light somewhere on the north end.  
108 Mr. Booth requested recommendations from council on where a stop light should go  
109 or if council does not feel the need for one at all.

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111 Mr. Samples asked if there were statistics available for council to review to make a  
112 decision. Mr. Booth stated that council would be given the statistics. Mr. Samples  
113 asked when recommendations for the stop lights were due in. Mr. Booth stated that  
114 he will get information to council and then will request recommendations soon after  
115 that.

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117 Mr. Truett stated that he feels that if the town wants something changed on the  
118 frontage roads the town would need to submit a plan to the State.

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120 Mr. Martin asked Mr. Booth to list the recommendations for public information. Mr.  
121 Booth stated the recommendations: a traffic light needs to be placed on 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
122 South, this is the Water Park area and there is a tremendous amount of traffic in that  
123 area; 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North turnout needs to be closed; Pine Avenue North turnout also  
124 needs to be closed; the turnout lane in front of California Pizza, this needs to be  
125 totally re-engineered, the town will ask for assistance from Waccamaw on this area;  
126 and the 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North intersection area needs better signage. This is a State road  
127 and the town is not allowed to put signage up.

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129 Mr. Taylor presented stormwater committee recommendations. Fishing docks,  
130 gazebos and palms would be placed in lake areas to enhance them. It was confirmed  
131 that the plans submitted on Dogwood and Floral Lake were engineered by  
132 Earthworks. Mr. Samples stated that this is budgeted and would like to see it get  
133 under contract before the construction industry turns around.

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135 **Recreation Report**

136 Mr. Booth reported that signs will go up in town to advertise the recent Dixie League  
137 Youth win adding that it is a great recognition for the town. Mr. Truett stated that  
138 they not only won the World Series title but were also recognized on the State and  
139 National level with sportsmanship awards.

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141 Mr. Booth reported that the town will no longer provide football; the county has now  
142 taken it over. The town is in the process of negotiation on the equipment. Mr. Booth  
143 reported that the town is starting the over 30 Fall softball league. The town will hold  
144 a bike safety rodeo for kids under 14. Mr. Truett added that this is an educational  
145 program for kids on bicycle safety and it is for kids from 5 to 14. Mr. Booth stated  
146 that the town would like to do more of these types of events to provide a quality of  
147 life for the kids. Mr. Booth stated that the town will be discussing having a  
148 skateboard park; the kids in town really want one. It was reported that the End of

149 Summer Celebration will be held September 6<sup>th</sup> at the pier; the beach sweep will be  
150 held September 19<sup>th</sup> and the Skyhoundz disc contest will be held on September 12<sup>th</sup>.  
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152 Mr. Childs stated that the Sunday Serenades have been very successful with two  
153 being left for the season.  
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155 **7. BUSINESS**

156 **A. *Decision Paper: Fire Apparatus***

157 Fire Chief Packard stated that the request for new fire apparatus was discussed last  
158 November at the budget retreat. The direction from council to go out for RFPs was  
159 also discussed. Chief Packard stated that this is still the direction that staff would  
160 like to go. This would allow a future discussion on real money, real interest rates  
161 and real time. Information has been received from some of the vendors to let Chief  
162 Packard know that once the 2010 EPA compliance engines come on line which  
163 should be in the middle of October 2009; the additional cost of equipment will be  
164 approximately \$36,000 per unit with a reoccurring cost of \$3,000-\$4,000 per unit per  
165 year for the life of the vehicle. Refurbishing the existing ladder truck was discussed;  
166 this cost would be approximately \$587,000. Chief Packard asked for direction from  
167 council; should staff go out for RFP's, should staff look at demonstrators and asked  
168 what would council like to attempt to accomplish from now until the next time he  
169 meets with council.  
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171 Mr. Martin asked what the additional \$36,000 includes to meet the 2010  
172 requirements. Chief Packard stated that in this is the addition of the 2010 EPA  
173 which is an aqueous solution that is injected into the engine during travel at a ratio of  
174 20 to 1. It also causes the trucks that are now getting between 8 and 10 miles a  
175 gallon to drop to then get between 5 to 6 miles per gallon but the emissions are  
176 considerably better. The consumption of the fuel products is greatly impacted. The  
177 cost to bring an engine into compliance is approximately \$16,000. Maintenance cost  
178 to the new engines would significantly increase as the components attached to the  
179 engine to reduce emissions will not only have to be monitored more closely but they  
180 will have to be cleaned and replaced with an estimated cost of \$3,000 per year. The  
181 current price of diesel fuel is \$2.63 per gallon, the aqueous solution is an additional  
182 \$3 to \$4.50 per gallon; the life of the truck would cost an additional \$69,000 over a  
183 period of 20 years for maintenance and the added solution. Chief Packard stated that  
184 the town now has the opportunity to continue with the 8-10 mile per gallon trucks  
185 without the additional \$36,000 or \$69,000 cost for the life of the truck if these  
186 engines are purchased sometime within the next 4 to 6 weeks.  
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188 Mr. Childs stated that this fire truck issue is very confusing and if the town can go  
189 out for a \$50,000 parking study he would like to see the town use an outside  
190 consultant to evaluate this. Mr. Childs stated that council does not have the  
191 knowledge to make this decision and feels an independent study needs to be done  
192 and a recommendation would then need to be presented to council. Mr. Samples  
193 stated that he feels the town needs to prioritize; there has to be a preferred  
194 replacement order. Mr. Samples stated that he does see the sense in replacing the  
195 entire fleet and asked for Chief Packard to supply all possible options.  
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197 Mr. Booth reported that a ladder truck runs approximately \$900,000 and is a major  
198 piece of equipment. There is one fire truck that really needs to be replaced and he  
199 would like to go out for RFP on this. The town needs to look at the taxes coming in  
200 and possibly the following year the town could replace number 2 and the town could  
201 possibly do some upgrading of the ladder truck; it could put \$30,000 to \$40,000 and  
202 bring the standard up then continue to update it until it is operational. Mr. Booth  
203 stated that he would look for direction from council and if council decided to replace  
204 all of the trucks they would redirect their resources towards this. Mr. Martin stated  
205 that our neighbors to the North indicated that they change their equipment every 7  
206 years and since the Surfside Beach equipment is over 18 years old perhaps the town  
207 could get the 7 year old equipment from them. Mr. Booth stated that he spoke with  
208 the Fire Chief there and he indicated that the town would not be pleased with the  
209 equipment due to the fact that they put a lot of miles on their equipment and when  
210 they turn it in it is well used and they would not recommend the town take over their  
211 used equipment. Mr. Samples stated that if the town purchased all new equipment  
212 then they would all age at the same time and the town would then run into the same  
213 problem at a later date where the town would need to replace the entire fleet. Mr.  
214 Samples stated that the town used to have a capital replacement plan and was not  
215 sure if they had adhered to it and Mr. Booth confirmed that the town did have a plan  
216 that was not adhered to. Mr. Booth stated that each budget year the staff will review  
217 each piece of equipment. Mr. Booth stated that one of the fire trucks really needs to  
218 be replaced. Mr. Booth stated that studies run around \$30,000 to \$40,000. Mr.  
219 Booth recommended that the town go out for RFP and see what the cost of one of the  
220 trucks would be. Mr. Johnson stated that he agrees to go out for pricing and would  
221 like to see prices. Mr. Truett stated that the age of these vehicles are from 1987,  
222 1988, 1994 and a 2000. Mr. Booth stated that the oldest truck is a ladder truck but it  
223 would be a \$900,000 investment. Mr. Truett stated that he would like to see all 4  
224 vehicles priced and then the council could have a workshop to evaluate. Mr.  
225 Samples made a motion to authorize the administrator to seek line item bids for  
226 replacement of each piece of equipment for further consideration by council and  
227 advertise for at least 30 days. Mr. Martin seconded the motion. **All voted in favor.**  
228 **MOTION CARRIED.**

229 B. *Decision Paper: Façade Grant Application, Floyd Law Firm*

230 Mr. Booth stated that this was the first application for a façade grant offered by the  
231 town. This had gone through the beautification committee. \$5,000 is the limit that  
232 could possibly be given and the cost of the project amounted to approximately  
233 \$21,000 and the beautification committee recommends allowing \$5,000. Mr. Martin  
234 made a motion to approve the beautification recommendation. Mr. Johnson  
235 seconded the motion. It was confirmed by Mr. Booth that this was budgeted and that  
236 allowing the façade grant was approved by council a few meetings prior. Mr.  
237 Samples stated he did not agree with approving the application since it appeared that  
238 the business owner was going to proceed with the work either way. Mr. Martin  
239 stated that he feels that this improvement is exactly what the town is trying to  
240 encourage and it sets a precedence and it is in a very visible area. Mr. Booth stated  
241 that a packet would be sent to businesses to let them know about the façade grant.  
242 Mr. Johnson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Truett and Mr. Childs voted for the motion. Mr.  
243 Samples voted against. **MOTION CARRIED.**  
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**8. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*Kathy Goddard, 320 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue South:* “There are a lot of you that go to Nibil’s Restaurant and enjoy the family that run the place and the restaurant and I’ve been out of town and in town but there is such a controversy going on of unfairness, accusations and I love that restaurant and it’s the only place families can go and have breakfast and I would like to see this town, with all the businesses, embrace them a little more and encourage them; not makes things difficult and I don’t know where it’s coming from or what’s going on but I am willing to stand up and say that I enjoy going there; our family enjoys going there and I would hope that we could resolve this without pointing fingers at anyone and just put this to rest with other businesses; that we can just embrace them and they’ve been an asset to this community and I just think it’s time for some peace in this town and conversations need to cease; I just think it would be better for the town but I do not want to see Nibil’s pushed out of town and I thank you and one thing I’d like to say also is that we were out of town and this fire department and this police department saved our home this year. They spent many hours crawling our house, back and forth to our house; we almost lost our house if it wasn’t for this fire department and I am eternally grateful because there’s things in there of my mother and my parents, I could never have replaced and I support the fire department and the police department and I’m proud that I live in this town with them. Thank you.”

*Randle Stevens, 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North:* “What I want to relay to you is a little story that actually happened a couple of weeks ago and as you know I live right across from the library in the Veteran’s Park and a family was over there from out of town visiting and the little girl was having, I think it was a little birthday party, and they were cooking hotdogs and stuff like that and the little girl was running around and she fell down. Well she fell down right in a big pile of it that was left by somebody’s dog. I went over there and there happened to be a fellow with a dog over there and they accused him, of course there was some cussin’ and fussin’ and the guy with the dog showed them his proverbial finger and IQ and then left. The point I’m making about this is, the other day I walked in here, I believe it was Monday, excuse me it was Friday, walked in and picked up some papers from the front desk area at the town hall and I noticed that they list all the parks and I was kind of looking at it, I don’t think I’ve ever seen this and on the brochure it said ‘no dogs allowed in parks’, so since that time I’ve been kind of looking across the street, Veteran’s Park and the library and Fuller Park and all that and for example Friday or Saturday and Sunday I was working on my yard, doing some work out in the yard and I counted exactly 72 dogs that walked through Veteran’s Park or the library or around Fuller Park, now they didn’t go into Fuller Park because it has a fence around it. Out of that 72 dogs, I would say 10 percent of them had their little bags or their super scooper poopors or whatever you want to call them, and they cleaned up after themselves. The other ones kept walking around and they let their dog go to the gazebo and treat the wood, make sure it didn’t rot. There was one guy from, lives somewhere over here in Deerfield or Caropines with Tennessee plates comes over here all the time and he walks his dog in there. Now I rode around all the parks and I noticed there’s not any signs anywhere that says no dogs are allowed in the parks so I started thinking about it, well who does this duty to notify people, who does it fall on, well, it has to fall on your town administrator and as it says in Section 2-113 :

292 The town administrator shall be chief administrative officer of the town government. He  
293 shall be responsible to the town council for proper administration of the policies and  
294 affairs of the town and to that end shall have power and authority and be required to:  
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296 (1) Direct, supervise and coordinate administrative activities and operations of all town  
297 departments; and number (2) Ensure that all laws and ordinances are enforced;  
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299 In Chapter 3 it has animals, Section 3 cleaning up after pets:  
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301 It shall be unlawful for any owner or person having possession of any dog or other  
302 animal(s), to fail to remove any excrement deposited by said animal(s) on the beach,  
303 accesses, public ways, recreational parks, or any other public property.  
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305 Now I know we can't send the policemen every day to the park but by God we could put  
306 signs up there and say 'no dogs are allowed in these parks' now let's quit this, for  
307 example, yesterday afternoon I was working on my yard, here comes a lady, she walks  
308 by, I'm watching her, she stops right beside the library, in the grass and her dog does her  
309 business. She looked at me, I looked at her and I said, I shook my head and she went on  
310 and I see that every day, 7 days a week, not 24 hours a day but almost from daybreak to  
311 about 9 o'clock, 10 o'clock at night and I think town council, you need to remind  
312 yourself that everything that happens in this town is a direct reflection on you. You  
313 hired the administrator and the administrator works at your leisure and you're elected by  
314 the people. In addition to what we've been talking about and as we're talking about  
315 expenditures; it has come to my attention that this city has spent 40,000 dollars more on  
316 a project where they could have got it 40,000 dollars less. I haven't got all the details  
317 but there's more to come. Thank you."  
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319 **Bill Black, 214 9<sup>th</sup> Ave S.:** "Just wanted to add a little bit of information into the  
320 discussion on fire trucks. I was under the impression that all council has a packet of  
321 information on the fire trucks. If you'll look somewhere in there, there's some  
322 information on leasing and a number of other things, so, some of the questions that you  
323 may be pondering may be answered somewhere in that document. It's not a thousand  
324 pages long like some other documents, but I know there's a lot of reading, but a lot of  
325 work has been put into that and just to make you aware of the fact that there is some  
326 leasing information and some other stuff in there. Thank you very much."  
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328 **Harry Kohlman, 115 7<sup>th</sup> Ave S:** "Just what Mr. Stevens was talking about, a possible  
329 solution is a dog park, oh, that was thought of already, there was a grant gotten already,  
330 it was supposed to be put in prior to the dogs couldn't walk on the beach. Where's the  
331 dog park? This was supposed to be put in April or May? It's now almost September;  
332 this is what the whole idea was to keep the dogs from pooping where they're not  
333 supposed to be. A place for the dogs to run around. It's not been done. You have the  
334 grant, you have the money, do it. Thank you."  
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336 **Charlene Henderson, 612 N Cherry Ave:** "I don't know much about what's going on  
337 with the fire engines and things like that but I'm in healthcare and I truly think it is an  
338 abomination that a town this size and this well thought of is using 20 year old  
339 equipment. I certainly wouldn't use a 20 year old scalpel on anyone of you and that's  
340 the way I see it. These guys do a great job; I think they ought to have the best equipment

341 to keep them safe also, protecting each and every one of your families and homes. On  
342 the other hand, the other side, I also don't know what's going with Nibil's but I do know  
343 that Mr. Jack is an institution in this town that is reflected, beautifully, on what Surfside  
344 is all about, being a family beach, so whatever hard feeling there might be and I truly  
345 don't know the story that's going on but please know that this man is a very big asset to  
346 this town; he's very well liked and thought of; people remember him year to year and  
347 come back to go to Nibil's. That's their vacation place to eat so please consider this  
348 whenever what's going on is going on. Thank you."

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350 **9. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

351 **Mr. Samples:** "Thank you, again, for coming out. I kind of made a list of things rather  
352 than speak off the cuff because that tends to get me into trouble but I did want to  
353 mention something. I wanted to clarify and I know it was an inadvertent statement at the  
354 last meeting as it related to the parking lot; Yaupon, Yaupon parking lot. While the  
355 contractor who did the work was initially awarded a competitive contract and there were  
356 7 competitors, the Yaupon lot was actually done under a modification and was added to  
357 the contract and that is something that staff is going to look into and make some  
358 recommendations as it relates to how we can tighten up, if you will, on the policy for  
359 competitive procurement. Frankly the scope, it just looked kind of funny the way it was  
360 done but we're moving ahead on that.

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362 I wanted to really give kudos to the Public Works department on the lakes. This is the  
363 first year that I can remember not having people, rightfully so, up here, complaining  
364 about the quality, the looks of Lake Elizabeth or Lake Dogwood and the truth of the  
365 matter is, is this is of course, most people know, but if you don't know, this is the first  
366 year that in-house staff took over the job of maintaining the lakes. I've never seen them  
367 look better at this time of the year, so, you remember what they say about, you know,  
368 oneatta boy, but in any event, you guys are doing a good job. There have been a  
369 number of ideas that have been mentioned in public comments that I think we need to  
370 really, as a group, consider. Maybe staff, maybe the administrator can figure out a way  
371 to make them work, like the ride alongs, ok? I think that someone mentioned, in a past  
372 council meeting, I mean, it doesn't hurt to; staff should be proud to show what it is they  
373 do and I think we're a small town. You know, I know I've sat here for a few months, a  
374 year or more and I've heard about how things are changing. Let me tell you something,  
375 I think, as a small town and a small community we need to know each other and we need  
376 to know what staff's doing so I would be, certainly in favor of that and I know Ed would  
377 be too. I could go on, I have a number of other things but I'll leave it with that and say  
378 thank you for coming out and send, like I said before, we don't need to hear the good  
379 news, send us the bad news. My wife is sick of me saying that but, it's the truth."

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381 **Mr. Johnson:** "I'll keep it short and sweet. Thank you for coming out this evening.  
382 You're comments are not falling on deaf ears. Concerning the road situation, we are  
383 going into this phase of looking at the roads; if you have any ideas about any streets or  
384 sidewalks or whatever, please send me an e-mail at [markjohnson@surfsidebeach.org](mailto:markjohnson@surfsidebeach.org), or  
385 any concerns and that is the easiest and quickest and best way to get in touch with  
386 myself or any of the councilmembers. Thank you again for coming out."

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388 **Mr. Martin:** "I'll just add my second to what Mark just said, thank you for coming and  
389 we are easily reachable through e-mail. Please do send your comments. Thank you."



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**Mr. Childs:** "Just a couple things. Mr. Stevens, that is a problem. I've had that problem for a long time. I think they proved that some of our high bacteria levels in the lake come from animal waste. I wish there was an easy solution, if you come up with one, please let us know. There are a lot of responsible pet owners in this town. The other issue, I bet not a week goes by I'm not asked at least one time about Nibil's and all this negative is not coming from this council. I have not heard anybody on this council have one negative thing to say about Nibil's and I don't know where it starts and I can assure you it's not starting from this council, so I just wanted to get that out there. Nobody's after Nibil's and I haven't even heard it suggested. Thank you."

**Mr. Truett:** "I want to thank everybody for coming out tonight and bearing with me. It's been a while since I've done this and I don't know if you know and I feel like I need to say this, Mr. Booth's daughter is in intensive care in California and he's been going back and forth and I think we need to keep him and his family in our prayers and if there's no more comments I will adjourn the meeting. Thank you."

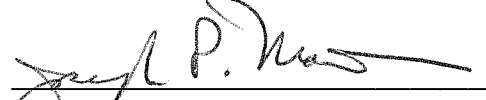
**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Truett adjourned the meeting at 8:00 PM.


Approved: September 8, 2009


  
Sharon Pinnell, Town Clerk

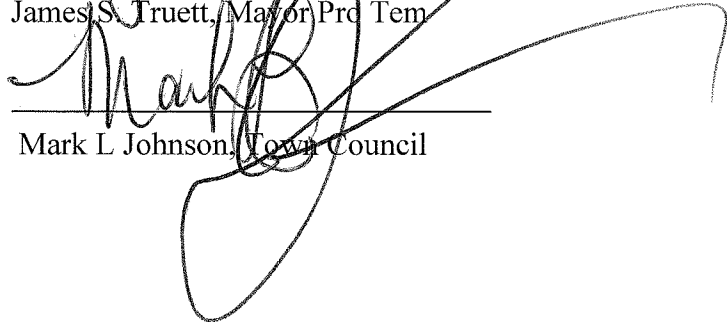
  
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