



**SURFSIDE BEACH TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 27, 2015 ♦ 6:30 P.M.
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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7 **1. CALL TO ORDER.**

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9 Mayor Samples called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Samples, Mayor Pro
10 Tempore Pellegrino, and Councilmembers Johnson, Mabry, Magliette, and Stevens were in attendance.
11 Councilmember Childs was absent due to personal matters. A quorum was present. Others present:
12 Administrator Fellner; Town Clerk Herrmann; Finance Director King; Public Works Director Adair, and
13 Recreation Supervisor Ellis.

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

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17 A. Invocation: Jack Narvel of Youth with a Mission gave the invocation.

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19 B. Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Samples lead the Pledge.

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21 **3. AGENDA APPROVAL**

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23 Ms. Mabry moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Mr. Stevens seconded. All voted in favor.
24 **MOTION CARRIED.**

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26 **4. MINUTES APPROVAL**

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28 A. **Regular Meeting January 13, 2015.** Ms. Mabry moved to adopt the January 13, 2015
29 regular meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Stevens seconded. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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31 B. **Workshop January 20, 2015.** Mr. Stevens moved to adopt the January 20, 2015 workshop
32 action minutes. Ms. Mabry seconded. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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34 **5. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items Only.** (3-minutes per speaker)

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36 There were no public comments.

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38 **6. COMMUNICATIONS**

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40 **A. Waccamaw Market Cooperative, Mr. Blake Lanford 2014 Farmers Market Report.** Mr.
41 Lanford, the regional director for Clemson University Extension, presented the written report, a copy of
42 which is on file. Mr. Lanford explained the benefits of the farmers market to the town's economy. The
43 need for additional parking was brought up and possible locations discussed that might better serve the
44 market and the public. Ms. Ellis was directed to meet with Mr. Lanford to bring recommendations and
45 strategies for Town Council to consider.

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47 **B. Department Reports**

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49 **i. Finance.** Director King presented the departmental report, a copy of which is attached to
50 these minutes and made a part hereof by reference.

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52 Mayor Samples asked that budgeted funds for beach renourishment be transferred into the
53 capital projects fund now instead of waiting doing so quarterly. Ms. King said the hospitality fund
54 allocation could be transferred immediately; but, the accommodations allocation should not be transferred
55 until after the May events funding was determined. Mayor Samples believed that would show a more
56 accurate picture of what Town Council set aside for beach renourishment. The transfer would document

57 the goal of reaching almost \$.5 million at the end of this fiscal year. Mayor Samples asked if Ms. King
58 expected any problem getting the allocated \$39,000 from accommodations taxes. Ms. King said no; it
59 was a cash flow problem in the fund because of the May events.

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61 **ii. Public Works.** Director Adair presented the departmental report, a copy of which is attached
62 to these minutes and made a part hereof by reference.

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64 Mayor Samples congratulated Mr. Adair on obtaining the Erosion Protection and Sediment
65 Control Inspection certification.

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67 Mr. Magliette asked for an update on the weir project. Mr. Adair said the project will cost less
68 than \$10,000. He is in the process of obtaining three written quotes; he expects everything to be
69 completed within the next month or so. Mr. Magliette asked if the engineer's recommendation was to
70 drop the level by 13-inches. Mr. Adair said the goal was to get the level back to its original depth prior to
71 the 7th Avenue weir installation; approximately a foot, to keep the water flowing. Once the lake is the
72 correct height, the steel plate at 7th Avenue would have to be adjusted to keep water flowing from there.
73 Mr. Magliette was concerned about the affected homeowners. He wanted to make sure the actions taken
74 were correct to remediate the problem. Mr. Adair said the weirs would continue to be monitored to ensure
75 water flowed in both directions.

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77 Mayor Samples asked if results could be expected by the end of March or early spring. Mr. Adair
78 said yes, several weeks after the construction was completed results should be seen.

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80 Mr. Pellegrino asked how many 50/50 projects were left to complete. Mr. Adair said there 13 or
81 14 request. The first batch of five estimates were sent about a month ago to which three paid and two
82 declined. The next batch of five letters will be mailed this week. He assumed three of the five would
83 agree. Then, there is a third batch of five that might not be finished this season. Once these groups were
84 completed the program will end.

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86 Mayor Samples asked if Mr. Adair would advise Town Council of upcoming repaving projects.
87 Mr. Adair said in summary that the total cost of projects for street paving since August was \$554,389.49
88 of which \$287,112 was reimbursed by the County Transportation Commission (CTC.) The next group of
89 roads to be paved in the spring prior to the end of this fiscal year includes about two miles of streets at a
90 cost of \$210,000 with about \$200,000 being reimbursed by CTC:

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- 92 • Cherry Drive from Pine Drive to 7th Avenue North
 - 93 • 3rd Avenue North from Poplar Drive to Myrtle Drive where the drainage project was recently done
 - 94 • 2nd Avenue North from Ocean Boulevard to Myrtle Drive North
 - 95 • Myrtle Drive South from Surfside Drive to 10th Avenue South
 - 96 • Moss Drive from Sparrow Drive to 10th Avenue South
 - 97 • Willow Drive from 3rd Avenue South to 2nd Avenue North
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99 Mayor Samples asked if the net cost to the town would be about \$10,000. Mr. Adair said
100 between \$10 and \$20 thousand. Mayor Samples asked if affected homeowners would be notified. Mr.
101 Adair said they would be. Mayor Samples asked Mr. Adair to publish the proposed paving list on the
102 town website. Mayor Samples asked if the town had fire hydrants marked by blue reflectors. Mr. Adair
103 said a few were marked, but most of them were not. Mayor Samples suggested following up on this.

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105 **iii. Special Events and Recreation.** Supervisor Ellis presented the departmental report, a copy of
106 which is attached to these minutes and made a part hereof by reference. Since the report was issued
107 six anniversary banners were sold.

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109 **C. Administrator's Report.** Ms. Fellner reported:

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111 • Staff is busy working on budget items; finance has started entering the data.

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- 112 • On January 15th, staff members King, Adair, Ellis, and she met with the chairman and one board
113 member of the Surfside Beach Youth Association. The meeting was to discuss some unresolved
114 issues and the up-coming season. Ms. Fellner was happy to report that because all
115 stakeholders were present they were able to resolve all of the current issues. The association
116 produced its financial statements for Director King to review. Everything was found to be in
117 order.
- 118 • On January 16th, the finance director and she met with Lanier Parking Solutions to discuss and
119 tweak the parking expenditure budget for 2015. The resulting budget is on the agenda tonight
120 for Town Council's approval. There were no significant changes.
- 121 • On January 21st, Ms. Fellner met with Mayor Samples; Councilmembers Magliette and Stevens,
122 and business committee chairman Truett to discuss and make logistical plans for the Taste of
123 Surfside Beach event. Mr. Stevens and Mr. Truett will address the progress during the
124 discussion portion of tonight's agenda.
- 125 • On January 22nd, the police chief, Lieutenant Hofmann and she attended a meeting of the task
126 force for the May Bike Events. Thus far, commitments were received from two agencies for four
127 officers each, and they are working on securing two more. This is very important, because the
128 town does not have to pay the actual salaries for temporary agency hires. The State will pay that
129 cost. If the town hired regular officers, it would bear the cost. This could translate into significant
130 savings of at least \$20 to \$30 thousand.
- 131 • In preparation for the Bike Fest, Ms. Fellner also attended a communications task force meeting.
132 This task force was formed to strategize how best to communicate with both law enforcement
133 and the public before and during the event. Subsequently, she met with the police chief,
134 Lieutenant Hofmann, and Captain Miller to review how other municipalities are operating,
135 because they are not on this task force, and also to determine what information should be
136 included on the town's website, the Town and Police Department Facebook pages; the Town
137 Twitter account, and the printed tri-fold pamphlet handout, a copy of which was distributed to
138 councilmembers.
- 139 • The 2015 Bike Event Information tri-fold pamphlet was completed; 1,000 copies will be printed
140 for distribution to the rental companies and hotels for guests checking in during bike week. The
141 police officers will also distribute them. It will be available at Town Hall and on the website.
142 North Myrtle Beach used a pamphlet similar to this and it was very effective educating the public.
- 143 • Ms. Fellner was working on a number of informational pages for the website, which she expects
144 to have completed before the next Town Council meeting. Other projects are being delayed,
145 because the Town must keep up with all the other municipalities in regards to the communication
146 process. Visitors planning May trips are already checking websites for information.
- 147 • Horry County created an application with a QR code for GPS (Global Positioning System) to
148 show location on the "Loop." She found the GPS difficult to use, so for the time being it would
149 not be included in the information. It will be added if the county makes the application more user
150 friendly.

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152 DUMP TRUCK. Bids for the new dump truck were opened on 12/3/14. The results were as
153 follows:

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155 • Triple T- Freightliner - \$113,199 less \$4500 for trade-in = \$108,699 net cost
156 • Florence Truck Center – Mack (Double A Body) - \$132,300 less \$12,500 for 1988 trade-in =
157 \$119,820 net cost.
158 • Florence Truck Center- Mack (Ox Body) - \$133,651 less \$12,500 for trade-in = \$121,151 net
159 cost.
160 • Peterbilt of Columbia- \$135,487 less \$18,000 for trade-in = \$127,487 net cost

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162 Staff recommends letting the bid to Florence Truck Center for a Mack (Double A Body) at a cost
163 of \$132,300 less \$12,500 for 1988 trade-in making the net cost \$119,820, which is the second lowest bid
164 by \$11,121, but is still below the budgeted amount. Public Works already operates four of the same
165 engines without any problems, and compatible parts and filters are in stock. Before awarding the bid, Ms.

166 Fellner wanted to make sure Town Council did not have a problem with the recommendation. **There**
167 **were no objections.**

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169 **CONSENSUS ITEMS**

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171 New Truck for Public Works Director. Ms. Fellner explained this had been discussed before. The
172 current truck is slated for sale to the police department for \$20,000 to be used as the beach patrol truck.
173 The purchase was to be presented to the accommodations tax committee, but it cannot meet until
174 February 18th. Since the new truck will be purchased through state contract, it could take up to two
175 months for delivery. That would mean the police department would not have use of the truck until late
176 March. Additional time would be necessary to update the truck with necessary law enforcement
177 equipment. To summarize, the new truck for public works on state contract has an approximate cost of
178 \$29,000, providing that it is recommended by the accommodations tax committee and approved by Town
179 Council, \$20,000 will come from the sale of the used vehicle to the police department; the \$9,000
180 difference would come out of capital replacement. This is an unbudgeted expenditure. Consensus was
181 sought to proceed with ordering the truck for public works director. **COUNCIL CONCURRED**

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183 BBQ Festival Proceeds. Ms. Fellner said the Barbeque Festival is March 6th and 7th. The event
184 will be a competition this year, and not handled by SAFER (Surfside Area Fire and Emergency
185 Responders.) The last competition's net proceeds were donated to the Shriner's Hospital. When the
186 event was planned this year, the plan was to donate to South Strand Helping Hand, but because of the
187 partnership this year with the American Red Cross, she thought Town Council might wish to split the
188 funds between the two charities. Consensus was sought to distribute the net proceeds. Mr. Magliette
189 recommended splitting the net proceeds equally between South Strand Helping Hand and the American
190 Red Cross. **COUNCIL CONCURRED.**

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192 Ms. Fellner had no responses to public comments as there were none at the last meeting.

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194 **7. BUSINESS**

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196 **A. Second Reading Ordinance #14-0784 to amend Chapter 2, Article VI, Finance to**
197 **Establish Fund Balances, Director King.**

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199 Mr. Johnson moved to adopt second reading of Ordinance #14-0784. Ms. Mabry seconded. All
200 voted in favor.

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202 Mayor Samples believe the ordinance was a very positive step and would help clarify to those
203 who serve on future councils and to the citizens the various fund sources and council's intent that the
204 town remain financially responsible and fiscally sound.

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206 **MOTION CARRIED.**

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208 **B. Second Reading Ordinance #15-0792 to amend §2-131 Town Clerk Appointment and §2-**
209 **133 Duties, Administrator Fellner.**

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211 Ms. Fellner presented the decision paper, a copy of which is on file. The ordinance was
212 presented at Town Council's directive to direct the town clerk to report both to the Town Council and the
213 Town Administrator, and to reference the comprehensive town clerk job description in the ordinance.

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215 Mr. Stevens moved to adopt second reading of Ordinance #15-0792. Ms. Mabry seconded. All
216 voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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218 **C. Second Reading Ordinance #15-0793 to amend Chapter 4, Business License, Permits,**
219 **and Regulations from SIC (Standard Industrial Classification) to NAICS (North American Industry**
220 **Classification System), Administrator Fellner.**

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222 Mayor Samples noted that a public hearing was held on this ordinance just prior to this meeting.
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224 Ms. Fellner presented the decision paper, a copy of which is on file. The purpose is to
225 implement the use of the NAICS (North American Industry Classification System) as the basis for the
226 classification and rates section of the business license ordinance.
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228 Mr. Johnson moved to adopt second reading of Ordinance #15-0793. Mr. Stevens seconded.
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230 Mr. Pellegrino asked if Ms. Fellner had contacted the five companies that would be adversely
231 affected by this change. Ms. Fellner said unfortunately, her time was consumed with May Events
232 planning and she had only spoken with one company. She was advised by the finance director that it
233 was inappropriate to contact them. However, the ordinance was discussed at one meeting; there were
234 two readings; the public notice was published and there were articles in the newspaper.
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236 Mayor Samples recalled that there were a handful of businesses that would be contacted.
237 Overall the change is revenue neutral. No additional revenue would be raised. It was not a back door tax
238 increase. Ms. Fellner said the affected businesses were at the "top of the food chain." Mayor Samples a
239 large percentage of businesses would actually have a decrease in the business license fee. Ms. Fellner
240 said the majority would see a decrease. Mayor Samples said the changes were based on analysis by the
241 Internal Revenue Service. The SIC system is antiquated, which is why the Municipal Association
242 recommended the town adopt NAICS.
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244 Mr. Stevens said adopting NAICS would reduce the town's liability and comply with the most
245 current codes. Ms. Fellner said that was correct. Other municipalities were challenged and lost cases
246 because their codes were not updated.
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248 All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**
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250 **D. Welcome Center & Town Hall Upgrades, Councilmember Mabry.**
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252 Ms. Mabry presented the decision paper, a copy of which is on file. The purpose of the upgrade
253 was to improve the appearance of the reception area, which is the "living room of our house," which
254 seems to be the worst looking room in the building. Since a remodel is being done, there was a
255 discussion about making a small welcome center where town businesses could place their brochures and
256 information about town amenities. Visitors picking them up would be encouraged to shop the town's
257 businesses, and to perhaps stay in town on future vacations. Mr. Childs supported the welcome center,
258 and she wished he was present to offer his input, because he was helpful in developing the proposal. If
259 approved, the remodeling should be completed before the season started.
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261 Ms. Mabry moved to allocate \$10,000 plus or minus for town hall upgrades as discussed. Mr.
262 Stevens seconded.
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264 Mr. Magliette asked if this project would have bids let. Ms. Fellner said no; the cost is for
265 supplies.
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267 Mr. Johnson believed an amount certain should be determined and moved to amend the motion
268 to \$10,000 and omit the "plus or minus." Mr. Magliette seconded. All voted in favor. **MOTION TO**
269 **AMEND CARRIED.**
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271 Mayor Samples asked if the remodeling would disrupt regular business. Ms. Fellner explained
272 that some changes could be made without disruption to service and staff would perform some work in the
273 evenings and on weekends to cause as little disruption to service as possible; overtime would be
274 managed through alternate days off.
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276 Mayor Samples wanted the impact to normal operations to be evaluated once the welcome
277 center was completed. He wanted to make sure that if the welcome center operation became a

278 disruption that Town Council would be prepared to reevaluate it. First and of foremost importance is the
279 town's business of serving the citizens. It was a fact that everyone wanted more "heads in beds."
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281 Mr. Magliette asked if the brochures being produced would be available in the welcome center.
282 The current maps were dated 2013 and he asked when they would be updated, because the business
283 community might have changes. Ms. Fellner said the brochures would be included. The maps were
284 updated annually by Sheriar Press, but not until just before the season started so the most current
285 information was included. Mr. Magliette asked if the maps could include all the businesses.
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287 Ms. Mabry mentioned an interactive map at Mount Pleasant's welcome centers. Their maps with
288 town amenities and businesses are on a pad that visitors can tear off and take with them. The town
289 businesses could be invited to place brochures in town hall. She was a big proponent of shopping in
290 Surfside Beach. The map is the main thing that people seem to want. Many visitors just want to pick up
291 information and would not necessarily want to speak with anyone.
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293 Mr. Magliette asked when the project might be completed, because tourist season was
294 approaching. Ms. Fellner said the goal was the end of May. It was important to wait as long as possible
295 to have the most current information on the maps. Mr. Magliette asked how businesses could be
296 recruited to expand the map. Ms. Fellner said the town has a list every one of its businesses; two maps
297 might be needed. She thought there would be plenty of room to bring forward any of the town programs.
298 The maps were done in Vector Graphics and the most current information could be printed each year.
299 Mr. Magliette said this would be of tremendous value to residents and visitors. He wanted it to be done
300 well and a realistic date of May was acceptable. Ms. Fellner said adding the additional information would
301 increase the print time by about three weeks, so completion could be anticipated at the end of May.
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303 Mayor Samples asked if the printing was done at Sheriar Press through the Myrtle Beach
304 Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Fellner said no, the town accommodations tax pays for the map brochures
305 and has done so for at least the last five years.
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307 Ms. Mabry suggested an 8.5 - inch x 11-inch map on a tear off pad. Ms. Fellner said an
308 evaluation could be made at the end of the year; if two maps were necessary, one could be bound as a
309 tear-off pad. Ms. Fellner planned to visit a Mount Pleasant welcome center to see its operation and map.
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311 All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED AS AMENDED.**
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313 **E. Lanier Parking Solutions Annual Budget Approval, Administrator Fellner.**
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315 Ms. Fellner presented the decision paper, which is on file. The expenditure budget is not
316 appreciably different from prior years. Director King, Carrie Loomis from Lanier, and she met in person
317 and Mike Kish, also from Lanier, joined the meeting by telephone, to review the budget. There is a
318 difference in the service contract and warranties, because some warranties expired. Basically, the
319 budget is the same with some minor changes.
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321 Mr. Pellegrino said there were fewer meters, but revenue was increased substantially. He asked
322 for an explanation. Ms. King said mostly from the rate increase at the pier from \$1 to \$1.25 per hour; 30-
323 percent of revenue is from the pier parking lot.
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325 Mayor Samples said during the discussion of eliminating parking on Ocean Boulevard, it was
326 reported that 8.5-percent of revenue was derived from the Boulevard. He was surprised by increased
327 revenue.
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329 Mr. Johnson agreed; he, too, was surprised to see more revenue even though there would be
330 fewer meters. The increase at the pier parking lot meters was a very slight increase.
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332 Ms. King explained that this year total revenue was \$383,000 as shown in the finance monthly
333 report; revenue projected for next year is \$352,000. Lanier has more data to utilize in formulating the

334 budget, because there is a two year history. She believed the projection was in line, especially since
335 meters were being removed.
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337 Mayor Samples said total expenses were reduced by \$3,000. Ms. King said they were. The
338 budget seemed reasonable based on the past two years. Mayor Samples said that this is a contractual
339 requirement. If this was not approved, Lanier would rely on last year's budget temporarily.
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341 Ms. Mabry moved to approve the 2015 Lanier Parking Solutions Annual Budget. Mr. Stevens
342 seconded. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**
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344 **F. Committee Volunteer Appointments** (May be deferred until after executive session.) **i. Business**
345 **Committee: Mr. Kevin FitzMaurice; ii. Election Commission: Ms. Jennifer Courtney, and iii. Senior**
346 **Citizens Advisory Committee: Ms. Carol Cook.**
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348 This matter was deferred until after executive session pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act
349 (FOIA) §30-4-70(a)(1).
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351 **8. TOWN COUNCIL DISCUSSION** – Any matters of concern or information to be discussed.
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353 **A. Taste of the Town: Special Event for Red Cross & Surfside Business Committee,**
354 **Councilmember Stevens and Chairman Truett, Surfside Business Committee.**
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356 Mr. Stevens said that Mr. Truett had another engagement and proceeded to explain that the
357 Surfside Business Committee was organizing a Taste of Surfside Beach in conjunction with American
358 Red Cross Month in March to raise money for the American Red Cross. The plan is to sell wrist bands
359 that will give the bearer a discount at in-town businesses. The prices are \$10 in advance or \$12 the week
360 of, which is March 23rd to 28th. The goal is to encourage people to shop and dine in town, and hopefully
361 bring in people that would not normally come to town. Horry County Council Chairman Mark Lazarus and
362 County Councilmember Bill Howard both support the event and plan to have their businesses participate.
363 County Councilmember Tyler Servant and his father's business also support the event. Responses he
364 received when contacting town businesses was very positive. Tomlinson's committed, and many
365 businesses want to participate and see it succeed. The Regional Economic Development Council has
366 offered support and assistance to develop ways to bring new business into town. Low crime rate is one
367 of the main attractions for businesses; the town has a very low crime rate and also an ISO 1 fire rating.
368 Mr. Stevens said he has a verbal commitment from Horry Telephone to place advertisements in the entire
369 Horry County area. One pizza business offered a 20-percent discount to anyone participating. Not only
370 would this raise money for the Red Cross, it would also increase businesses in town.
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372 Mayor Samples said it is good exposure for the town and will benefit the Red Cross. He hoped
373 that a sufficient number of businesses would participate so people would canvass the highway.
374 Coincidentally, Murrells Inlet recently cancelled its event, because of lack of interest.
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376 Mr. Magliette knew that town residents would support the event, because in the past they have
377 always shown a tremendous capacity to show love and kindness through donations to help people. The
378 American Red Cross is a wonderful organization. The town is a little gem full of compassionate people.
379 It will probably be a wonderful 5-day event that could grow to be one of the town's largest events, not only
380 to help town businesses, but to also help the American Red Cross.
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382 **B. Any matters of concern or information to be discussed by Town Council.**
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384 There was no other discussion.
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386 **9. PUBLIC COMMENTS – General Comments.** (5-minutes per speaker)
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388 There were no public comments.
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390 **10. TOWN COUNCIL COMMENTS**

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392 Mr. Johnson thanked everyone for attending the meeting, and the councilmembers. Have a good
393 evening, God bless you.

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395 Mr. Pellegrino thanked everyone for attending tonight. The councilmembers joke around some,
396 which is amazing because they do disagree on so many things. But, in the end when a decision is made
397 and the council moves forward it does so agreeably. He thought that was very positive for the council.
398 He was often the odd man out on ideas and decisions, but when the compromise is done, council moves
399 forward. He wished everyone a great night.

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401 Mr. Magliette thanked everyone for attending, and to echo Mr. Pellegrino's comments, this is a
402 good council, because they treat each other with dignity and respect. That is what they were elected to
403 do. And, to the best of their ability, the council is transparent and open to the people of Surfside Beach.
404 They try to address problems when the public brings them forward. This is a wonderful town with
405 tremendous services. The council was elected to serve you. You are the most important thing; they care
406 about you, your families, and want the town businesses to be successful. Please, if you have any
407 comments, concerns or ideas, bring them forth. The council wants to hear from you. In regards to South
408 Strand Helping Hand, during 2014 that organization helped 12,439 people. That could not have been
409 done without the town's help: the Town Council, local businesses and residents who donate food and
410 money, and also volunteer. Of all the towns he has ever lived, THIS IS THE BEST TOWN! (*Speaker's*
411 *emphasis.*) He put his money on it and he was proud to serve you, because this is a great town. God
412 bless you and have a good night.

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414 Ms. Mabry said she couldn't beat Mr. Magliette's comments (*laughter*) so she would not try. She
415 thanked everyone for attending and commented that councilmembers bring many ideas forward, and
416 ways to try to change or do things. Sometimes it works; sometimes it does not. Behind it all is the staff
417 that works so hard to gather all the information so the council would know whether it could proceed in a
418 particular direction. It takes hours and hours of staff time. She wanted to personally say thank you. All
419 the directors work so hard. She get compliments all the time on how nice the town looks. If she needs
420 any information, staff is always right there to get it for her. All the packets that the council receives are
421 prepared by staff. The council is very fortunate and blessed to have such a good staff. A big thank you
422 to all of them!

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424 Mr. Stevens realized that this council as a whole was working together better than in the past.
425 One of the things discussed is the quality of life in town. He was speaking to a gentleman today that lives
426 on 15th Avenue South who told him he moved here after touring North Myrtle Beach and Myrtle Beach;
427 Surfside Beach was what he wanted. When his daughter was young, his family visited here and they
428 decided this was where they wanted to live and they moved here. Surfside Beach is that diamond place
429 that is fantastic. It is a nice place live, and it has great little businesses. That's is why they were trying to
430 promote and help the businesses. It was important that they did everything possible to help town
431 businesses and the residents. He guaranteed everyone that there was not one person on council that
432 could not be called on to help, if someone needed anything. Thank everyone for attending, and have a
433 good night.

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435 Mayor Samples appreciated everyone attending, and he would see them next time.

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437 **11. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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439 **A. Pursuant to FOIA §30-4-70(a)(1) to discuss the appointment of a person to a**
440 **public body; and B. Pursuant to FOIA §30-4-70(a)(2) to discuss proposed contractual**
441 **arrangements.**

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443 Mr. Johnson moved to enter executive session at 8:19 p.m. Ms. Mabry seconded. All voted in
444 favor. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Johnson moved to reconvene regular session at 8:48 p.m. Ms. Mabry
445 seconded. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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Mayor Samples said that no action was taken during executive session.

Mr. Johnson moved to direct the Town Administrator to move forward with the contractual matter as discussed in executive session. Mr. Magliette seconded. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mr. Johnson moved to appoint Mr. Kevin FitzMaurice to the Business Committee; Ms. Jennifer Courtney to the Election Commission and Ms. Carol Cook to the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee. Ms. Mabry seconded. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

12. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 p.m. Ms. Mabry seconded. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Prepared and submitted by,

Debra E. Herrmann, CMC, Town Clerk

Approved: February 10, 2015

Douglas F. Samples, Mayor

David L. Pellegrino, Mayor Pro Tempore

Robert F. Childs, Town Council

Mark L. Johnson, Town Council

Mary Beth Mabry, Town Council

Ralph J. Magliette, Town Council

Randle M. Stevens, Town Council

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