

TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, August 23, 2021

5:03 p.m.

The Town of Atlantic Beach Town Council meeting was held and recorded at Atlantic Beach Community Center, 1010 32nd Avenue South, Atlantic Beach, South Carolina, on the 23rd day of August, 2021.



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COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mayor Jake Evans, Chairman
Councilwoman Josephine Isom
Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore

ADMINISTRATION:

Benjamin Quattlebaum Jr., Town Manager
Cheryl Pereira, Town Clerk

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1 Call to Order:

2 **MAYOR EVANS:** This Town Council meeting is called to
3 order this Monday, August 23rd, year 2021 at
4 5:03 p.m. Roll call?

5 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans? Councilwoman
6 Josephine Isom?

7 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Here.

8 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

9 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Here.

10 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

11 **MAYOR EVANS:** Here.

12 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor, for the record, Councilman
13 Lenearl Evans called me and said that he would
14 try to make the meeting today if his health
15 permitted. So he may come at some point, but
16 he called me and let me know he would try to
17 make it if his health would permit.

18 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay. And I hear Jacqui's joining us
19 by phone?

20 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Yes.

21 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay. So that we do have a quorum at
22 least. Council, I seek a motion to go into an
23 executive session for legal and personnel ---

24 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved.

25 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** She said, so moved. Yeah,



1 second.

2 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second to go
3 into Executive Session for legal and personnel
4 matters. If there are no other questions or
5 comments, roll call.

6 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

7 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

8 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

9 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

10 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

11 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. The motion is granted.

12 **Executive Session:**

13 **(Executive Session.)**

14 **MAYOR EVANS:** Council, I seek a motion to come out
15 of Executive Session into the General Session.

16 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** So moved, Mr. Mayor.

17 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** I second.

18 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second to come
19 out of Executive Session into the General
20 Session. Any other questions or comments?
21 Roll call.

22 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

23 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

24 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

25 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.



1 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

2 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. Motion granted.

3 **General Session:**

4 **MAYOR EVANS:** I want to take this time out to
5 welcome the general public and ask at this time
6 if you have any cell phones that might disturb
7 the proceedings and silence those for us at
8 this time please. And if I could get you to
9 stand for a moment of silence.

10 **(Moment of Silence.)**

11 **MAYOR EVANS:** Pledge of Allegiance.

12 **(Pledge of Allegiance recited in unison.)**

13 **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to ceremonial matters.
14 Council members, ceremonial matters, anyone?

15 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Yeah, Mayor and Council ---

16 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

17 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Chief? Chief? We have a new
18 certified officer we'd like to swear in Town of
19 Atlantic Beach. Chief there?

20 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

21 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Tell him to bring ---

22 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

23 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Good afternoon, everybody.

24 **IN UNISON:** Good afternoon.

25 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Hope everybody's having a



1 great afternoon. One of my new officers just
2 got papers, graduated August 21st -- July the
3 21st. Today, we're gonna swear him in. I'll
4 get the mayor to come up here and do the
5 swearing in. Now, we -- the other four
6 officers recertified, still got one lady that's
7 gotta goes through and once she goes through,
8 I'm gonna have four officers out. These guys
9 work very hard for you all out there. You all
10 have any problems or issues ---

11 (Inaudible background noise.)

12 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** --- a lot times, he's on
13 patrol car so ---

14 (Applause.)

15 (Inaudible background noise.)

16 **MAYOR EVANS:** (Inaudible) just repeat after me, when
17 I say (inaudible), you state your name.

18 **MAYOR EVANS:** I.

19 **OFFICER:** (Inaudible.)

20 **MAYOR EVANS:** Do solemnly swear that I am duly
21 qualified. You've got to ---

22 **OFFICER:** Oh, I do solemnly swear that I am duly
23 qualified.

24 **MAYOR EVANS:** According to.

25 **OFFICER:** According to.



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** The Constitution of this State.

2 **OFFICER:** The Constitution of this State.

3 **MAYOR EVANS:** To exercise the duties of the office.

4 **OFFICER:** To exercise the duties of the office.

5 **MAYOR EVANS:** To which I have been appointed.

6 **OFFICER:** To which I have been appointed.

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** And that I will.

8 **OFFICER:** And that I will.

9 **MAYOR EVANS:** To the best of my ability.

10 **OFFICER:** To the best of my ability.

11 **MAYOR EVANS:** Discharge the duties thereof.

12 **OFFICER:** Discharge the duties thereof.

13 **MAYOR EVANS:** And preserve and protect.

14 **OFFICER:** And preserve and protect.

15 **MAYOR EVANS:** And defend the Constitution of this
16 State.

17 **OFFICER:** And defend the Constitution of this State.

18 **MAYOR EVANS:** And of the United States.

19 **OFFICER:** And of the United States.

20 **MAYOR EVANS:** So help me God.

21 **OFFICER:** So help me God.

22 **MAYOR EVANS:** As a police officer of the Town of
23 Atlantic Beach.

24 **OFFICER:** As a police officer of the Town of
25 Atlantic Beach.



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** I will equally.

2 **OFFICER:** I will equally.

3 **MAYOR EVANS:** Fairly and impartially.

4 **OFFICER:** Fairly and impartially.

5 **MAYOR EVANS:** To the best of my ability.

6 **OFFICER:** To the best of my ability.

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** And skill.

8 **OFFICER:** And skill.

9 **MAYOR EVANS:** Exercise the trust reposed in me.

10 **OFFICER:** Exercise the trust reposed in me.

11 **MAYOR EVANS:** And I will use my best endeavors.

12 **OFFICER:** And I will use my best endeavors.

13 **MAYOR EVANS:** To preserve the peace.

14 **OFFICER:** To preserve the peace.

15 **MAYOR EVANS:** And carry into effect.

16 **OFFICER:** And carry into effect.

17 **MAYOR EVANS:** According to the law.

18 **OFFICER:** According to the law.

19 **MAYOR EVANS:** The purposes for which I have been
20 appointed.

21 **OFFICER:** The purposes for which I have been
22 appointed.

23 **MAYOR EVANS:** So help me God.

24 **OFFICER:** So help me God.

25 **(Applause.)**



1 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Thank you, y'all.

2 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay, we're down to approval of the
3 agenda. Council, seek a motion for the
4 approval of the agenda.

5 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** So moved.

6 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** I second. I ---

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second for the
8 approval of the agenda. If there are no other
9 questions or comments, roll call.

10 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

11 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

12 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

13 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

14 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

15 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. The motion is granted.

16 **Old Business:**

17 **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to Old Business, Town
18 Council meeting minutes. The minutes from Town
19 Council meeting held on June 7th, 2021 and June
20 21st, 2021. Council, seek a motion for the
21 approval of the minutes.

22 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Council, I make a motion that we
23 ---

24 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved.

25 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Second.



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second on the
2 floor for the approval of the minutes for June
3 7th and June 21st of 2021. If there are no
4 other questions or comments, roll call.

5 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

6 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

7 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

8 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

9 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

10 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. Motion granted for the approval
11 of minutes.

12 **New Business:**

13 **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to New Business, Ordinance
14 Number 7-2021.

15 **MS. COLEMAN:** Mr. Mayor, members of the Council,
16 thank you for giving me the opportunity to be
17 here tonight. My name is Carol Coleman. I am
18 the Local Planning Services Director for the
19 Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments, and
20 we are contracted to provide planning services
21 to the Town of Atlantic Beach. And this is the
22 result of a request to allow for duplexes to be
23 subdivided in the R2 District that we received
24 a few months ago, and I believe the person who
25 initially inquired is here tonight so you can



1 ask her directly as well but what I did for you
2 tonight was I put together a packet of
3 information very similar to what I gave
4 Planning Commission the other day when we
5 discussed it. And on page 1 of your handout,
6 you'll see the definition for the R2 District,
7 or the intent of the R2 District, the
8 residential district, is to preserve and
9 protect the character of Atlantic Beach
10 neighborhoods. Residential uses range from
11 single-family detached to multi-family at
12 densities that are compatible with existing
13 housing. This district may provide for
14 innovative design including, but not limited
15 to, zero-lot-line development. And then it
16 goes on to say that some other uses may be
17 allowed as well, but I wanted to underline that
18 to give you the idea that zero-lot-line was
19 written into the district from day one. I then
20 have the definitions for the different types of
21 family housing uses. Duplexes are seen as two-
22 family dwellings. You can see duplexes is
23 defined as a building, located on a single lot,
24 designed for or occupied exclusively by two
25 families living independent of each other in



1 separate dwellings. On page 2, I included the
2 table for District Bulk, Dimensional and
3 Density Standards, Table 5.3.420A. At the top
4 of the second column, I've outlined R2, and you
5 can see that currently the minimum lot area for
6 the R2 District is 6,000 square feet. Then
7 when you follow it down, you can see where I've
8 circled in red single-family attached as well
9 as two-family dwellings because those are the
10 two things that we kept going back and forth
11 between. Single-family attached already
12 allowed -- are already allowed in the district,
13 and two-family dwellings are allowed but they
14 couldn't be split out. So the use is already
15 fully permitted in the district by right and,
16 if you look at the table on the right of that
17 page, Table 5.3.502, you can see under
18 residential uses, single-family attached is a
19 conditional use in the R2 District, but two-
20 family dwellings or duplexes are permitted
21 already in the R2 District. So what they were
22 asking the ability to do is to be able to
23 subdivide it out fee simple, and the reason
24 comes -- and the applicant can tell you this,
25 or the person who requested this application,



1 can tell you this -- when you build a duplex,
2 you can build it with a construction loan but
3 then you can't out -- own it outright unless
4 you can subdivide them out. And we saw this in
5 Horry County. Also, I'm working with the Town
6 of Surfside Beach. They have this -- they had
7 this same issue, that people were having issues
8 with being able to finance them because they
9 had to have a horizontal property regime, and
10 it was a little bit more convoluted, a little
11 bit more complicated, and so we started doing
12 -- I started doing some research and looking at
13 the ability to do this. The first thing I was
14 concerned with was not zero-lot-line
15 development because we already had that by
16 definition in the zoning district that we're
17 talking about. But the biggest thing that I
18 had to overcome was the fact on page 4, at the
19 bottom of -- below the table, you can see
20 frontage, and frontage on each lot that's
21 created by this definition is required to be a
22 minimum of 50 feet. And I knew right off the
23 bat that if we split a 60 foot lot, we were
24 gonna have less than 50 feet, and thankfully,
25 when I read on into the ordinance, this is



1 already in the ordinance to allow the other
2 zoning districts that allow you to subdivide
3 them out and it says here that lots created
4 hereafter shall have frontage on and access to
5 a public street. No subdivision shall be
6 approved unless the lots to be subdivided shall
7 have a minimum of 50 feet of frontage on a
8 public street. This requirement made me reduce
9 to 35 feet for lots located on a cul-de-sac and
10 to 20 feet for a lot in an approved zero-lot-
11 line development if, in the opinion of the
12 administrator, such reduction would not hinder
13 lot access and all other requirements of the
14 chapter can be met. So, that gets us down
15 below 50 feet. So if you split a 60 foot lot
16 and each side is 30 feet, that's completely in
17 agreement with what's written into the zoning
18 ordinance. On page 5, I just took an aerial
19 side of an area -- of a part of Surfside Beach
20 -- and I have to tell you up-front you have to
21 kind of imagine it somewhat because when these
22 aerial photographs are taken and the parcel
23 information is put down on a GIS map, it's not
24 perfectly perpendicular so they may not line up
25 exactly like they -- you think they should, but



1 what you can see here is that you have duplexes
2 that are both split out and some that are on
3 the same lot. So they have the ability -- if
4 it's two family members and they don't have a
5 problem with a horizontal property regime or,
6 you know, one person pays for the construction
7 and either sells the other half out or leases
8 it for rental income, they may want it on one
9 piece of property. From a tax assessment
10 standpoint, two lots for two units is probably
11 gonna be a better tax assessment for the Town.
12 So ultimately, the proposed amendment to lot
13 area in the R2 District is to allow for two-
14 family dwellings on a minimum 6,000 square foot
15 lot to be split out, resulting in a minimum lot
16 area for each duplex of 3,000 square feet. And
17 I've played the devil's advocate and I looked
18 at the possibilities of having problems going
19 forward. So let's say that you approve this
20 and someone builds a duplex and 15 years from
21 now they tear the duplex down and you've got
22 two 3,000 square foot lots, unless you change
23 the ordinance, the only thing those 3,000 lot
24 -- square foot lots could be used for is a half
25 a duplex because you have to have a minimum of



1 6,000 square feet to build a duplex, you have
2 to have a minimum of 6,000 square feet for the
3 zoning district, except if you have a duplex.
4 And if you have any specific questions, I'll be
5 glad to try to address them. If you have any
6 concerns. But again, the biggest point that I
7 was trying to make is there's no change to the
8 built environment, there's no increase in
9 density. This is a use that is permitted by
10 right in your zoning ordinance. The only
11 difference is that they have the ability to
12 subdivide those lots out so each person can own
13 a portion of the lot as well as their half of
14 the duplex.

15 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Okay.

16 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you.

17 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Thank you.

18 **MAYOR EVANS:** Council, seek a motion to adopt
19 Ordinance Number 7-2021, and this is an
20 ordinance to amend the Town of Atlantic Beach
21 Land Management Ordinance, Title V, Chapter 3,
22 Article IV Zoning Districts, Division 2 Bulk,
23 Dimensional and Density Standards to allow for
24 the subdivision of duplexes in the R2 District,
25 and this is just the first reading. Council,



1 seek a motion.

2 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** So moved, Mr. Mayor.

3 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved -- second.

4 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second on the
5 floor to adopt Ordinance Number 7-2021. Any
6 other questions or comments?

7 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** None for me.

8 **MAYOR EVANS:** Roll call.

9 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

10 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

11 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

12 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

13 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

14 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. Motion granted. And once again,
15 this is the first reading. We're down to B.
16 under New Business, the 15th Judicial Circuit
17 Court Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement 2021
18 through 2023.

19 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Chief? Chief?

20 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

21 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Are you all ready for me?

22 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yeah.

23 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** (Inaudible.)

24 **MAYOR EVANS:** The mutual aid agreement.

25 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** The 15th Judicial Circuit



1 Traffic Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement, this
2 is a mutual agreement that we have where all
3 the municipalities, the county -- here in Horry
4 County and Georgetown County, that we all come
5 together once month and we do activities like
6 road blocks and stuff like that, make sure
7 people -- we do seatbelt checks, DUI checks and
8 stuff like -- make sure people are following
9 the rules. Every year -- every two years, we
10 have to sign a new agreement. Basically, we
11 have to ask the councils to vote on that and
12 say that we would partake in a mutual aid
13 agreement again this year. And it's basically
14 just a virtual vote -- if you all say, yeah, I
15 can sign the paperwork and send it back to the
16 -- back to Chief Kyle Ballentine (ph), and
17 Chief Kyle (inaudible) is Markey still running
18 it or ---

19 **MALE SPEAKER:** (Inaudible.)

20 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** All right. Well, we have to
21 send it back to Myrtle Beach because they
22 (inaudible). Chief Kyle down the road from
23 Briarcliffe, he will be taking it over in the
24 coming months. We will assist him because we
25 work with Chief Kyle pretty close so we will



1 assist him and any help he needs with this
2 project. So, do you all have any questions for
3 me?

4 **MAYOR EVANS:** I don't, huh-uh.

5 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Not me.

6 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you. Council, seek a motion to
7 enter into the Traffic Enforcement Mutual Aid
8 Agreement with the local municipalities for --
9 from 2021 to 2023. Council, seek a motion.

10 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved.

11 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Second.

12 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second to enter
13 into a mutual aid agreement -- Traffic
14 Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement with the local
15 municipalities from 2021 to 2023. If there are
16 no other questions or comments, roll call.

17 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

18 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

19 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

20 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

21 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

22 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. Motion granted. We're down to
23 D. under New Business, which is the proposed --

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25 **CLERK:** No, C.



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** I'm sorry. Yeah, we're C., Municipal
2 Election Commission reappointment.

3 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor and Council, we had two
4 applications for the Municipal Election
5 Commission. At the prior meeting, Council
6 reappointed Mr. Montgomery and Mr. McIver. I
7 think one -- Mr. Montgomery for a six-year term
8 and a four-year term. This is a four-year term
9 for the third seat on the Election Commission.

10 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay, thank you. Council, I seek a
11 motion to reappoint Ms. Carolyn Gore to another
12 four-year term of the Municipal Election
13 Commission. Seek a motion.

14 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** So moved.

15 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved.

16 **MAYOR EVANS:** Need a second from you, Jacqui.

17 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Second.

18 **MAYOR EVANS:** There is a motion and a second on the
19 floor to reappoint Ms. Carolyn Gore to another
20 four-year term on the Municipal Election
21 Commission. If there are no other questions or
22 comments, roll call.

23 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

24 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

25 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?



1 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

2 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

3 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. Motion granted. We're down to
4 D., the proposed contract to lease Town
5 property at 30th Avenue South and 4th Street
6 for parking to Thee DollHouse.

7 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor and Council, we received a
8 proposed lease agreement from Thee DollHouse to
9 lease property located at 1010 30th Avenue
10 South in Atlantic Beach. The property is in
11 back of Thee DollHouse, formerly Housing
12 Authority property TMS 1560338004. Is there a
13 representative from Thee DollHouse here? Okay.
14 Mayor, the proposed agreement as submitted is
15 requesting to utilize the parcels on 30th
16 Avenue on the west side of 17 for a term of one
17 year starting September 1st, 2021 through
18 August 31st, 2022. They are proposing to offer
19 the Town \$1,000 per month as a rental fee with
20 the commitment not to alter the lot and utilize
21 it exclusively for parking. One clarification
22 that we would need in terms of that, the -- in
23 the original TMS number, it includes four
24 contiguous lots along 30th Avenue, and we're
25 not clear in discussion whether the 1010 is



1 just one lot, the lot on 1010 30th Avenue
2 exclusively or does it require four lots. The
3 \$1,000 figure, if it's for one lot is one
4 consideration -- if it's for four lots, then
5 that's another consideration that Council would
6 like to counter their proposed offer. Being
7 that no one's here, you have two options: you
8 can authorize me to negotiate the lease
9 agreement under parameters we discuss and get
10 clarification on whether it's proposed for one
11 lot or four contiguous lots in the TMS number.
12 What is your pleasure?

13 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yes, we were kind of not clear with
14 this -- the agreement at hand was not specific
15 enough for us to kind of know what we're
16 getting into so that's -- the motion I'll offer
17 up is to authorize the Town Manager to
18 negotiate the rental of the Town's Housing
19 Authority property to Thee DollHouse for
20 parking, just for him to negotiate that. I
21 would make that motion.

22 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** So moved, Mayor.

23 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Second.

24 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second on the
25 floor to authorize the Town Manager to



1 negotiate the rental of the Housing Authority
2 property to Thee DollHouse for parking. Any
3 other questions or comments? Roll call.

4 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

5 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

6 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

7 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

8 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

9 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. The motion's granted.

10 **Manager's Report:**

11 **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to the Town Manager's
12 Report.

13 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor, Council and public, I
14 wanted to give the public and Council an update
15 on the CDBG grant we received for the
16 development of the park adjacent to the
17 Community Center. I had hoped that we would be
18 breaking ground at this particular time, but we
19 ran into a bureaucratic administrative snag.
20 The Waccamaw Regional representative staff
21 member informed me initially that we could
22 select a contractor from the state contract
23 list without bidding the proposal for the --
24 the equipment and the installation. After
25 conversations, we were moving in that direction



1 to have and name a contractor from the state
2 contractor list. When it came up that --
3 initially, we could only purchase the equipment
4 and had to bid out and get a contractor to
5 install it. The contractor for the provider of
6 the equipment said that if they didn't have the
7 contractor that they designated to install it,
8 it would void the warranty on the material.
9 After weeks of thinking that we could select
10 from the state contract list, was just informed
11 last that we have to now go out and bid for the
12 material as well as installation as one
13 contract as opposed to having a purchase of the
14 equipment and the installation separately. So
15 that puts us behind our timeline in terms of
16 getting it done. They are leading as
17 facilitators for the grant application, their
18 lead on the process for getting this Community
19 Center, I mean, the playground completed. So
20 I just wanted to share with the community to
21 update on that. The timeline now, the bid
22 process is gonna take a minimum of at least
23 another 30 days before selection of a
24 contractor for the material as well as the
25 installation of the playground. Any questions,



1 Council?

2 **MAYOR EVANS:** No.

3 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** No.

4 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** The other item on the agenda under
5 my report, I asked Chief to give a brief
6 overview of our back-to-school program that we
7 have annual sponsored by the Police Department.
8 I personally wanted to thank all those who have
9 contributed to the event this year, and Chief
10 can give you more details and specifics on the
11 program.

12 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Good afternoon again.

13 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Good afternoon.

14 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** This year we did our back-
15 to-school program. We didn't have a big
16 turnout this year. I don't know if, you know,
17 we don't have that many kids in the
18 neighborhood, but from here on out, just
19 remember like a week or two before they go back
20 to school, we are going to do a back-to-school
21 program. My guys will pass out flyers. So, a
22 month before school starts, if you know you've
23 got kids in the neighborhood, you could contact
24 the Police Department or the Town Hall and find
25 out what day we're doing it just in case some



1 -- somebody's got (inaudible). But we ate at
2 Chick-Fil-A, and other people donated stuff to
3 the back-to-school. So we always want to thank
4 them for everything they do for that. Like I
5 said, back-to-school, it's big -- we've got --
6 the kids are the future so we want to make sure
7 they have the right materials to go back to
8 school. So once again, I want to thank
9 everybody who did participate. I do have a few
10 more book bags left so if any kids you all know
11 that they didn't get one, you can come by my
12 office tomorrow and we will hand the book bags
13 out to them. All right. Any questions?

14 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** I have one. Did you pass out
15 flyers to the kids?

16 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Yes, we did.

17 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Okay, we just (inaudible).

18 **MS. WILLIAMS:** I have a questions

19 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Yes, ma'am.

20 **MS. WILLIAMS:** What marketing techniques are you all
21 taking?

22 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** I'm sorry.

23 **MS. WILLIAMS:** What marketing techniques, or what
24 are you all doing so that people will know in
25 the neighborhood that the -- these events are



1 happening?

2 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Well, that's a good
3 question. This year -- kids and stuff that
4 were coming that did show up, we were taking
5 their -- their names and numbers, their
6 address, so we could -- I want to start sending
7 out letters and e-mails to 'em, especially on
8 the kid's birthday. I wanted to know every
9 kid's birthday so we -- 'cause we -- my plan is
10 to start sending them something on their
11 birthday every year. But it's kinda hard to
12 know where they live unless they come out and
13 give me their address or their e-mail or their
14 phone number that we contact. So, the kids
15 that did come this year, we did take their
16 numbers, their address, birthday and other
17 information that we gathered that we're gonna
18 put in our system so next year around this
19 time, we can start sending e-mails or, you
20 know, letter out in the mail to them. But we
21 still always pass out flyers like we always do.
22 This year, that's all we did is pass out
23 flyers. We didn't do anything else but pass
24 out flyers.

25 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Is there like a certain way that when



1 people come into town, move into town, right,
2 and become residents, is there a certain way
3 that that could be noted for you having a way
4 where the Police Department is working with the
5 administrative office or having these go hand
6 in hand that you would know when these people
7 are coming into town or moving into town,
8 becoming residents, if they have any children
9 and stuff like that. I'm just trying to ask
10 these questions to see how you -- it could be
11 better assisted that these people know that you
12 have something to offer.

13 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** That's a good question. I
14 do have a lot of different events, I mean --
15 well, different programs that we started here
16 in the Police Department. Some of the
17 residents do participate in them. And we do
18 put some of them on the website, but not
19 everything's on the website. It is -- right
20 now, remember, we've got -- is when an officer
21 goes out and he sees kids, he tries to go out
22 there and talk to them and try to let them know
23 that we have an event and try to -- my officers
24 -- it's a small community so if they move here,
25 nine out of ten, my officers kinda know who



1 they are or try to target that location and
2 pass out flyers and stuff. But we are in a
3 modern day that, you know, passing out flyers
4 just ain't gonna cut it no more. We need e-
5 mail, phone calls, letters and stuff like that
6 where -- we're trying to get to that point.
7 Hopefully -- we've been working on our website
8 for the Police Department/Town Hall, which the
9 pandemic did put that on a halt for a little
10 while. So hopefully, we'll get all that up and
11 then once we get that out, we'll start sending
12 you all an invitation that you all can check
13 the website. Any other questions?

14 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yeah, we have a lot of people in town
15 these days that are eager and willing to help
16 with anything we do, and I do know that. And
17 we want to make sure we kinda lean on 'em and
18 reach out to 'em and tell 'em what we need
19 their help with. I know we normally do every
20 year, and it's right around the corner, do the
21 Halloween thing. So we've got a couple of
22 months before we do that and when we're
23 planning that, we'll just reach out to the
24 community and ask for their help and their
25 involvement so it'll be more of a unity thing



1 there.

2 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Well, by him bringing up the
3 Halloween thing, 'cause of COVID, we don't know
4 exactly what we're gonna do this year ---

5 **MAYOR EVANS:** Right.

6 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** --- for Halloween. We
7 didn't do nothing last year. But we are going
8 to do something for the kids, even if we just
9 pass -- well, I think I misspoke. We did pass
10 out bags last year for the community -- for the
11 kids, which we're looking at doing it this
12 year, with new variants of this COVID, I don't
13 see no -- ending no time soon so ... I'm big
14 on Halloween too 'cause we -- the people
15 that've been here for a while, they know we
16 decorate the Community Center by -- Ms. Glenda,
17 she used to help out with it, the Mayor, Ms.
18 Isom and other folks in the (inaudible). We
19 used to decorate. We can't do that this year
20 and I hate it that we can't, but we will be
21 doing something for the kids and we even try to
22 get to the point that we even pass out stuff to
23 the residents. So, we're still working on
24 that. We've got a couple months where -- about
25 two months before that pops up so I will --



1 we'll be giving out flyers and trying to
2 contact some people that we do have e-mails and
3 stuff, and let them know what our plans are.
4 And hopefully, we might start putting some of
5 this stuff on the Town website when we can.
6 Any other questions?

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thanks, Chief.

8 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** That's all I have, Mayor.

9 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay.

10 **Public Time:**

11 **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to Public Time. Is Kenneth
12 McIver here? Beautification Committee.

13 **MR. McIVER:** Good afternoon. Just wanted to talk
14 about the Beautification Committee, just update
15 you on what's going on. We've had some
16 successes since the last time we presented to
17 you. As you noticed in town, we've had about
18 21 fire hydrants painted, and the pressure has
19 been checked. We have sort of increased
20 mosquito spray, making sure that that's done on
21 a timely basis. If you've also noticed, the
22 street signs have gone up. I want to thank all
23 these people that have donated and have
24 installed those street signs. I think they
25 look great. We also have ordered the benches



1 for the Town. There's five of them that'll be
2 ordered. We also have ordered ... Four,
3 sorry. We've also ordered seven trash cans,
4 and they will be in pretty soon. So we've been
5 doing a lot, you know, just individually.
6 We've also -- I think Will has checked on the
7 possibility of looking at the street -- the
8 traffic light, just looking at some -- trying
9 to make sure that's monitored on a daily basis.
10 Some of our ongoing concerns, of course, are
11 residential and commercial properties that we
12 are still working on to make sure they stay in
13 compliance. We have both the strip malls on
14 the east side and the west side between 29th
15 and 30th that is ongoing, lawn maintenance, as
16 well as code enforcement. So we are working,
17 getting a lot done, and I do want to thank the
18 Town. We've got a little note for you on
19 behalf of the Beautification Committee for your
20 donation of the park benches so we want to
21 thank you for your donation of that, and those
22 are in the process of getting installed and
23 everything else like that. As you can see from
24 my street line -- street lights -- street
25 signs, that our colors are the dark blue so



1 everything that we're gonna be doing is
2 reflective of that new sort of Atlantic Beach
3 colors that we have, and I think that's working
4 out pretty well. And Ms. Josephine Isom
5 attended our last committee meeting and we
6 thank her for coming to that.

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you. Ms. Dianne Hill?

8 **MS. HILL:** Thank you so much for speaking time. My
9 issue has been addressed and everything is
10 resolved so I have nothing further to add.
11 Thank you.

12 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you. Ms. Lynda Booker?

13 **MS. BOOKER:** Good evening, everybody.

14 **MALE SPEAKER:** Good evening.

15 **MS. BOOKER:** Council, residents. I just wanted to
16 talk real briefly about -- in our
17 Beautification Committee meeting, we talked
18 about using -- asking the Council and the
19 administrator if we can use the HUD lot, the
20 lot that was given to the town that sits right
21 across the street from Brenda as a green space
22 until you all have a developer for it. We'd
23 like to -- I've already gone to the landscaper,
24 to Chris. I asked him, would he help us with
25 that as far as putting a sprinkler in, keeping



1 the grass cut, and the benches that we're gonna
2 take up that are down in the cul-de-sac and the
3 benches out front, Keith Gore said that he will
4 restore those benches for us and we'll paint
5 them the same color that the new benches that
6 are coming in are so we can sit those benches
7 in that green space. But it would just give
8 all of us a chance to just go and have a green
9 space to enjoy until you all are ready for a
10 developer. We don't want it permanently. We
11 know that development is coming. We wanted to
12 -- wanted to ask you about that, and I wanted
13 to ask you -- ask the Council if they would be
14 willing to work with the Friends of the Pearl
15 for the benefit of both, for the town and the
16 Friends of the Pearl so that we can accumulate
17 some funds to buy more benches and things that
18 need to buy on a jazz festival for next July.
19 So those were the two things I wanted to talk
20 about. And they are -- Kenneth said that we
21 ordered -- the Town ordered two benches and
22 Thee DollHouse donated two benches. So I just
23 want to thank you again for the two benches
24 that the Council aided us in ordering. So that
25 means we only need one more, and we're gonna



1 try to fundraise some kind of way to get that
2 last one, and that's the one that's going in
3 front of the Town Hall.

4 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay.

5 **MS. BOOKER:** Anybody have questions? We're good?

6 **MAYOR EVANS:** No, we're good. Thank you. I want to
7 thank the Beautification Committee for the --
8 all the great work they're doing. Mrs. Jay
9 Divine.

10 **MS. DIVINE:** Mayor, Council and neighbors, I have
11 come today just to make sure that everyone was
12 clear on the things that Ms. Coleman from the
13 Waccamaw Council of Governments has mentioned
14 about the duplex request for subdivision. I'm
15 the neighbor that had put in the appeal to
16 allow for those lots to be subdivided, and I
17 just want to make sure there was clarity 'cause
18 she gave a lot of very technical details and I
19 wanted to just make it in layman's terms for
20 those of you like me who aren't really
21 proficient about -- we went to her to get the
22 clarity. I brought some samples of duplexes
23 and some things that I could pass out to anyone
24 that had a question that hadn't been able to
25 attend the Planning Commission meeting. If



1 there's anyone that would be interested in
2 these, I have those to share with you and I can
3 just briefly tell you that the only change in
4 the -- what's already allowed is that -- the
5 duplexes are allowed to be built already ---

6 **(Microphone interference.)**

7 **MS. DIVINE:** --- can be owned separately.
8 Eventually, there would be title problems if
9 you wanted to pass them onto children or you've
10 had to own units together with your neighbor on
11 the other side. So if there's any of you who
12 would be interested in having some samples
13 because I had gotten some feedback that folks
14 were concerned about the building size. The
15 building size, there's no restrictions on that
16 in the ordinance. The only restriction in the
17 ordinance is the building height. So you could
18 build a one-story duplex or a two-story or a
19 three-story. Now, we'll be able to own each
20 side separately regardless of what someone
21 builds, and you don't have to build a duplex if
22 you want to continue to build a single-family
23 home, well then, of course, that's already a
24 given, you can continue to do that. So I just
25 wanted to make sure that folks were clear on



1 what the request was. Anybody have questions?
2 Okay, that's easy. All right, thank you, Mr.
3 Mayor.

4 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay. I have one here from Knowledge
5 as well. Is he here?

6 **MS. DIVINE:** No, he's not here.

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay.

8 **MS. DIVINE:** But I don't know if he wants to turn
9 his proxy over to Mr. Thomas.

10 **MR. THOMAS:** Well, I'm Will Thomas, everybody.
11 Knowledge did have questions about the
12 playground, but I think you've answered it
13 pretty good so I guess if he has anything else
14 to say to you, he will get back in touch with
15 you.

16 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** All right.

17 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay, thank you. Ms. Glenda Williams?

18 **MS. WILLIAMS:** (Inaudible.)

19 **MAYOR EVANS:** Well, hey there.

20 **MS. WILLIAMS:** (Inaudible.) Hello, Mr. Mayor. I
21 have a couple of questions here. I wanted to
22 -- I want to first, if you don't mind, back to
23 the part where you -- you all was talking about
24 the negotiations for Thee DollHouse. I want to
25 find out -- it's my understanding that they've



1 been using that space already for parking. I
2 want to ask a question, would negotiations with
3 Thee DollHouse include retroactive payment for
4 leasing that -- that area?

5 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** They have been using ...

6 **MS. WILLIAMS:** From my -- yeah, from my
7 understanding. Well, from some residents, and
8 that's the reason why I want to ask the
9 question.

10 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** You said been using it already?

11 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Yeah. From some residents, some
12 local residents says that there's already been
13 parking on that particular property ---

14 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Huh-uh. The parking on that is
15 the tire man, the tire house -- DollHouse don't
16 use that property.

17 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay. It's just a question ---

18 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** The tire shop. Employees that
19 park there.

20 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay. Okay.

21 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Uh-huh.

22 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** There is another parcel on 32nd
23 that the Town authorized the use of parking
24 here at the corner of 32nd.

25 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay.



1 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Do you follow me? To another
2 entity, not Thee DollHouse.

3 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay, it's good. Okay, moving on to
4 the next question is I wanted to find out, one,
5 I hear Chief stating that -- about putting
6 stuff on the website. How will people, when
7 the meeting dates change and is rescheduled,
8 how will they know that that schedule has been
9 changed? 'Cause I have several people that --
10 matter of fact, I'm getting text messages as
11 I'm here saying that they did not know the
12 meeting was rescheduled so how would that
13 problem be faced?

14 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Well, two issues in terms of -- by
15 law, we have to publicize in local media the
16 meeting agenda and it's posted, physically
17 posted, on the office and the Community Center.
18 We are, as we indicated in the budget hearing,
19 and I've authorized the updating of our website
20 so that we can have it more current and
21 interactive and up to date in terms of
22 transmitting information such as meeting
23 changes, events and program activity. So we
24 authorized -- Council authorized at the June --
25 or July meeting the authorization of a contract



1 that we entered into with a website entity that
2 is working as we speak on updating that
3 website. So in addition to that, people --
4 residents have inquired and provided to our
5 office e-mail addresses and a list of notices
6 go out to those individuals that have requested
7 to be notified about the meeting. So those are
8 the different avenues. But the major
9 notification area is the media, and we will be
10 soon, when we update our website, our website.

11 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay. So, long story short, the
12 people that don't know about the meetings
13 should contact the City Hall and request ---

14 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Yeah, they can ---

15 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- to get ---

16 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Yeah, they can ---

17 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- the changes ---

18 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Well, no, you all -- they could --
19 yeah, just request to have their e-mail added
20 on -- added to the list and they'll get a
21 direct notification.

22 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay.

23 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** If they want to -- if they want a
24 direct notification, asked to be placed on that
25 list of direct notifications and they will get



1 a personal, direct notification on the change.

2 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay. I want to be accurate when I
3 reply. And then another question is, when you
4 said website update, is that something -- I'm
5 not beating up on the Chief -- I heard him say
6 because of the pandemic was put on hold but, of
7 course, you know, webmasters are behind the
8 scenes and not too much in public. So my
9 thing, it is, is when you said the website's
10 updated, is that something that you said we're
11 gonna start right now that ---

12 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** We are -- we're in the process ---

13 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay.

14 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** --- we are providing information
15 to them to modernize, for lack of a better
16 term, a website that is more interactive and
17 that it will be able to give not only -- well,
18 a lot of the information, as you know, on there
19 is stagnant. We need to be able to have it
20 more interactive to be changes. As I said,
21 meeting dates, events that are happening in the
22 town, that it will be more current, so we're
23 working to do that. And our current website
24 doesn't have that capacity. In my budget
25 presentation to Council, it was included and



1 Council authorized us to enter into an
2 agreement to have it more modernized and
3 interactive.

4 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay. And then my next question is
5 where do we stand with the islands that Mr.
6 Mayor had asked before about putting on Highway
7 17, and I'm asking the question because we have
8 the Beautification Committee and, from what I
9 can see and hear, they're doing a great job,
10 and so I'm wondering is that something that
11 they can become involved in when it comes to
12 like the islands or even how we talked about
13 the turn signal, that Atlantic Beach is the
14 only one basically without an arrow as you're
15 going down the highway with the turns, being
16 able to turn ---

17 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Uh-huh.

18 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- which, you know, I think that's
19 definitely, you know, not right for our town
20 because everywhere else has that turning arrow,
21 right?

22 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Uh-huh.

23 **MS. WILLIAMS:** So, with those two things, is there
24 any place that we could involve the
25 Beautification Committee in ---



1 **MR. THOMAS:** Can I answer that question?

2 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** You can answer.

3 **MR. THOMAS:** On the turn signal, I've been working
4 on that for months ---

5 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Uh-huh.

6 **MR. THOMAS:** --- and I just got a letter back that
7 they did a survey on our town, and they put the
8 strips down and they ran over it, you know, to
9 see how much traffic we had. Well, what
10 they're gonna do, they're gonna give that to me
11 because they said it wouldn't warrant enough
12 for us to get that turn signal. But I don't
13 take no for an answer so I'll just go back to
14 'em because they wrote me a three-page letter
15 on that. So we're working on that now.

16 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Uh-huh.

17 **MR. THOMAS:** Through the Beautification Committee.

18 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay, yeah.

19 **MR. THOMAS:** Okay.

20 **MS. WILLIAMS:** 'Cause the average traffic is coming
21 up and down ---

22 **MR. THOMAS:** Right.

23 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- so it's almost harder then to
24 warrant what's coming into it.

25 **MR. THOMAS:** Well, they went through with accidents



1 and -- from 2018 to 2020, the only accident we
2 really had in our whole town was like they said
3 less than six at that corner. So they're going
4 by a whole lot of different things but, like I
5 said, I'm not giving up yet. I'm going to keep
6 going on and see how far we can go with it.

7 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Yeah, 'cause we shouldn't have to
8 have more accidents for them ---

9 **MR. THOMAS:** Until they -- I'm trying to get it like
10 -- with Briarcliffe, when you go up to the
11 corner, the light automatically turns. That's
12 how it is going south of here. So that's what
13 I'm trying to get.

14 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay.

15 **MR. THOMAS:** So I'm -- I am working on it.

16 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay. And then what about the
17 islands that you were talking about, Mr. Mayor?
18 That you were pushing for?

19 **MAYOR EVANS:** Well, I've discussed that with the
20 Beautification Committee as well, specifically
21 Will because I was kinda going back and forth
22 with him about that too, just letting ---

23 **MR. THOMAS:** Well, we're on that too. Our
24 Beautification Committee. We have a whole lot
25 of ideas what we want to do with that, how we



1 want it trimmed, how we want it to look, the
2 trees we want in it, see if the water
3 sprinklers are working. We're trying to bring
4 all that up to date, and we like taking one
5 step at a time 'cause right now we've got a lot
6 going on with the Beautification Committee and
7 we're like all over. And we're hitting 'em,
8 we're getting slapped down, but we're coming
9 back. But that's one of two because I also
10 would like the island curb to be painted, you
11 know, we have some cracks in there so we're
12 working on that too.

13 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Now, are you talking about the island
14 curbs that we already have there or ---

15 **MR. THOMAS:** Yeah, the island in the middle, you
16 know, just ---

17 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Right.

18 **MR. THOMAS:** --- spruce it up, make it look good
19 when you look from 17, you see, you know, you
20 see a good view down to the ocean. But we've
21 been back and forth on a whole lot of stuff.

22 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Yeah, I think we're talking about two
23 different locations.

24 **MAYOR EVANS:** But see I think -- yeah, the -- what
25 was my pet peeve if you -- Glenda remembers



1 when she was sitting on Council with us is
2 riding on 17, if you're not from here, you
3 don't know that you've left one town and went
4 to another ---

5 **MR. THOMAS:** Uh-huh.

6 **MAYOR EVANS:** --- so I was highly, highly interested
7 in getting on both ends, welcome to Atlantic
8 Beach probably in the center of the median and
9 kind of raised median with some palm trees and
10 kind of decorated at both entrances. And I
11 mean this is something that everybody in the
12 town has to kind of grab hold of and kind of
13 jump on the bandwagon 'cause I think that's not
14 just something I want, I think that's something
15 everybody would like to see ---

16 **MR. THOMAS:** I spoke with Ms. Isom on that ---

17 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yeah.

18 **MR. THOMAS:** --- and like, when you enter the town
19 from the north or you enter it from the south,
20 we've got the crooked sign there that says
21 Atlantic Beach. And I was thinking that maybe
22 we could put Atlantic Beach there and put that
23 emblem on the bottom of it to know that you're
24 coming in our town ---

25 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yeah.



1 **MR. THOMAS:** --- and leaving our town.

2 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yeah, 'cause see, this has been pushed
3 back so many times from so many different
4 administrations, and I want to definitely get
5 that done this time. I'm sure everybody
6 notices where the sidewalk stops when you get
7 to Atlantic Beach and there is no sidewalks on
8 17 on either side through Atlantic Beach, and
9 they stop at this end of North Myrtle Beach and
10 pick up back up in North Myrtle Beach. So
11 that's something I'm highly interested in
12 getting done in the very near future.

13 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Yeah, 'cause it doesn't really
14 signify that, you know, this is a historical
15 landmark or town you're passing through and so,
16 again, at the time when I was holding a seat,
17 that was one of the things that we discussed
18 and how to make an appearance of driving
19 through Atlantic Beach different and to know
20 that you've driven -- you've left one town and
21 entering into another.

22 **MAYOR EVANS:** Right.

23 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay, so -- okay. And then my next
24 thing is -- it's about the basketball court.
25 Is the basketball court for sale or is it not



1 because, of course, the day that I spoke with
2 the surveyor, he was hired to -- I'm a person
3 in business. I'm not gonna pay for a survey or
4 something to be completed just to be spending
5 money out of my pocket for no reason and not
6 plan on buying, purchasing a property, that
7 just don't make good business sense. So for
8 me, my question, and one of the other young
9 ladies back here in the neighborhood, her
10 question is, is the basketball court for sale
11 or is it not?

12 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** No, it's not for sale ---

13 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Not.

14 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** There was a proposal, if you
15 recall, someone submitted a request of proposal
16 to purchase the basketball court. What had
17 happened was that that particular perspective
18 purchaser initiated a survey pending the
19 approval of Council to purchase the property.
20 The surveyor, after -- I think that was in
21 November of 2020 that that proposal came in.
22 When Council voted not to sell the property,
23 the surveyor started back the process without
24 the owner's consent to do a survey on the
25 property without their authorization. I spoke



1 to the owner of the -- or the proposed buyer of
2 that and the company that they had hired
3 pending the sale of the property to have the
4 survey done took it upon their own initiative
5 to conduct that survey. So I contacted and
6 researched it and found out that's what's --
7 generated it. In terms of that, the purchaser
8 of this survey that wasn't supposed to take
9 place indicated that if she has to pay, she
10 will donate the survey to the Town. But it was
11 not authorized to do it. And the answer to the
12 question is no, it is not for sale.

13 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay, so the final answer is, it
14 wasn't authorized in January and it wasn't
15 authorized in June?

16 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** No.

17 **MS. WILLIAMS:** I'll check that one off. And then,
18 is the basketball goal location -- was it ever
19 determined that we would have it not deemed a
20 park? And what's the clarity on it?

21 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** The latest status in terms of,
22 because the Town received federal and state
23 funding for the basketball court, under their
24 requirements it has to remain a public
25 facility, a public quote-unquote 'park' because



1 the Town received funding. And that is the
2 current status of the park right now.

3 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Is it recent funding?

4 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** No, no. It's been years, years
5 ago. Years ago that the Town received funding
6 to establish it as a quote-unquote 'park.'

7 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay. But will you be looking into
8 it 'cause after a certain number of years that
9 that funding has been received then it, like,
10 it can be amended or ---

11 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** No, my under ---

12 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- time lapsed.

13 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** No. My understanding from the
14 State and what I was informed that because the
15 Town received those moneys for a park, it has
16 to remain a park. Is there a process by which
17 you can appeal that or modify that, I don't
18 know the legal ramifications that -- or if it
19 can be done, but that's what my research -- I
20 was told by the State.

21 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay. That -- question on it. So,
22 when they received the fundings at the time --
23 it's my understanding -- that there was other
24 things that was there that would deem it a
25 park, like there was other playground pieces on



1 it at that time ---

2 **MAYOR EVANS:** Right, there was.

3 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- that deemed it a park. Those
4 playground pieces are not there any more so
5 that's the reason why I'm asking about the
6 appeal, or can you go back? Because there's
7 nothing -- there's nothing else on it that
8 makes up what a park is made up of other than
9 the basketball court.

10 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yeah, I think what she's saying, when
11 it was actually deemed a playground, there was
12 actually playground equipment out there. There
13 was actually swings, there was a merry-go-round
14 there and quite a few other things were there
15 that are not there any more.

16 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** To my understanding of what was
17 reported back to me by the State, it didn't
18 have anything to do with what equipment was
19 there, it had to -- was tied to the funding
20 that was received by the Town. But in answer
21 to your question, because it is no longer or
22 has those park facilities on it, whether that
23 can be changed is a different issue ---

24 **MAYOR EVANS:** Right.

25 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** --- that Council would have to



1 decide whether they want to make that change.

2 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay. And then I have one ---

3 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** That's ---

4 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- follow-up question. Like the
5 fireworks ordinance or the -- whatever --
6 however it reads in the ordinance for the
7 fireworks, what is -- like, what's the
8 determination of how someone is fined for
9 shooting fireworks?

10 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** A violation of the fire ---

11 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Yes.

12 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Of the ordinance?

13 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Yes.

14 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** That's a Police question.

15 **MAYOR EVANS:** All right, Chief.

16 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Chief?

17 **MAYOR EVANS:** Where's the Chief at?

18 **MS. WILLIAMS:** And then, Mr. Mayor, my last thing is
19 I wanted to put this before you, being you're
20 the one with lead authority here ---

21 **MAYOR EVANS:** All right.

22 **MS. WILLIAMS:** I'm off speaker (ph). And I'm really
23 asking these questions so I can answer because
24 it's questions that's coming to me and I just
25 want to be able to answer. Chief, I have a



1 question about the fireworks that came in
2 randomly (inaudible) on the beach earlier and
3 starting at the edge of town. How are we --
4 you all going to operate by that when giving a
5 fine to people shooting fireworks because I see
6 that some of this happened on the beach area
7 right at the end of 31st and going towards the
8 -- between 31st and 30th.

9 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Well, we do have an
10 ordinance in town that no fireworks can be shot
11 in the town unless approved through the
12 Council. They're -- even on a holiday. Now,
13 Fourth of July, we don't -- I'm gonna be honest
14 -- we don't stress it as much until 12:00
15 o'clock then we do kinda make sure they stop.
16 So we give them a little leeway on holidays in
17 general with it. That's only on the Fourth,
18 but at the same time, it's still illegal to
19 shoot fireworks in the Town of Atlantic Beach.
20 When --- our particular problem is when my guys
21 do go out, I'm pretty sure it is right that
22 somebody went over to tell them they could
23 shoot anything they come here and shoot
24 fireworks. So we do get out with them, we tell
25 them that they can't shoot here in Atlantic



1 Beach also. So they go back to North Myrtle
2 Beach, North Myrtle sends them back over here,
3 which we're trying to get that situation
4 solved. There is a park down a little bit
5 farther past on Myrtle Beach, it's a county
6 park that they can shoot fireworks. I'm trying
7 to find exactly where the location's at. It's
8 somewhere I think past Cherry Grove. It's
9 somewhere past Cherry Grove that is a part of
10 the county that's on the beach that they can
11 shoot fireworks.

12 **COMMISSIONER THOMAS (ph):** Well, it's not Atlantic.

13 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Yeah, it's not Atlantic
14 Beach, you're correct. It's not Atlantic
15 Beach. So, we don't allow fireworks here. And
16 also, when they do shoot fireworks (inaudible)
17 at nighttime, only got one vehicle out there
18 that can drive on the beach and that's
19 (inaudible). We've only got one vehicle that
20 can drive on the beach. So when my guys do go
21 out there, they go out there with red lights
22 and stuff so these guys see us coming and take
23 off running. So it's kinda hard to catch them.
24 We try to do -- we don't have the manpower like
25 North Myrtle Beach or Horry County that seeing



1 -- reenforcements out there that they're --
2 we've got one guy out there (inaudible) in the
3 dunes at nighttime by himself so they do try to
4 get to it. Sometimes -- every now and then, we
5 will get somebody ---

6 (Inaudible background noise.)

7 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** --- calling me or calling
8 the Town Manager or Mayor. Calls out on the --
9 it might not be an emergency, you all, but if
10 my guys are on traffic stops, anything, that
11 radio will get to them faster than a cell phone
12 call from me. So we do try to take care of it
13 but, at the same time, we do have only one guy
14 out at nighttime and he's trying to go out
15 there in the dark and locate any fireworks, but
16 sometimes we -- it seems like they're coming
17 from Atlantic Beach, sometimes they're coming
18 from North Myrtle Beach and, you know, and
19 we'll be on the radio back and forth with
20 County, trying to figure out if they're coming
21 from North or they're coming from Atlantic
22 Beach, which we know they do shoot some in
23 Atlantic Beach so I'm not gonna say they don't.
24 They do. We're just trying to catch ---

25 (Inaudible background noise.)



1 **MS. WILLIAMS:** And my last thing and I'm gonna get
2 out of the way is, Mr. Mayor, as I showed you
3 all the top of this document ...

4 **MAYOR EVANS:** Uh-huh.

5 **MS. WILLIAMS:** I would like to read off the
6 document, even we can pass it -- I can pass it
7 out to maybe even the ... (Inaudible.) Mr.
8 Mayor, I present to you all this document I
9 want to bring before you first for -- to
10 disseminate, you know, or showing anybody
11 anything. The document reads, we the
12 undersigned are petitioning the Mayor, Council
13 and Town Manager of Atlantic Beach, South
14 Carolina to pass an ordinance to stop residents
15 and non-residents from intentionally creating
16 income deficiencies to local businesses,
17 invading residents' privacy in Atlantic Beach,
18 South Carolina. We state or believe that the
19 petitioners are residents of Atlantic Beach,
20 South Carolina. There is wrongful interference
21 in business relationships. There's tortuous
22 interference in business relationships. There
23 is economic interference causing economic
24 damage and hardships for local businesses and
25 residents. There is an invasion of privacy



1 with residents, both personally and
2 professionally. There is legal interference
3 from wrongful conduct that prevents and/or
4 disturbs others from his or her usual
5 activities in the conduct of business. And the
6 -- by purposes of me bringing this -- I know on
7 May 24th, 2021, there were residents and
8 business owners that complained about the
9 ongoing problem with Paul James Curry as it
10 relates to being filmed or pictures taken of
11 them or videos or whatever that was happening.
12 I am presenting this today for the mere fact
13 that even in my business relationship and in my
14 contract, I have been (inaudible) that the
15 ongoing situation has caused economical
16 hardships with the business, and I'm presenting
17 it to you because I don't believe that it shows
18 just cause that I should take responsibility
19 for businesses complaining that they are losing
20 money or losing patrons or economical growth
21 due to the fact of what has been taking place.
22 And I do know, again, this was discussed May
23 24th, 2021 ---

24 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** I'm sorry, but I've got to go.

25 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- and so I would like to at least



1 present this. So any questions?

2 **MAYOR EVANS:** I don't. I don't have any ---

3 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** I don't have ---

4 **MAYOR EVANS:** --- thank you.

5 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay. Thank you.

6 **MAYOR EVANS:** You're quite welcome.

7 **MR. THOMAS:** I second that.

8 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

9 **MAYOR EVANS:** Council, seek a motion to adjourn.

10 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** So moved.

11 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved.

12 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Second.

13 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second to
14 adjourn. This meeting is adjourned at 7:10
15 p.m.

16 **CLERK:** Roll call.

17 **MAYOR EVANS:** Oh, yeah.

18 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

19 **MAYOR EVANS:** Well, hold on a minute. Hold on a
20 minute while I close out anyway ---

21 **CLERK:** Just a minute. For a minute.

22 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yeah.

23 **MS. GORE:** I should've did this today but I didn't
24 realize it was a meeting this evening. And --
25 but I want to thank everybody for what they did



1 for me during my husband's funeral (ph).

2 Thanks so much.

3 **MAYOR EVANS:** You're welcome.

4 **IN UNISON:** You're welcome.

5 **MS. GORE:** A lot of people that -- I didn't get
6 cards to some. I couldn't even get cards to
7 them 'cause I didn't know their addresses, but
8 I will get a card to you.

9 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you.

10 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Thank you.

11 **CLERK:** All right, roll call. Councilwoman
12 Josephine Isom?

13 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

14 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

15 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** (Inaudible.)

16 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

17 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. Motion granted. This meeting is
18 adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

19 **(There being nothing further, the meeting was**
20 **adjourned.)**

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