

TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, September 13, 2021

5:00 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 13th day of September, 2021.



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APPEARANCES

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mayor Jake Evans, Chairman
Councilman Lenearl Evans
Councilwoman Josephine Isom
Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore

ADMINISTRATION:

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

GUESTS:

Doreen Williams, United Nations Organization
Dr. Stewart Darby

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1 Call to Order:

2 **MAYOR EVANS:** This Town Council meeting is called to
3 order this Monday, September 13, year 2021 at
4 5:00 p.m. Roll call?

5 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

6 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Here.

7 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

8 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Here.

9 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

10 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Here.

11 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

12 **MAYOR EVANS:** Here. Council, seeking a motion to go
13 into Executive Session.

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

15 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Second.

16 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second to go in
17 Executive Session for legal and potential
18 litigation with Paul Curry and with our
19 personnel matters. Any other questions or
20 comments? Roll call.

21 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

22 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yea.

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. The motion granted.

4 Executive Session:

5 (Executive Session.)

6 MAYOR EVANS: Council, I seek a motion to come out
7 of Executive Session into the General Session.

8 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: So moved.

9 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Second.

10 MAYOR EVANS: Motion and a second to come out of
11 Executive into the General. Any other
12 questions or comments? Roll call.

13 CLERK: Councilman Lenearl Evans?

14 COUNCILMAN EVANS: Yea.

15 CLERK: Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

16 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Yea.

17 CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

18 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yea.

19 CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans?

20 MAYOR EVANS: Yea. Motion granted.

21 General Session:

22 MAYOR EVANS: I want to take out this time to
23 welcome the general public, welcome everybody,
24 and ask at this time if you have any cell
25 phones on you to put those on buzz or silent



1 for us please. And, if you would, stand for a
2 moment of silence.

3 (Moment of Silence.)

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

5 (Pledge of Allegiance recited in unison.)

6 **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to ceremonial matters.
7 Council members?

8 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Mr. Mayor, I would like to
9 announce on that ceremonial matters, the
10 weekend that they had the (inaudible) humanity
11 down there, that -- a certificate was given to
12 the Woods family, the Evans family, the Isom
13 family and the Gore family. Those certificates
14 came from Doreen Williams and I think she asked
15 that we bring you back so she can sign them.
16 I think she's here tonight so it was a good
17 night to get them signed.

18 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay, I think I've got mine. I'll ---

19 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Okay.

20 **MAYOR EVANS:** Any other ceremonial. If not, we're
21 down to approval of the agenda. Council, seek
22 a motion for the approval of the agenda as it
23 is outlined.

24 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved.

25 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Second.



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** Motion and a second for the approval
2 of the agenda ---

3 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

4 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yea.

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 is granted.

11 **Old Business:**

12 **MAYOR EVANS:** There are no Town Council meeting
13 minutes to approve. We're down to B. Ordinance
14 Number 7-2021, an ordinance to amend the Town
15 of Atlantic Beach Land Management Ordinance,
16 Title V, Chapter 3, Article IV Zoning
17 Districts, Division 2 Bulk, Dimensional and
18 Density Standards to allow for the subdivision
19 of duplexes in the R2 Zoning District, and this
20 will be the second reading.

21 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Yes, Mayor and Council, this is
22 the second reading of this ordinance. Carol
23 Coleman from the Waccamaw COG did a
24 presentation to Council at our last meeting on
25 the impact and changes that this proposed



1 ordinance would affect the Town, and asking a
2 -- to approval of this recommendation of
3 Ordinance 7-2021.

4 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay, Council, seek a motion to adopt
5 Ordinance Number 7-2021.

6 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved.

7 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Second.

8 **MAYOR EVANS:** If there are no other questions or
9 comments, roll call.

10 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

11 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yea.

12 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

13 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

14 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

15 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

16 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

17 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. Motion's granted.

18 **New Business:**

19 **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to New Business, Resolution
20 Number 5-2021, a resolution designating an
21 authorized representative and contact person
22 for purposes of the American Rescue Plan Act of
23 2021.

24 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor, Council and public, this is
25 a resolution just designating a representative



1 for the Town of Atlantic Beach to be the point
2 person for the receipt and processing of funds
3 that have been allocated to the municipality
4 while under the COVID Relief Act -- American
5 Rescue Plan Act relief. This is just
6 indicating that the Town Manager will serve as
7 the point of contact and have access to enter
8 the online portal to access those relief funds
9 when they're available.

10 **MAYOR EVANS:** Council, seek a motion to adopt
11 Resolution Number 5-2021.

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

13 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Second.

14 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second to adopt
15 Resolution Number 5-2021. Any other questions
16 or comments? Roll call.

17 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

18 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yea.

19 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

20 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

21 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

22 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

23 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

24 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. Motion is granted. We're down
25 to Item B. under New Business, request to host



1 Annual Horry County Black Pearl Humanities
2 Festival August 21st through the 22nd in the
3 year of 2022 in Atlantic Beach, South Carolina
4 by United Nations Organization. Doreen
5 Williams.

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

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** Hello. You can come to the podium,
8 uh-huh.

9 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Hello, everyone.

10 **IN UNISON:** Hi.

11 **MS. WILLIAMS:** So, this is my first time addressing
12 the Council so forgive me if I make an errors,
13 and hello to all citizens of Atlantic Beach.
14 I want to first say thank you for allowing me
15 to host the first humanities festival. I don't
16 know how much time I have but ---

17 **MAYOR EVANS:** Three minutes.

18 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

19 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Really fast, it was -- it's the first
20 time that the festival has ever been hosted
21 here in Horry County, which is the largest
22 county in the State of South Carolina. Hosting
23 it was an experience and a blessing. Those
24 citizens who I have not had the opportunity to
25 speak to, I was driven to recognize the



1 historical families of Atlantic Beach. I
2 needed to go back to the 1930s and to
3 acknowledge those individuals that built
4 Atlantic Beach from what I consider a grain of
5 sand. I would like to also note that we have
6 had several good deliverables. Once again, I
7 don't know how much time I have. We've had
8 several good deliverables that came from the
9 very first festival and I'm -- and we are
10 asking that -- the Town of Atlantic Beach to
11 approve the continuance of the festival, for
12 one, because once I kinda started digging my
13 teeth into the research and the history of
14 Atlantic Beach, it's -- it is -- it's so
15 massive that you cannot do it all in one year,
16 there's no way to cover all the history of
17 Atlantic Beach in one festival. So with that,
18 I'd like to start by asking approval to
19 continue to host the festival. And thank you,
20 Councilwoman Isom, for recognizing the
21 certificates. I do have to finish -- Ms.
22 Warner (ph) is here, and I would like to get --
23 to sign your certificate and then, Mayor Evans
24 ---

25 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yes.



1 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- and I believe everyone's
2 certificate thus far is signed. I would like
3 to first begin by saying to have over 50 some
4 families that have not been inducted and
5 registered into the Horry County Museum,
6 something that has never been done before in
7 the history of the state, and we want to
8 continue to build on the families that need to
9 also be included in that effort. If I may --
10 let's see, with that being said, we do have --
11 just so that you see, we have gold plaques that
12 -- we have over 50 -- 54 gold plaques that have
13 already been engraved with the families' names
14 on them. They will be going up in the Horry
15 County Museum, and what we had asked them prior
16 to my dialogue with Council and the Mayor, is
17 to figure out -- to come up with a strategic
18 plan because there needs to be a picture that
19 goes along with each family name, and we have
20 to make sure that the correct picture goes with
21 the name. It is imperative, that has to -- so
22 with that being said ... You are also blessed
23 -- I don't know -- with the T-shirts that were
24 given with the Horry County historical -- with
25 the Atlantic Beach historical families and the



1 signs that were posted. I did have requests
2 during the festival from individuals that were
3 not historical families. I did think that it
4 was imperative to hold that honor to only give
5 out T-shirts or to give a historical family --
6 is that for me?

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yeah, you can go ahead and finish your
8 thoughts ---

9 **MS. WILLIAMS:** To give the signs that designated a
10 landmark within Atlantic Beach to only families
11 that were historical families or historical
12 landmarks, to have it go anywhere else would
13 take away the semblance of the event. So what
14 we're trying to do is the -- the what would be
15 the Horry County Black Pearl Humanities
16 Festival. The purpose of the festival would be
17 to include a family reunion of sorts for the
18 Atlantic Beach historical families. This would
19 also give an -- excellent recruitment
20 opportunities with partnering and collaborating
21 with our historical black colleges and
22 universities, as well as our vocational and
23 trade schools. Let's see, this would be also
24 a primary area -- or the only primary area that
25 we would have to ask family owners, landowners,



1 business owners if we could allow HBCUs to set
2 up their tent on their property, and that would
3 be the only time when that request would be --
4 would go out. If we could somehow choose a --
5 strategically think of how to get around that
6 then I think that's all part of a conversation,
7 but that would be the only time that we would
8 have to request usage from the land or
9 homeowners. Why? I would like to continue
10 hosting the festival to educate and highlight
11 the rich, historical contribution of the Town
12 of Atlantic Beach to the State of South
13 Carolina, to educate and highlight and secure
14 a place in South Carolina history for the
15 Atlantic Beach historical families and their
16 historical contributions to the Town of
17 Atlantic Beach, to uplift and display a rich,
18 cultural presence within the town. This could
19 include not only a recruitment row within the
20 festival, but it would also include an art and
21 a cultural row if you will. So, say like going
22 up -- and forgive me for not -- going up where
23 the cul-de-sac is, going up one side would be
24 the recruitment of all HBCUs, starting at the
25 cul-de-sac and run all the way up, that's just



1 how many HBCUs we want to participate. I'm
2 giving a goal of a hundred students that we
3 would love to see recruited and registered into
4 college. This would, of course, be over a time
5 period. And then the other side of the cul-de-
6 sac would be for art and cultural. That could
7 be anything from beautiful, cultural art that
8 is a part also of HBCUs as well. The win would
9 be because I'm under the umbrella of the United
10 Nations Association, all of my events are
11 centered around international days of
12 observance. So International Humanities (sic)
13 Day always falls on August 19th so I have
14 requested that the event always have a kickoff
15 of August 19th of the designated years. My
16 mission with the United Nations Association and
17 the 17 sustainable development goals goes up
18 until 2030, so my mission and my goal and my
19 work will continue on until 2030. So, with
20 that being said -- and the time, of course, Mr.
21 Quattlebaum has highlighted that, would of
22 course be the same time. We don't want to be
23 there all night long, we don't want to be there
24 at nighttime, we want to have a celebratory
25 event from 1:00 to 6:00 and hopefully get



1 everyone home and safe before it really gets
2 dark, and that's what we would like to kinda
3 continue with. I was pleased to know that the
4 Town was pleased with the cleanup and the
5 efforts that was made. We had a -- an awesome
6 group of people that participated in the event.
7 Melba Moore was -- I specifically -- my purpose
8 for bringing this woman here was because she
9 was here before, and it was important to me to
10 bring her back and to welcome her to Horry
11 County and to just embrace her presence with
12 the icon that she is, which she has signed
13 already a five-year contract with me and today
14 we met via phone. I wanted to thank, as we
15 also like to do, is to be a venue for icons
16 within the industry of wealth so, if we partner
17 with Atlantic Beach, we're now partnering with
18 icons that mean a place to stow -- earn revenue
19 ---

20 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay.

21 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- and this gives them an outlet to
22 do that at the House of Blues as well as other
23 areas, so that has been done. The where?
24 We're only looking at the cul-de-sac area. I
25 believe that it was appreciated that we stay



1 within the parameters of that cul-de-sec and I
2 made it very clear to everyone involved that we
3 pretty much were not to go one foot over the
4 red bricks, and I would like to, you know,
5 thank everyone that was a part of that that
6 everyone did comply ---

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay, Ms. Williams, we've got a copy
8 of your pamphlet here and ---

9 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Thank you.

10 **MAYOR EVANS:** --- probably what we're going to look
11 at is your in-kind contribution request.
12 They're just getting this ---

13 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay.

14 **MAYOR EVANS:** --- hadn't had really a chance to
15 kinda dig into it and look into it yet.

16 **MS. WILLIAMS:** It's okay.

17 **MAYOR EVANS:** But we'll be in contact with you and
18 the Town Manager going forward to kinda ---

19 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay.

20 **MAYOR EVANS:** --- put our heads together and see
21 what we can agree to do, or what the Town will
22 agree to do. Okay ---

23 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Can I make a -- the in-kind requests
24 that are down were suggestions ---

25 **MAYOR EVANS:** Right.



1 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- suggestions, but nothing that had
2 to be ---

3 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay.

4 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- they were -- if I were to ask the
5 Town for something, it might be A-B-C-D or E --
6 -

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay.

8 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- but nothing that is, you know,
9 confirmed and things like that.

10 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay.

11 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay?

12 **MAYOR EVANS:** Like I said, we will definitely be
13 working with -- like I said, they just -- and
14 myself, I'm just looking at this tonight as
15 well, but we'll be in touch with you.

16 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay, thank you.

17 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you.

18 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Mr. Mayor, may I ask a question ---

19 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yeah, you can ask a question.

20 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Ms. Williams, this question is in
21 regard to the last festival. What is your
22 source for revenue? And the second question,
23 I don't think the communication was done that
24 well in the last festival 'cause several people
25 in the town didn't even know about ---



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** Well ---

2 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** --- wondering what was going on ---

3 **MAYOR EVANS:** Well, just before -- before you answer
4 him, Joe, I kind of spoke with her about some
5 of the same things. It was a good thing that
6 she was trying to do, but I was wondering
7 myself why was none of the town residents and
8 ---

9 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Okay.

10 **MAYOR EVANS:** --- none of us were there because I
11 was there, and I kind of felt that's what it
12 was because I talked to quite a few people,
13 too, that didn't know anything about it ---

14 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** (Inaudible.)

15 **MAYOR EVANS:** --- so I'm just thinking that we're
16 starting this far in advance, by next summer,
17 we won't have the problem with this one that we
18 had last year because your ---

19 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay.

20 **MAYOR EVANS:** --- your point is in pocket, but I
21 think I spoke with her about some of the things
22 that you're asking ---

23 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** What about source of revenue ---

24 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yeah, you can go ahead ---

25 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** --- your organization?



1 **MS. WILLIAMS:** I footed the entire bill for that
2 festival, all four days. The funding came
3 from, I mean, we had the South Carolina
4 Humanities Council that helped to support
5 because the festival actually comes from -- or
6 is a South Carolina Humanities Council event.

7 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Well, that's -- the question came
8 up because we've gotten money from the South
9 Carolina (inaudible) Commission ---

10 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Commission.

11 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** --- in the past, and that question
12 came up.

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

14 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** So you're connected with the
15 Humanities Festival?

16 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Well -- their information is all over
17 the materials so it was definitely a South
18 Carolina ---

19 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Okay.

20 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- Humanities event ---

21 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Okay. I didn't really (inaudible)
22 just ---

23 **MS. WILLIAMS:** And just ---

24 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** --- what I heard, yeah.

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



1 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Right.

2 **MS. WILLIAMS:** And just to let you know, Michael
3 Gore was instrumental in reaching out to all
4 the families and the research because we kind
5 of -- is that all right to answer that? We
6 kind of ---

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yeah, you can answer.

8 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- came together on, okay, well, if
9 I get all the letters ready, you know, and I
10 went to -- went to the Town and asked what is
11 the best way to get the letters to all the
12 families, and so the suggestion, which was
13 Michael Gore, who was absolutely phenomenal and
14 he (inaudible) by phone, via computer,
15 researching addresses, to literally, physically
16 getting in his car and driving to each one of
17 these houses. Next year, we do plan on doing
18 like door-knockers, which will be, you know,
19 because we are starting early, we can put save
20 the date for 2022 on each resident's home, but
21 also noting that we started in -- this festival
22 actually started -- and worked from it and
23 working with -- started some time ago. It was
24 not a new -- a new whatever, but in June we
25 started working with our digital billboards



1 that -- I forget exactly how many displays went
2 up but it was quite a few, and it went up June,
3 July and part of August. We were in -- the
4 Visit is a -- Horry County tourist paper, we
5 were in the Myrtle Beach Herald, back page and
6 front page, and then we were also on the Aiken
7 News Wire -- or the news flyer ---

8 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Yeah, I understand that. I saw the
9 (inaudible). I'm talking the local ---

10 **MS. WILLIAMS:** And then we had ---

11 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Right.

12 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- we had word of mouth ---

13 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Yeah ---

14 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Yeah ---

15 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Well, I saw the ---

16 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Yeah, we had word of mouth. We also
17 had over 5,000 e-mails that went out, an e-mail
18 blast, that included hopefully -- those e-mails
19 that I do have, it definitely went out to you,
20 those that I don't, we hope to build on that.
21 The archive that Michael Moore pulled from, we
22 were hoping to gather more information that
23 would make that effort a little easier. So,
24 addresses that maybe weren't there, phone
25 numbers that weren't there because our history



1 goes back to the 1930s, it's a long -- a long,
2 long time so -- it's our first year out the
3 gate and, you know, we just -- we'll ---

4 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** One more question ---

5 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

6 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** --- do you go into different towns
7 and put festivals on?

8 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Do I go to different?

9 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Yeah.

10 **MS. WILLIAMS:** This is my first festival ever in my
11 entire ---

12 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Okay.

13 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Yeah. And it was massive and it
14 covered, once again, the largest county in the
15 state. There were events that went on for all
16 four days, starting with the House of Blues,
17 with the -- with, you know, a Tony-award-
18 winning, Grammy -- four time Grammy-awarded-
19 winning pop artist, bringing her in, that in
20 itself could've been a -- you know, and then we
21 had -- we invited the community out to
22 participate -- involve -- and you have to
23 remember, one of the golf courses that -- back
24 in -- we weren't allowed on those golf courses.

25 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay. Well, thank you, Ms. Williams.



1 (Inaudible background noise.)

2 **MAYOR EVANS:** All right, the next item is C.,
3 request to host the MLK RVING Weekend on
4 Atlantic Beach oceanfront, weekend January 14th
5 through the 17th of 2022. Dr. Stewart Darby.

6 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor and Council, Dr. Stewart
7 Darby, a recent property owner here in the Town
8 of Atlantic Beach, came to me with a proposal,
9 MLK RV Weekend. He is supposed to be on the
10 line. Dr. Darby, are you there?

11 **DR. DARBY:** Yes, I'm here. Can you hear me?

12 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Yes, we can.

13 **MAYOR EVANS:** Can you all hear?

14 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** You have the floor.

15 **DR. DARBY:** Good evening ---

16 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yes, see if he has -- we probably need
17 to get a microphone ---

18 (Inaudible background noise.)

19 **DR. DARBY:** --- we have a group of folks with the RV
20 on the Beach the weekend of -- Martin Luther
21 King weekend of January 14th through the 17th
22 that's coming into Atlantic Beach with the RVs
23 on Friday around noon and leaving around noon
24 on Monday. This is just kind of a networking
25 thing that we do with our RVs, and we think



1 it'll be a good opportunity for a lot of the
2 African-American RV owners to actually see
3 Atlantic Beach and hopefully will come back and
4 visit as vacationers or invest in property
5 there. We are asking the Town of Atlantic
6 Beach to secure the parking areas, that's kind
7 of the left of the cul-de-sac area, with a
8 couple (inaudible), you know, so north of Ocean
9 Boulevard in the area that -- kind of a parking
10 area that was roped off, and we're hoping to
11 get between 30 and 40 RVs there on the beach
12 for that weekend. Each RV owner will pay a sum
13 amount of \$150, which the total sum of -- if we
14 get 30 to 40, we're looking around four to
15 \$5,000 that will go to the Town of Atlantic
16 Beach. If the property owners, where we're
17 parking the vehicles require a fee, we would
18 suggest that the Town use the fee money from
19 the \$5,000 that's raised from the fees from the
20 RV owners. Hopefully, the property owners will
21 let us use the property that weekend at no cost
22 but we're not sure. That's kind of the gist of
23 it. We're ready to take questions if there's
24 any.

25 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** How are you gonna service the



1 RVs? Are ---

2 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** How are you gonna service the
3 RVs, like far as the sewage?

4 **DR. DARBY:** What was the question, how are we gonna
5 service the RVs ---

6 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** How are you gonna empty out the
7 tanks? How are you gonna empty the tanks?

8 **DR. DARBY:** I didn't get the question. Could
9 someone repeat it?

10 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** How will you empty the tanks on
11 the RVs, service them?

12 **DR. DARBY:** Oh, the tanks won't have to -- yeah, we
13 won't have to empty the tanks until after we
14 leave on Monday. There are areas in the North
15 Myrtle Beach area that have dumping sites ---

16 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Oh, yeah.

17 **DR. DARBY:** --- charge from five to \$10 that we can,
18 you know, use, dumping on our way out.

19 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

20 **DR. DARBY:** Yeah, each RV -- each RV is self-
21 contained so -- we all have generators so they
22 would run off the generators, there's no
23 electrical hookup in that area that we can plug
24 into. So, we'll have to have water in our
25 tanks, we'll have to have generators, and we'll



1 have the sewage in our tanks on the RVs, so
2 each RV will be self-contained.

3 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Okay.

4 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Mr. Darby, you need to deal with
5 the property owners ---

6 **DR. DARBY:** Yes.

7 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** --- in getting parking space on
8 your own. I don't think the Town of Atlantic
9 Beach is gonna take that responsibility and
10 that liability for parking, okay?

11 **DR. DARBY:** Yes. We talked about that. I -- we
12 were down there on the beach this summer where
13 people just came to the beach and parked
14 without asking anybody or getting permission so
15 we were hoping that the Town could secure the
16 parking space seeing that you guys already have
17 a relationship with the owners of the land. I
18 mean me, as a stranger, I can do it but they
19 don't really know me from, say, the Town of
20 Atlantic Beach. And I'm not sure -- all the
21 people was parking down there this summer, was
22 there a permit or people were just parking free
23 of charge there?

24 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** That's really up to the property
25 owner, but RVs are really not permitted unless



1 you have permission, which -- what you're doing
2 now, but we really don't want to, as the
3 government, want -- don't want to take on the
4 responsibility if something happens or
5 somebody's liable where we went and got them
6 and brought you to them, we prefer that you do
7 that, you contact the owner yourself and which
8 the office, Mr. Q., would have that information
9 on hand.

10 **DR. DARBY:** Okay. Is that what the cars, the
11 automobiles, were doing this summer, parking on
12 the beach?

13 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** They're mostly just parking. He
14 don't really have a problem with the parking
15 there so therefore I would just suggest that
16 you talk to him. I don't think he'd have a
17 problem with you doing it either but, you know,
18 I was ---

19 **DR. DARBY:** Okay ---

20 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** --- contact him myself, yes.

21 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Tell him about the insurance, you
22 have to work out ---

23 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** And yes, and like far as like
24 the insurance, and you will have to have
25 liability insurance, you know, you want to have



1 that coverage and the Town may or may not
2 require that you do it, but I wouldn't want to
3 do that if I was you, and the property owner
4 may also require that you have an insurance on
5 his property. So you just talk to him ---

6 **DR. DARBY:** Okay. Yeah ---

7 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** --- to see how he's ---

8 **DR. DARBY:** Yeah, yeah ---

9 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Uh-huh.

10 **DR. DARBY:** Okay. Yeah, well, all the RVs will be,
11 you know, properly insured, liability and
12 everything so if we need to sign a legal piece
13 of paper, they will be willing to do that just
14 so no one'll get into legal problems. Just in
15 case ---

16 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

17 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Okay, we do have this in our
18 thoughts and we will let you know, and we will
19 table it for right now but we'll be getting
20 back with you -- Mr. Q. will be getting back
21 with you on this.

22 **DR. DARBY:** Okay, all right. I appreciate it.

23 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you.

24 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Thank you.

25 **DR. DARBY:** Thank you.



1 **Manager's Report:**

2 **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to Manager's Report.

3 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor, Council and public, I would
4 like to update everyone on the COVID Relief --
5 19 Relief Funding. As all of you may know that
6 the funding was allocated because of our size
7 of our municipalities, the smaller
8 municipalities in the State of South Carolina,
9 was allocated through the State of North
10 Carolina. The State of North Carolina has not
11 released those funds -- federal funds that have
12 been allocated. Some time ago -- I think
13 they've been in as far back as June. I
14 received notice from the state upon setting up
15 the process for the drawdown of those funds
16 through a portal that will be set up through
17 the state. Part of that approval authorizing
18 me as the Town Manager to access those funds,
19 I have submitted all of the required
20 information that the state has asked for the
21 drawdown of those funds and am now waiting for
22 the notification of the portal process and
23 procedure for the actual drawdown of funds.
24 They -- the state has not announced an official
25 date when they're going to release the funds,



1 and we don't know but we're getting closer
2 hopefully to the drawdown of those funds. I
3 anticipate hopefully no later than the end of
4 the month, the beginning of next month --
5 hopefully. As indicated before, those funds
6 are restricted in terms of their use.
7 Primarily, there are a number of designated
8 requirements and the tracking of those funds as
9 they are expended that we're required to do
10 and, once those funds are received by the Town,
11 we will set up a separate fund account so that
12 we don't commingle the funds with general
13 operating funds or any other funds that the
14 Town receives. So once we get notified of the
15 actual drawdown process -- we have been
16 approved and submitted all of the required
17 documentation that the state has asked for to
18 draw down those funds. Mayor and Council, any
19 questions?

20 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Not from me.

21 **MAYOR EVANS:** No.

22 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** The only other thing I have,
23 Mayor, I would like to thank Councilwoman Isom
24 for her support and help in identifying and
25 getting registered town property -- properties



1 on the 9-1-1 emergency list. By doing so, we
2 found that a number of the properties in the
3 town are not -- some of the new properties that
4 have been built and some of the older
5 properties are not listed on the 9-1-1
6 emergency call list so that if there's an
7 emergency called out through fire or police
8 that we have an identified address notified
9 through the 9-1-1 system so that they are not
10 running around looking for and trying to
11 identify. The street signs that -- the
12 Beautification Committee was also helpful in
13 that effort so that when emergency services
14 vehicles come into the town, they can identify
15 what the streets -- and hopefully now, we want
16 to focus on and encourage all the residents to
17 notify their neighbors and people that they
18 know to have their house numbers listed on
19 their property so they are readily identifiable
20 in the case of emergency and that they have to
21 come into the town. In fact, just the other
22 day, we had the Fire Department come in and was
23 searching around to try to find a different --
24 a particular property's -- that they didn't
25 have a listing in terms of the property



1 address. So, Ms. Isom, through her
2 relationship with the County, has identified
3 and is doing up a map for the town that will
4 give 9-1-1 a listing of all of the property
5 addresses in the Town of Atlantic Beach and I
6 want to thank her for her diligence and her
7 efforts in doing that, and we're about to
8 finalize that information and we're encouraging
9 you again to let your neighbors and everybody,
10 property owners, know to have their house
11 number posted on their property for emergency
12 and safety reasons. Something the Chief and I
13 had talked about several months ago, Ms. Isom
14 took the initiative and getting us there in
15 terms of getting that done so I'd like to thank
16 her.

17 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Thank you, Ms. Isom.

18 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor, that's all I have.

19 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you.

20 **MS. LANCE:** Mr. Mayor, correction in reference to
21 the Town Manager. He said the City -- I mean
22 the State of North Carolina in your
23 information, do you mean the State of South
24 Carolina, not the State ---

25 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** I said North Carolina?



1 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yes, you did. I thought he ---

2 (Inaudible background noise.)

3 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: I stand corrected. South
4 Carolina. Thank you, Ms. ---

5 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: On the COVID? On the COVID Fund?
6 Okay. I'm sorry ---

7 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yep, you sure did.

8 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: Thank you.

9 Public Time:

10 MAYOR EVANS: All right, we're down to Public Time.

11 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: We'll take their money too.

12 MAYOR EVANS: We're down to Public Time. Paul
13 Curry.

14 MR. CURRY: So I see on the agenda once again,
15 there's an Executive Session item, potential
16 litigation with Paul Curry. I wonder if you
17 realize how expensive litigation is. I mean,
18 number one, if the issue is taking pictures in
19 the town, it's well-established law that a
20 person has no expectation of privacy when
21 you're in public so I don't know where you
22 think you're going with that. However, if you
23 do initiate litigation, I will be issuing
24 interrogatories to the Town, asking you to
25 answer my questions in writing. I will be



1 issuing production of documents, requests for
2 productions of documents, and I'll be doing
3 depositions. I figure that your Town Manager
4 is probably gonna take about 16 hours 'cause
5 we're gonna go back through every single
6 Freedom of Information Act Request I've made
7 that's been ignored, we're gonna talk about why
8 I'm not being notified of Council meetings when
9 it's state law and the judge's order in place,
10 and I'm wondering who's gonna pay for all this.
11 If a lawyer charges \$200 an hour for out of
12 court and your Town Manager's deposition is 16
13 hours, that's \$3,200 right there. And as far
14 as Ms. Glenda Williams goes, I figure probably
15 about eight hours. One of my other FOIA
16 requests I made was her lawyer filed a pleading
17 that says she did \$170,000 worth of
18 improvements to the building at 413 31st Avenue
19 South. I stood before this Council and I asked
20 to see the records of that. Where are the
21 building permits, where are the applications?
22 Well, if you won't answer, I'll get Glenda
23 Williams to answer under oath.

24 **MAYOR EVANS:** Joe Montgomery.

25 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Thank you.



1 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Thank you, Mr. Mayor. I just
2 wanted to give you an update, you and -- on the
3 election, you know, we have the election on
4 November 2nd, and we have two candidates, Jim
5 Dewitt and Lamar Campbell. Dewitt is here, I
6 saw him. And Lamar Campbell is here too?

7 **MR. CAMPBELL:** Yes.

8 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Good to meet you, I hadn't met you.

9 (Inaudible background noise.)

10 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** We usually have spirited elections
11 for those of you who are new to this area, but
12 I don't think we'll have a lot of controversy
13 this year. I hope not. Of course, there's
14 always a chance of having a (inaudible), you
15 can do that (inaudible) time for the election.
16 And the -- you must be registered 30 days
17 before election ---

18 (Inaudible background noise.)

19 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** --- I will be in charge of
20 executing the election here so you can call me
21 if you have any questions or Carolyn Gore or
22 Kenneth McIver or Sheriff (inaudible) but
23 seeing as I know everything from ---

24 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** That's right.

25 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** --- I keep up with the state law,



1 you know about that, but all the technical
2 stuff, Kenneth should know (inaudible) so
3 Cheryl does and I do. So if you have any
4 questions, call me or those people about
5 elections. Other than that, hope you have a
6 good election.

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

8 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** Thank you.

9 **MAYOR EVANS:** Jim Dewitt? Just state your name for
10 the record.

11 **MR. DEWITT:** My name is Jim Dewitt. I'm a resident
12 of Atlantic Beach. My family has owned
13 property here for 47 years this past June.
14 Want to greet Council, Mayor, staff, citizens.
15 I seek your support in running for one of the
16 open seats that's coming up, along with Mr.
17 Lamar Campbell. Our goal is to help take our
18 town to the next level. It's a great
19 (inaudible) in Atlantic Beach. Thank you.

20 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you.

21 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Thank you.

22 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Thank you.

23 **MAYOR EVANS:** John Sketers.

24 **MR. SKETERS:** Thank you, Mayor. I want to take this
25 opportunity to request a meeting with the



1 Mayor, Town Manager and a Council member. I
2 have some things that I would like to enlighten
3 them in, and the reason I narrowed it down
4 instead of coming up because I don't want to
5 get a quorum because that's constitutes for a
6 meeting of the public, but I want to meet with
7 the Mayor, the Town Manager and a Council
8 member. My reason for that is because I have
9 identified so many areas in the Town of
10 Atlantic Beach where we need more
11 accountability so I want to point out some of
12 the things that I have identified that really,
13 really, really would help take this city to the
14 next level. You can't jump from A to Z and
15 take care of all the things in between A and Z,
16 and that should be all of our concern, not only
17 my concern. And me, myself, being here every
18 day, I can see where Atlantic Beach is slowly
19 falling behind, and anybody that's -- have been
20 in any government services and knows anything
21 about progress have -- could identify the city,
22 but I want -- I want the government to know I
23 am not trying to pick on you, I'm just
24 identifying things that will help all of us
25 improve in the Town of Atlantic Beach and I



1 want to thank you. And what I need now, I need
2 an answer ASAP, and the reason I need an
3 answer, I need it before the 21st of this month
4 because I have a court date and I was issued a
5 citation for the event that we had here this --
6 in November, and I went to the Mayor, checked
7 with him about it, he put it on Mr.
8 Quattlebaum, but I -- I'm not going to
9 institute an argument here so I'll be waiting
10 for an answer in writing about the meeting that
11 I need with the Mayor, Town Manager and a
12 Council member. I want to thank you.

13 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay, well, specifically since you've
14 called me and Mr. Quattlebaum out there, I
15 guess I need to respond a little bit, find out
16 exactly what you are -- what you are talking
17 about because I think what you're talking
18 about, you mentioned to me about vending the
19 day they had the Humanities Festival and I
20 asked you, did you have a vendor permit and you
21 said no. And from that point on, I thought you
22 clearly understood that if you don't have a
23 vendor permit, then you shouldn't be vending.
24 I didn't put anything on Mr. Quattlebaum.

25 **MR. SKETERS:** Mr. Mayor, and not ---



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** Well, we'll talk -- didn't you say you
2 wanted to have a meeting with us. We'll talk
3 about it when you have a meeting with us ---

4 **MR. SKETERS:** Mr. Mayor, for the sake of not having
5 an argument, I explained it to you, and you
6 said Mr. Quattlebaum didn't want vendors, and
7 I related to you, I said you are the Mayor for
8 the Town of Atlantic Beach ---

9 **MAYOR EVANS:** Well, see, you're making it now that
10 you don't -- I don't even want to meet with you
11 because you're telling me I said something that
12 I didn't say already. We'll talk about it in
13 a meeting when we get ready to talk -- me, you
14 and Mr. Quattlebaum, okay ---

15 **MR. SKETERS:** I await ---

16 **MAYOR EVANS:** --- thank you, sir. All right, thank
17 you. Thank you.

18 **MR. SKETERS:** You've got to realize you're a public
19 servant.

20 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you. Ms. Gloria Lance?

21 **MS. LANCE:** Good evening, Mayor and Council.

22 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

23 **MS. LANCE:** We've got two elections here, right,
24 Mayor? Oh my goodness.

25 **(Inaudible background noise.)**



1 **MS. LANCE:** Mr. Manager, would you pass that to
2 Council?

3 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

4 **MS. LANCE:** Council members, as all of you know in
5 town, Ms. Alice Graham and myself work for FEMA
6 and therefore we're -- we come upon grants for
7 towns, and this is in reference to COVID, can
8 I just say ---

9 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

10 **MS. LANCE:** --- also is aware of this. If you know
11 of any person who has had COVID and have died
12 from COVID, FEMA will pay up to \$9,000. As of
13 the 25th of August, FEMA has paid out 900
14 million dollars so there's money there, money
15 that citizens need to be aware of. The number
16 -- if you do not have this 800 number, please
17 write it down. It is 844-684-6333, 844-684-
18 6333. You must have -- the family member must
19 have the documentation, the death certificate,
20 and there are other criteria that they do have
21 to have but it's there, the money is available.
22 You don't get anything for free, but this is
23 for free, that FEMA will pay up to -- it's just
24 like when Alice and I (inaudible) we're working
25 from home now therefore -- because of COVID --



1 and once an applicant is approved for monies,
2 they actually get that money, FEMA will send
3 them that money, they are approved for it,
4 okay? So -- it's just like any disaster, if
5 Ida has come through, God granted -- well, we
6 didn't have to have Ida come up the coast, the
7 East Coast here to hit us -- it was in the Gulf
8 -- and that leads me to tell you that there is
9 also money that I did talk to the Town Manager
10 about in reference to grants for mitigation,
11 3.5 billion dollars, Council, out there,
12 sitting for cities like ours, or towns like
13 ours, that we want to mitigate any hazard when
14 it comes to storms. There is a small town
15 called Princeville, North Carolina, and Mr. Q.,
16 maybe you're aware of that town, that's on the
17 third page. Princeville, North Carolina, it is
18 the oldest, African-American incorporation.
19 They received in this year, July, 11 million
20 dollars, 11 million, because they applied for
21 this grant. So it's up to Council to make the
22 policies to see what's available, and I'm just
23 asking Council and the Town Manager, there is
24 an 80/20 percent if you -- in -- and the share
25 for the Town could be 20 percent if you are



1 approved. You might not -- we might not even
2 get approved at all ---

3 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Right.

4 **MS. LANCE:** --- we might not, but if we don't try,
5 you know, we won't get approved, so that's
6 right there, a hundred percent. So I'm just
7 asking Mayor and Council to look at this, the
8 Manager knows exactly where to go. You have
9 from September 30th until January of '22. And
10 the County, Horry County, with this COVID,
11 they've gotten approved for over 400 million
12 dollars and just a drawdown of 68 million
13 dollars. We can get some funding, Council,
14 we've just got to work for it.

15 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** That's right.

16 **MS. LANCE:** Just gotta work for it.

17 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** And apply.

18 **MS. LANCE:** And apply, that's the work in it. When
19 you're talking about 3.5 billion dollars, you
20 better believe, Louisiana is gonna get a heck
21 of a lot of that money, North Carolina is gonna
22 get some of that money, as well as, New
23 Jersey's gonna get some of that money. So I
24 know my time just went over, Mr. Mayor, I just
25 have a couple more things. One is in reference



1 to -- Mr. Town Manager indicated that, yes, we
2 are approved for \$200,000 for the COVID Relief.
3 Has anybody spoken to Tim Scott or Tom Rice in
4 order for us to get that money because we are
5 in need. Anybody? Just talk to them and see
6 whether or not if they can talk to the Governor
7 and see if we can get that money. And Tom
8 Rice's office works for us, and Tim Scott's
9 should as well, but Tom Rice is our
10 representative so talk to them. The legal
11 (inaudible), see if we can get that funding.
12 That's what I'm saying. The other thing,
13 Council, there are a lot of people in this
14 town, there's several of us, that would like to
15 get the municipal handbook. I spoke with
16 Charlie -- what's his last name, Mr. Q., the
17 field rep for -- from the Municipal
18 Association?

19 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Charlie Barrineau.

20 **MS. LANCE:** Barrineau. He said he would be willing
21 to come and actually do a training, and we used
22 to have that when I was on Council for the new
23 Council members, as well as, if the Town
24 ordered extra books, the cost is only \$10. We
25 would be willing to pay for that \$10 per book



1 because you want to educate your citizens, you
2 want to educate yourself, you want to educate
3 the new Town people who are gonna be on Council
4 because you guys, just a moment ago, you didn't
5 table Ms. Doreen and you didn't table -- there
6 was one other -- the RV rig, RV, that should've
7 been voted on to table it. So when you left
8 it, it dropped, it went dead. Went dead. The
9 last thing is, I had an opportunity to read my
10 municipal handbook and maybe in the rules in
11 procedure ordinance, Mr. Mayor and Council, I
12 know that -- I spoke to Ms. Isom about this in
13 reference to a mayor pro tem. We haven't had
14 a mayor pro tem since when?

15 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** McLaurin.

16 **MS. LANCE:** Since Mr. McLaurin ---

17 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** McLaurin.

18 **MS. LANCE:** And he's been gone for how long?

19 **MAYOR EVANS:** Two years at the most.

20 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Two years.

21 **MS. LANCE:** Two years. Council should not be
22 without a mayor pro tem. Anything can happen,
23 anything. You need to have a mayor pro tem, by
24 law you're supposed to have a mayor pro tem.
25 That's by law, and that's the -- it's in the



1 rules and procedures that you're not supposed
2 to have ---

3 (Inaudible background noise.)

4 **MS. LANCE:** --- is that right, Charlie (ph)? You
5 must have. The other thing is we are a full
6 form of government, that means if Council
7 decides that they want to put something on the
8 agenda, that is the Council's bid to do that,
9 that should not be taken off by anybody.
10 Council needs to address those issues so there
11 are issues that need to be addressed.

12 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** We are aware of that. We are
13 very much aware of us being able to put on
14 there and we're actually aware of the mayor pro
15 tem, I think it's more like this COVID thing is
16 what came -- after the fact because there was
17 a time when we discussed it and then nobody
18 started coming to the meetings and I know for
19 sure I wasn't here when they were -- I think we
20 had it there but we are very much aware, but
21 thanks for that, but we must get a mayor pro
22 tem but we've, like I said, we've just haven't
23 done it because of COVID. I think that's
24 mainly our excuse right there.

25 **MS. LANCE:** Thank you so much, Council.



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you.

2 **MS. LANCE:** You can Google Princeville. I did
3 before coming ---

4 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** I am. I was looking at that. I
5 am, that's pretty interesting to look at that
6 right there, uh-huh.

7 **MS. LANCE:** Look at Princeville, you can see that
8 their city is on the water.

9 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Is that up near Little
10 Washington, North Carolina?

11 **MS. LANCE:** That's up near Rocky Mountains ---

12 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Rocky Mountains, okay.

13 **MS. LANCE:** Yes, so look at that. Thank you, Mayor
14 and Council.

15 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you ---

16 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** You're welcome. Thank you ---

17 **MAYOR EVANS:** --- is Knowledge Divine here?

18 **MR. DIVINE:** Thank you, Mayor, Council and Town
19 Manager. My first question is, I didn't quite
20 understand, did the Ordinance 7-2021 ...

21 **MAYOR EVANS:** It's passed.

22 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** It's passed.

23 **MR. DIVINE:** It was passed?

24 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yes.

25 **MR. DIVINE:** Okay, thank you.



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

2 **MR. DIVINE:** And my second is, Mr. Quattlebaum, I'd
3 like an update on the playground.

4 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Yes, at the last meeting, I
5 reported to the Council and the public that the
6 Waccamaw COG changed the process by which the
7 solicitation of vendors to do -- construction
8 contractors to do the actual renovation work,
9 I was initially told that -- by the State that
10 we could select a contractor off the pre-state
11 contract list, pre-bid list, and then their
12 contracting department came back and told my
13 representative of the COG that we would have to
14 publicly bid and advertise the contract to make
15 an award to a contractor. Specifications I've
16 given to the Waccamaw COG, they're the lead
17 agency in putting the bids in the new --
18 notification in the paper and coordinating the
19 bid response, which the advertisement will take
20 30 days for the -- I mean for the -- it has to
21 be posted for at least 30 days. Once the
22 specifications are advertized and we --
23 requesting requests for proposals, and
24 contractors will have the expertise in the
25 renovation of playground, materials and



1 equipment, will be asked to bid on.

2 **MR. DIVINE:** I heard -- 'cause I know the last time
3 that we spoke, I think you told me you had four
4 contractors qualified ---

5 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Yes.

6 **MR. DIVINE:** --- choose from one of them now. Is
7 that the same contractors or has that been
8 changed?

9 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** It will be those plus anything
10 others in terms of that, that's -- there were
11 four on the safe contract list, preapproved,
12 that we hoped that we could just go on and
13 select one from that list with the RFP process,
14 it expands it beyond just those four to anyone
15 who's qualified to submit a bid or response --
16 a proposal.

17 **MR. DIVINE:** Okay.

18 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** It's not a bid, a proposal ---

19 **MR. DIVINE:** 30 days so that was at the last
20 meeting?

21 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** No, 30 days from when Waccamaw COG
22 posted the specifications I've given them.

23 **MR. DIVINE:** Oh, okay.

24 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** They have not posted them yet.

25 **MR. DIVINE:** They haven't posted 'em yet?



1 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** No, they -- the specifications in
2 -- is in their hands and they have to put it in
3 the advertisement in the paper. I'll notify
4 you once it's been posted. I can mail you that
5 information.

6 **MR. DIVINE:** And that was Waccamaw ---

7 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Waccamaw COG.

8 **MR. DIVINE:** Waccamaw TOC ---

9 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** COG, COG. Waccamaw COG.

10 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** COG, C-O-G.

11 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Council of Governments. Council
12 of Governments ---

13 **MR. DIVINE:** Council, oh, Council of Governments.

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

15 **MR. DIVINE:** Oh, okay.

16 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** --- they were the lead agency that
17 assisted us in applying for the CDBG Grant,
18 they have the administrative responsibility to
19 oversee the implementation of that CDBG Grant,
20 okay, so they are the agency and they're taking
21 the lead on getting the administrative work
22 done to get the bids out and get the response
23 and the award of the contract and the
24 completion of the project.

25 **MR. DIVINE:** Okay. My only concern is I know



1 several years ago we started the process, and
2 I know COVID came about and whatever, so, you
3 know, I'd like to see some movement for that
4 little girl that's probably 20 years old now
5 that asked for that. You remember that
6 meeting?

7 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Yeah ---

8 **MR. DIVINE:** So ---

9 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** --- and I'm in the same boat as
10 you, and I'm frustrated with the COG in terms
11 of -- 'cause I thought we were at a point that
12 we would be able to select a contractor and
13 start construction sometime this fall but, as
14 I indicated to you in terms of that, I have no
15 control over that, they make the decisions
16 around that, I have to abide by their
17 administrative procedures and what their
18 lawyers and their administrative contract
19 people tell me, and I agree with you 100
20 percent. So I'm just as frustrated as you are
21 in terms of it should've have been moved along
22 further in the process but I can't -- it's out
23 of my control totally to get that done ---

24 **MR. DIVINE:** Okay. All right, thank you.

25 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Thank you.



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you. I did have a comment card
2 from Glenda Williams. Is she not here? No?
3 Well, that's it, guys. I seek a motion to
4 adjourn.

5 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved ---

6 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** So moved.

7 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Second.

8 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Second.

9 **MAYOR EVANS:** Motion and a second to adjourn. If
10 there's no questions or comments, roll call.

11 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

12 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yea.

13 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

14 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

15 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

16 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

17 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

18 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

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

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