

TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, April 4, 2022

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 4th day of April, 2022.



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COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mayor Jake Evans, Chairman
Councilman Edward Lamar Campbell
Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom
Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore
Councilman Jim DeWitt

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, April 4th, year 2022 at 5:00
4 p.m. Roll call.

5 **CLERK:** Councilman Edward Campbell?

6 **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:** Here.

7 **CLERK:** Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?

8 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** Here.

9 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore? Councilman Jim
10 DeWitt?

11 **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:** Here.

12 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

13 **MAYOR EVANS:** Here. Council, I seek a motion to go
14 into our Executive Session for legal and
15 personnel matters.

16 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** So moved, Mayor.

17 **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:** Second.

18 **MAYOR EVANS:** Motion and a second to go into
19 Executive Session for legal and personnel
20 matters. Any other discussions -- questions or
21 discussion? Roll call.

22 **CLERK:** Councilman Edward Campbell?

23 **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:** Yea.

24 **CLERK:** Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?

25 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** Yea.



1 **CLERK:** Councilman Jim DeWitt?

2 **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:** Yes.

3 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

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

5 **Executive Session:**

6 **(Executive Session.)**

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

9 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** So moved, Mr. Mayor.

10 **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:** Second ---

11 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Second.

12 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second on the
13 floor to come out of Executive Session into the
14 General Session. Any other questions or
15 comments? Roll call.

16 **CLERK:** Councilman Edward Campbell?

17 **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:** Yea.

18 **CLERK:** Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?

19 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** Yea.

20 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

21 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

22 **CLERK:** Councilman Jim DeWitt?

23 **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:** Yea.

24 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

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



1 General Session:

2 **MAYOR EVANS:** I want to take this time to welcome
3 the public ask at this time if you have cell
4 phones that might disturb the proceedings that
5 you put those on silence for us at this time
6 please. We're down to ceremonial matters. I
7 don't have anything but I do want to recognize
8 Mr. Sketers here, he had a death in his family,
9 one of his daughters passed away and -- who's
10 a resident of Atlantic Beach for a number of
11 years and we want to offer our condolences to
12 the Sketers Family at this time. We're down to
13 approval of the agenda. Council, seek a motion
14 for the approval of the agenda as it is
15 outlined.

16 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved.

17 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** Second.

18 **MAYOR EVANS:** Motion and a second for the approval
19 of the agenda. If there are no other questions
20 or comments, roll call.

21 **CLERK:** Councilman Edward Campbell?

22 **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:** Yea.

23 **CLERK:** Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?

24 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** Yea.

25 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?



1 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yea.

2 CLERK: Councilman Jim DeWitt?

3 COUNCILMAN DeWITT: Yea.

4 CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans?

5 MAYOR EVANS: Yea. The motion is granted.

6 Old Business:

7 MAYOR EVANS: We're down to Old Business, Town
8 Council meeting minutes, the meeting minutes
9 from Town Council meeting held on March the
10 2nd, 2022. Seek a motion for the approval.

11 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: So moved.

12 MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Second.

13 MAYOR EVANS: Motion and a second is on the floor
14 for the approval of the March 2nd -- March 7th,
15 2022 meeting minutes. If there are no other
16 questions or comments, roll call.

17 CLERK: Councilman Edward Campbell?

18 COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL: Yea.

19 CLERK: Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?

20 MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Yea.

21 CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

22 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yea.

23 CLERK: Councilman Jim DeWitt?

24 COUNCILMAN DeWITT: Yea.

25 CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans?



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. The motion is granted. We're
2 down to Item B. which is Ordinance Number 3-
3 2022, Council. This -- we needed to see more
4 information on this. You guys want to table
5 this?

6 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay, we're gonna table Item B. Seek
8 a motion to table Item B. Ordinance Number 3-
9 2022, which is the amendment of Ordinance
10 Number 1-2018, seek a motion to make -- seek a
11 motion to table it.

12 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved, Mr. Mayor.

13 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** Second.

14 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second on the
15 floor to table Ordinance Number 4-2022 (sic).
16 Any other questions or comments? Roll call.

17 **CLERK:** Councilman Edward Campbell?

18 **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:** Yea.

19 **CLERK:** Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?

20 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** Yea.

21 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

22 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

23 **CLERK:** Councilman Jim DeWitt?

24 **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:** Yea.

25 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. The motion is granted for the
2 table. Item C. under New Business (sic),
3 Ordinance Number 4-2022, Atlantic Beach
4 Concealed Weapons Festival Ordinance, and this
5 will be the second reading. Council, seek a
6 motion to adopt Ordinance Number 4-2022, the
7 second reading.

8 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved, Mr. Mayor.

9 **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:** Second.

10 **MAYOR EVANS:** Motion is -- motion and a second to
11 adopt Ordinance Number 4-2022. If there are no
12 other questions or comments, roll call.

13 **CLERK:** Councilman Edward Campbell?

14 **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:** Yea.

15 **CLERK:** Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?

16 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** Yea.

17 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

18 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

19 **CLERK:** Councilman Jim DeWitt?

20 **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:** Yea.

21 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

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

23 **New Business:**

24 **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to New Business, and Item
25 A. under New Business, Resolution Number 1-



1 **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:** Yea.

2 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

3 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. The motion's granted. We're
4 down to Item B. under New Business, the Town
5 Manager's requested approval from Town Council
6 awarding a contract to ESI for the preparation
7 of the RAISE Grant Funding application.

8 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor, Council and public, first
9 of all, I would like to get your permission,
10 Mayor, to combine my Manager's Report on the
11 RAISE Grant application with this
12 recommendation for approval of the grant
13 funding consultant to prepare the application.
14 First and foremost, Mayor, let me just state
15 for the record, KHAFRA, the engineering firm
16 approved by Council in the fall, working with
17 residents Denise Gibson, Linda Cheatham, have
18 done an outstanding job of positioning the Town
19 to apply for these grant funds. They have been
20 working tirelessly around the clock, she's
21 working with me on the weekends, Saturdays and
22 Sundays, to get prepared to apply for these
23 funds. Let me just read in terms of a report
24 giving Council and the public an update on the
25 activities of KHAFRA and the team of



1 individuals that have been working so
2 diligently. Our relationship with KHAFRA
3 Engineering continues to allow the Town to
4 aggressively review, evaluate and submit
5 applications for proposals for infrastructure
6 funding opportunities. As I shared in March,
7 with KHAFRA engineering and design support,
8 number one, an application was -- has been
9 submitted telling the full history presentation
10 (inaudible) with the National Historic Trust
11 and Historic Preservation ---

12 (Inaudible background noise.)

13 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: --- and create historic beach ---

14 (Inaudible background noise.)

15 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Can you all mute your all's
16 phones? Can you all mute your all's phones,
17 please? Thank you.

18 FEMALE SPEAKER: I mean I can look it up. I just --
19 I'll let you know.

20 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: More news is expected this month
21 on that Historic Preservation Grant award.
22 FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant was completed and
23 submitted. Award news is expected in mid ---

24 (Inaudible background noise.)

25 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: --- in partnership with the Horry



1 County Planning ---

2 (Inaudible background noise.)

3 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** --- was submitted to the Natural
4 Park Service to fund a historic survey of
5 Atlantic Beach and, if appropriate, application
6 for National Historic Registry. Since our
7 March meeting, the Town has submitted requests
8 with detailed engineering information for
9 infrastructure funding from Horry County
10 planning team and from the State of South
11 Carolina House of Representatives. KHAFRA team
12 is in the final stages of preparing a response
13 to the Department of Transportation 2022 RAISE
14 Discretionary Grant Program, also known as
15 Rebuilding American Infrastructure
16 Sustainability Equity Grant Discretionary
17 Program, that's the acronym for RAISE. This
18 grant opportunity offers communities like
19 Atlantic Beach a unique opportunity to update
20 their transportation infrastructure with an eye
21 to the future. The grant merit -- evaluation
22 system focused not only on roads and bridges,
23 but also emphasizes sustainability, equity and
24 resiliency. The design being presented to the
25 Department of Transportation includes



1 improvements along Highway 17, 30th Avenue and
2 to South Ocean Boulevard. Improvements
3 proposed include updates to the roadways,
4 sideways -- sidewalks, parking, and including
5 installing electric vehicle parking stations at
6 part of the paid parking grid being designed.
7 New walking paths, beach access points, bike
8 lanes will be installed along South Ocean
9 Boulevard, 30th Avenue South. The current
10 walking paths between North Myrtle Beach, the
11 Town at both the north and south ends, will be
12 made safer for pedestrians. The due date for
13 submission of this grant application, RAISE
14 Grant application, is April the 14th. As I
15 shared last month, in addition to extensive
16 engineering data, KHAFRA has developed an
17 extensive cost benefit analysis as required for
18 successful submission of the Department of
19 Transportation RAISE Grant. This analysis is
20 not a service offered by KHAFRA. Your approval
21 last month for me to research a company to do
22 this work resulted in the team being contacted
23 with -- by the following companies, these are
24 the companies that submitted a response to a
25 request to prepare the RAISE Grant formal



1 application to be submitted: Tara Dixon
2 Research Analyst Group, Columbia, South
3 Carolina ---

4 (Inaudible background noise.)

5 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** --- not do the grant due to her
6 workload. Heather Maloney, Alta Planning and
7 Design, Charlotte, North Carolina served as the
8 (inaudible) for the Spartanburg, South Carolina
9 successful application. The cost of this type
10 support ranges from \$15,000 to \$25,000. They
11 did not have the capacity to take on us for
12 this site, they had already determined their
13 client list for spring 2022 RAISE Grant cycle.
14 Peter Angelis DIS referred by Alta Planning and
15 Design has a proven track record of winning
16 RAISE Grants. We have only engaged them to
17 complete the cost benefit analysis. The
18 (inaudible) proposal, engineering and pricing
19 is being completed by KHAFRA and the Town
20 support team. The team has identified ESI
21 Consulting from Philadelphia to complete this
22 analysis. ESI has successful experience with
23 the RAISE bid by partnering with the developing
24 cost benefit analysis with successful
25 municipalities like Southern Pennsylvania;



1 Monks County, Pennsylvania; Wilmington,
2 Delaware; Riverfront transportation and
3 infrastructure projects in 2021 award cycle.
4 The RAISE Grant is due April the 14th, 2022.
5 My request is that the Council authorize to
6 engage ESI Consulting at a fee not to exceed
7 the fee of \$15,000 to develop cost benefit
8 analysis for the Department of Transportation
9 RAISE Discretionary Grant application for
10 Atlantic Beach. Any questions in regards to a
11 request for approval?

12 **MAYOR EVANS:** Council? No questions for request for
13 approval? Okay, Council, seek a motion to give
14 the Town Manager approval to award a contract
15 to ESI for preparation of the RAISE Grant.

16 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved.

17 **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:** Second.

18 **MAYOR EVANS:** Motion and a second. Any questions or
19 comments? If not, roll call.

20 **CLERK:** Councilman Edward Campbell?

21 **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:** Yea.

22 **CLERK:** Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?

23 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** Yea.

24 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

25 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.



1 **CLERK:** Councilman Jim DeWitt?

2 **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:** Yea.

3 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

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

5 **Manager's Report:**

6 **MAYOR EVANS:** And we're down to the Manager's
7 Report. Was that it, Ben? You've got some
8 other stuff to report here?

9 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Yes. Mayor, Council and public,
10 an update on Bike Fest. We have seen a strong
11 response and registration over the first
12 several weeks for Bike Fest, more than usual.
13 Paid -- the registrations and commitments to
14 property owners to lease their property during
15 Bike Fest is very encouraging at this point.
16 The deadline for registration without any
17 penalty was March the 31st. After that, a \$100
18 late fee will be assessed to all registrants
19 after that time. But we have seen an uptick
20 and -- of registration as well as interest in
21 participating in Bike Fest 2022. On April the
22 13th, Chief Robinson will be hosting, as we do
23 every year, the police -- two meetings, one,
24 he'll be hosting all of the chiefs of police in
25 the county for meeting and also our annual



1 meeting in preparation for Bike Fest 2022 to go
2 over logistics, deployment and all of the
3 factors that are necessary to provide security
4 for that date. We are looking at the bids.
5 Proposal has been out for cleanup. It is due
6 April 7th ---

7 **FEMALE SPEAKER:** 6th.

8 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** 6th?

9 **FEMALE SPEAKER:** Uh-huh.

10 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** April 6th, the response is due for
11 ---

12 **FEMALE SPEAKER:** At 4:00 p.m. -- at 2:00 p.m.

13 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** --- 2:00 p.m. on the 6th,
14 proposals are due for cleanup. We're assessing
15 our costs for all of the administrative
16 overhead, lighting to port-o-johns and making
17 commitments and assessments to do that. I want
18 to encourage all residents and property owners
19 who plan to lease their property, if they need
20 to utilize any electrical power poles, to have
21 their information submitted for inspection by a
22 building inspector or an electrician and also
23 have your paperwork in to Santee Cooper ---

24 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Santee Cooper.

25 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** --- yeah, prior to. We don't want



1 residents to wait 'til the week of Bike Fest to
2 do so. We ran into -- two years ago, Santee
3 Cooper refusing to come out during that week
4 so, if anyone requires and has a power pole
5 that needs to be activated, it needs to be
6 inspected, approved, prior to utilization so I
7 encourage you to do that as quickly as you can.
8 Any other residents who are interested in
9 leasing their property, please share that
10 information with Cheryl so she can put it
11 online for potential vendors that are still
12 calling and looking for vendor spots to operate
13 during Memorial Day weekend. Also, next week
14 is the cleanup campaign week, I think a flyer's
15 gone out, Beautification Committee initiating a
16 cleanup campaign for the week. There will be
17 three dumpsters placed in the town, one on this
18 side of town and two on the east side of town
19 for household items only, no yard debris or
20 things of that nature, just household items to
21 be dispensed in those dumpsters for the week,
22 it'll run from Monday to Monday?

23 **MS. BOOKER:** Yes.

24 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Monday to Monday. Mayor, that's
25 all I have. Any questions?



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** Any questions, Council?

2 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** I've got one question, and this
3 is for the Chief. Chief, this year, will they
4 be doing the -- last year -- not -- well, last
5 year we had -- we went around the street at the
6 end of the night -- and I've been to a lot of
7 festivals, all over the country, I have never
8 seen nobody get rid of the people off the beach
9 like they were actually animals. Those
10 policemen were behind the people as they were
11 leaving off of the beach and they were not able
12 to turn around, didn't -- everybody was -- the
13 police cars, like they were just being put out
14 of there like animals and stuff. I don't think
15 that was right, I honestly don't, because we
16 should be able to tell our vendors that we're
17 shutting down at a certain time and they start
18 doing like that and then maybe how they used to
19 do it, the police just go by and tell all the
20 vendors, and they might even say something on
21 the horn that the Town will be closing down at
22 so-and-so time. I don't think that was done
23 right, how -- I don't think -- it was like --
24 they may have well been on horses and stuff
25 behind those people how they were doing, we're



1 hitting them with whips, that's how it appeared
2 to me so therefore, I just think we don't have
3 to -- I don't think we have to (inaudible) them
4 like that, I've never seen it like that before.

5 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** On that, we try -- I'm just
6 gonna be frank for a moment (ph). We try to be
7 gentle with people and tell them that the
8 Town's shutting down, they don't listen. They
9 refuse to go. So -- but we don't put our hands
10 on nobody. The -- most of the time we have the
11 Highway Patrol and DNR with their 4-wheelers,
12 they'll be behind, just to make sure
13 everybody's still going the same way.
14 Everybody'll still be respectful to everybody.
15 Since I've took over, I think we've been at one
16 arrest throughout the whole Bike Week Fest so
17 -- for the most part, everybody respects us
18 when we -- when they hear -- but at 2:00
19 o'clock, we tell the vendors and they shut down
20 at 2:00 o'clock.

21 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Well, it's 3:00 o'clock.

22 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Yeah, I mean I know this
23 year, I'm talking about the past. We tell them
24 at 2:00 o'clock. 2:10, we walk past them, we
25 go back, they're still selling food, they're



1 letting people circle back around and serve the
2 food. So, all this stuff we're paying for,
3 there's more manpower with that the Town's
4 gonna be paying for because the officers are
5 still out because now we've got to circle back
6 around and make sure everybody leaves on time.
7 I would love for vendors to shut down at the
8 time and move forward, but in reality it don't
9 work that way. You have to -- we don't push --
10 put our hands on nobody, but you have to almost
11 kinda push people in a polite way and say, hey,
12 you've got to keep moving, and that's what we
13 do. We don't -- we don't spray nobody, we
14 don't yell at nobody, but we do push them, we
15 -- when people see blue lights and stuff, they
16 move a whole lot faster than if somebody says
17 hey, sir, the Town is closing down. We all
18 know it don't work that simple. Now, when you
19 see blue lights behind you, your antenna goes
20 up a little bit more and you say, well hey,
21 they're for real, they want to shut down. The
22 guys that've been coming here been coming here
23 for plenty of years, all officers, so we've
24 never really had a problem here ---

25 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yeah, we ---



1 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** --- I hate that it seems
2 that way, but, from being inside, it's frankly
3 not that way, but you have to -- if we sit back
4 until they move, we'll still be out there at
5 6:00 o'clock, trying to wait for everybody to
6 leave.

7 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** But I -- apparently, it's not a
8 problem with nobody else so I'm gonna let it
9 die. It's just to me, for the record, I think
10 it's wrong but I'm gonna let it die since
11 nobody else don't have a problem with it so
12 therefore, carry on.

13 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Also, while I'm up here, I
14 know our festival lasted three -- for anybody
15 that gets an alcohol license, you have to stop
16 selling at 2:00 p. -- 2:00 a.m., that is state
17 law, can't sell past 2:00. I know that our
18 festival went from 2:00 to 3:00 this year ---

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

20 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** --- but alcohol sales have
21 to stop at 2:00, and SLED will be enforcing
22 that. And if any of you -- anybody's got
23 vendors that's on their property, let them know
24 because that fine is like \$1,500, the first
25 time, it's not ---



1 (Inaudible background noise.)

2 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** --- it's 15 then the second
3 time, I think it's like \$3,000. It doubles
4 each time so I know nobody wants to get that
5 kinda fine.

6 **MAYOR EVANS:** Chief, let me ask you this 'cause I
7 heard you say that the Town shuts down, but the
8 Town doesn't actually shut down.

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

10 **MAYOR EVANS:** We still have -- and I asked you that
11 in the form of a question because what do we do
12 if after that hour some people choose to go to
13 Thee DollHouse or one of these businesses over
14 here, and then you've got Off The Hoof down the
15 street, they're a business that operates anyway
16 so after -- and I understand what you're
17 saying, when you say the Town closes down, you
18 mean the vendors have to shut down at that
19 particular time ---

20 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Well ---

21 **MAYOR EVANS:** --- but if people want to attend
22 another business in the Town of Atlantic Beach,
23 how does that work?

24 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Since I took over and before
25 I came here, when the festival ended, they've



1 always been on that side of the highway. On
2 the other side -- on the beach (inaudible) that
3 side always shuts down, even Off The Hook, they
4 always shut down at 2:00. I don't -- and I
5 know a lot of people say, well, if it wasn't
6 right, why do you keep doing it? It's just
7 something that's always been and ---

8 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** That don't mean it's right
9 though ---

10 **MAYOR EVANS:** And I'm sure that question's still out
11 there 'cause I mean I guess I'm asking the
12 question because if they're a business before
13 Bike weekend, like if they're wanting to open
14 this weekend and on the Bike weekend, so if
15 they're not having to close at 3:00 o'clock any
16 other weekend ---

17 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yeah ---

18 **MAYOR EVANS:** --- and I'm just putting that out, not
19 to put you on the spot, just to ask the
20 question ---

21 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** We're just asking the question,
22 yeah.

23 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Yeah, I mean, we shut down
24 Off The Hook the same time ---

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



1 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** --- but -- on this side,
2 Pearl's, DollHouse, they still'll be going
3 after we shut down that side.

4 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** I've got a question to that now.
5 Now, that hasn't been -- they had a permanent
6 license. I don't know what's going on right
7 now, but just say there -- another (inaudible)
8 was down there, they had a business. Now, you
9 know that we couldn't do that (inaudible). If
10 I was the owner of that place down there and I
11 had a permanent business license, I would
12 challenge the Town because that wouldn't be --
13 you can't shut me down just because it's
14 Memorial weekend and I've got vendors around me
15 and you're gonna shut them down so therefore
16 I've got to shut down. I don't think that's
17 right, I would challenge that myself.

18 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Well, to be honest, that's
19 something me and the Town Manager talked about
20 before we ever got close to this Bike Week,
21 that was right after I think 2019, we started
22 talking about this coming up, the issue coming
23 up.

24 **MAYOR EVANS:** And I'm just ---

25 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Here's what we do, working



1 it that way, I'm not saying that it's right,
2 but if it's working ---

3 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Right.

4 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** --- and if it's keeping us
5 from having problems in the Town during Bike
6 Week. Bike Week in Atlantic Beach is one of
7 the most safest places ---

8 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** He's exactly right.

9 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** --- to be honest, we only --
10 we didn't have but two arrests throughout the
11 whole weekend. That's two people that get
12 arrested the whole weekend ---

13 **MAYOR EVANS:** I throw that out there because when we
14 get asked that question, I want us to have the
15 correct answer.

16 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** That's something that I
17 guess me and the Town Manager are gonna have to
18 sit down ---

19 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay.

20 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** --- and kinda talk about --
21 I don't want to say the wrong thing, but I do
22 understand when people do ask that question.

23 **MAYOR EVANS:** Right.

24 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** But one of the things that -
25 - if we don't allow -- if we don't shut down



1 that side, our expenses are gonna go --
2 skyrocket because now -- you're already working
3 -- you've got guys working 12 hour -- during
4 Bike Week, I work 20 hours a week ---

5 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** That comes with Chief.

6 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** --- but I probably get four
7 hours of sleep. So now, we don't shut 'em
8 down, you're talking about I'm probably gonna
9 lose the other four hours that I'm not getting
10 to sleep ---

11 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** You talking about each night,
12 Quentin?

13 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Each night.

14 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** But Chief, look, but that
15 shouldn't be a problem that you really have to
16 go through because see once these permits are
17 issued, we should be telling the vendors right
18 then that there is a must, that you must be
19 shut down at so-and-so time then when you --
20 through the Town Administration could take and
21 put a late time on their (inaudible), charge
22 them more money or something like that. I
23 wouldn't go through it like that, I think the
24 Administration could handle that better.

25 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Well, I mean -- well, I --



1 it's on that -- I guess you all would have to
2 vote on to put it in that packet, I don't know,
3 you're probably too late because we're right
4 around the corner, but that's something that in
5 the near future, we're probably gonna have to
6 because right now, we don't have nothing on the
7 books that we can fine them for still operating
8 a couple hours later, I mean a couple minutes.
9 Every minute that they stay open, it pushes
10 everybody else later and later and later. But
11 we -- that wasn't the reason we have the
12 meeting next week, we're always here to try to
13 find out new ways, me and the Town Manager,
14 we're talking about new ways, but the business
15 thing came up, somebody brought that up to me.
16 For the most part, Off The Hook -- knock on
17 wood -- never had a problem with shutting down
18 so far, but I know they had concerns about why
19 they shut down and DollHouse and Pearl
20 (inaudible), I do understand that. But I've
21 been trying to do what's best for the Town at
22 the time.

23 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yeah, but the smartest one --
24 the smartest person in the world -- not that --
25 you don't have to be smartest in the world,



1 somebody will challenge you and they'll -- I'm
2 not saying that, you know, but I don't think
3 it's right because it just seems to me that the
4 -- they're always right and we're always the
5 ones that got to shut down, they're all -- they
6 was born right, and we -- why, you know, so
7 therefore, I understand your point too, but I'm
8 just saying out there if -- for whoever's ears
9 is listening, they think they've always got to
10 be right so therefore ---

11 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** The -- Pearl's also will be
12 open on this side, too, Pearl and Thee
13 DollHouse also so that -- one of the businesses
14 that's already on this side that stays open,
15 they'll still be open on this side so it's just
16 more on the ocean side where most of the event
17 takes place 'cause we don't really have per se
18 events on this side, but now when we leave that
19 side, law enforcement do come on this side, and
20 we walk the parking lots, we (inaudible) their
21 vehicles, we try to stay around as much as we
22 can 'til they shut down on this side.

23 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

24 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** --- stuff that goes on on
25 that weekend.



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** So normal hours for Thee DollHouse and
2 those businesses on this street, the close up
3 at what time, normal business hours?

4 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

5 **MAYOR EVANS:** Stop selling alcohol at what time?

6 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** At 2:00.

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** At 2:00?

8 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Now, I know Thee DollHouse
9 does have a ---

10 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

11 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** --- only one that I know
12 that's got (inaudible).

13 **MAYOR EVANS:** So, what the big thing is, why we're
14 discussing this, is the fact that if you're on
15 the other side of town during Bike Weekend, and
16 we close the vendors down, that side of
17 (inaudible) just closed up, they come over here
18 and they patronize the businesses on this side
19 of the street, give them their business after
20 that time. So is that fair for them to be run
21 off of a particular business and allowed to go
22 at another business, being that it's in
23 Atlantic Beach? And I mean those are the
24 questions of things that we have to deal with
25 and come up with correct answers to answer



1 these people for. That's all it is and I'm ---

2 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** I wish I had the right

3 answer for every question you all had ---

4 **MAYOR EVANS:** Right. Right.

5 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** --- I mean they're good

6 questions. Like I said, me and Town Manager

7 should try to put our heads together ---

8 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

9 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** --- there were some

10 questions that were asked after 2019. But at

11 the same time, DollHouse and Pearl don't open

12 until about 12:00 or 1:00. So a lot of people

13 that leave from here, they come over on this

14 side and keep partying so ...

15 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** But it's still a little like --

16 and I'm not, like I said, I don't got nothing

17 down there, I'm not challenging that, but at

18 the same time, it still looks to me like it's

19 pick and choose because for the simple reason,

20 if I've got a business over here that I could

21 keep my business open 'til 4:00 o'clock

22 normally and Pearl's and Thee DollHouse can

23 keep theirs open 'til 4:00 o'clock normally

24 too, but we've got a special event coming and

25 I'm gonna miss a whole hour and they get to



1 stay open, and I'm gonna miss say about -- the
2 numbers that they calculate within the hours
3 are not like \$500 an hour, they're calculating
4 that maybe their club could be \$20,000 to
5 \$25,000 that went out. So I'm saying that I
6 would be kinda careful, I wouldn't -- I don't
7 have nothing to do with it, I don't know, I'm
8 just asking a question because that could be a
9 challenging so therefore, I -- maybe our
10 attorney needs to tell us whether or not if
11 something's putting something permanently down
12 there, that we could do that, 'cause there is
13 a business down there. Brenda's sister has a
14 business down there, that's a bar down there.
15 Now, me, myself, personally -- and I'm just
16 telling you all, I'm the government but I'm
17 telling you all I would sue the crap outta me
18 if they -- if I made me miss me \$25,000, I
19 would challenge that and so therefore, I think
20 we need to check that 'cause I don't think
21 that's fair. Like I said, if you're right,
22 you're right, bottom line, and that's what it
23 seems like and that's what it looks like and,
24 if you ask me, that's what it's like, and I
25 don't think it's fair. We spend money too.



1 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** I can't speak on that.

2 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Well, that's what I'm saying, I
3 don't think that -- I don't think that you all
4 need to make that call to shut it down like
5 that because it could come back -- and like I
6 said, it might not, they might not see it like
7 that, but me, myself, I would see it like that
8 'cause that's not fair.

9 **MAYOR EVANS:** Well, let's move on, that's something
10 we'll work on, Chief, and, Ben, just so we can
11 have that -- so we'll have that question
12 answered so we -- if they don't want to ---

13 **UNKNOWN SPEAKER:** And they have comment cards and
14 they said all their ---

15 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

16 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Do we have comment cards? We
17 don't have any comment cards for nothing but
18 two people, right?

19 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yeah, uh-huh.

20 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** And we're just hearing somebody
21 on here telling us what they was doing with
22 something, I don't know what ...

23 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yeah.

24 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yeah.

25 **Public Time:**



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay, we're down to Public Time. Ms.
2 Patricia Mallet?

3 **MS. MALLET:** Good afternoon, Council ---

4 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** Good afternoon.

5 **MS. MALLET:** --- and Councilwomen. I would like to
6 (inaudible) -- my question is I just want to
7 know, can you explain to me about 29th Avenue,
8 what that -- it's like the place where they put
9 the chairs and stuff out for the beach access,
10 why that thing's out there on 29th Avenue on
11 the oceanfront, is that, you know, is that
12 approved out ...

13 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

14 **MS. MALLET:** It's like, you know, where you put the
15 -- your chairs out, the beachfront people ---

16 **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:** Watersports?

17 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** Watersport. Watersports store?

18 **MS. MALLET:** Yeah, I don't know if it's Watersports,
19 whoever it is, but somebody had -- has that out
20 on 29th Avenue ---

21 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** The umbrella thing, the chairs
22 and umbrellas.

23 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** Yeah.

24 **MS. MALLET:** So, is that approved by the Council to
25 do that?



1 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Not that I'm aware of, I'll check
2 into it.

3 **MS. MALLET:** Okay.

4 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Yes.

5 **MS. MALLET:** And is there any way -- the -- I
6 couldn't hardly hear the report from the -- for
7 the thing we just had, and I would like to
8 know, is it a public thing we could look at it,
9 read it at City Hall, the thing you just read
10 out about the grants and stuff?

11 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** (Inaudible)?

12 **MS. MALLET:** Yes, sir.

13 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Yes.

14 **MS. MALLET:** Okay.

15 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** We'll post -- once it's finalized
16 and turned back, we'll publicize it ---

17 **MS. MALLET:** Okay. So, I'm talking about when you
18 read off just now ---

19 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Yes.

20 **MS. MALLET:** --- so we can read that and see what --

21 -

22 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Oh, okay. I post it.

23 **MS. MALLET:** 'Cause I couldn't -- I couldn't ---

24 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Okay.

25 **MS. MALLET:** --- maybe other people couldn't hear it



1 too.

2 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** I'll send you a direct copy but
3 we'll post it ---

4 **MS. MALLET:** I appreciate that, thank you, sir.

5 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** All right.

6 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you. Ms. Rosa Stanley.

7 **MS. STANLEY:** Sorry, I'm late. My name is Rosa
8 Stanley. I live at 1004 29th Avenue South,
9 Atlantic Beach, North Myrtle Beach. I am here
10 tonight concerning about Paul Curry. He's
11 harassing everybody he can harass, now he's
12 trying to harass the church. He wanted to know
13 if (inaudible) he could come to me (inaudible).
14 I'm trying to find out (inaudible) gonna be the
15 master over Atlantic Beach, we've got to go to
16 him before we can do anything on Atlantic
17 Beach? He don't -- I don't hear nothing about
18 Ocean Drive and North Myrtle Beach, or wherever
19 he's at, I mean, you go up there to that
20 station, the first thing you say, oh, I know
21 who you're talking about, he's everywhere. But
22 if we have to get the (inaudible) and somebody
23 down here to find out what's going on with this
24 man because time has -- is running kinda
25 (inaudible) goes down there by my house and



1 turns around, and that's a public road, which
2 is good, but sometimes you don't know whether
3 you're gonna ---

4 (Inaudible background noise.)

5 **MS. STANLEY:** --- I don't bother him, I have a
6 (inaudible) on the beach. He comes and tells
7 'em -- telling people where to park, how to
8 park and got -- he's got -- you all can't put
9 a rope up there and I got a letter -- I didn't
10 get letter, he had it on the thing, it says he
11 had delivered this (inaudible) that he sent to
12 his -- to (inaudible) to the church. I'm a
13 part of the church, you could bring it to me.
14 But I am -- I mean he -- everybody's talking
15 about him, but that's ---

16 (Inaudible background noise.)

17 **MS. STANLEY:** --- something needs to be done about
18 this man because nobody -- he's not gonna --
19 let him come on Atlantic Beach and wherever and
20 harass people on Atlantic Beach, he don't live
21 down here, what is his purpose for being down?
22 Let me know that then I can understand why he's
23 running behind people, taking pictures and you
24 can't go up there -- when you go up there --
25 where you go, he's got the scaffolding sitting



1 up there, saying -- he gets out of the car,
2 walking up and down the street, taking
3 pictures. What is he looking for? If he could
4 tell us what he's looking for, maybe we can
5 help him. Because if you've (inaudible) me,
6 you come to me, you know where I stay 'cause
7 you've done took pictures, you've done drove
8 around there and see where everybody stays,
9 trying to tend to everybody's business, okay,
10 everybody -- and another thing I wanted to say,
11 since this happened, the church has been broke
12 in, somebody (inaudible) the church, and see,
13 all these kinda things ---

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

15 **MS. STANLEY:** --- all the things that happen, and
16 not just stuff that's been happening, but this
17 man here, I don't know what his problem is, but
18 if you have a problem with me, you come to me,
19 (inaudible) and (inaudible) car and we
20 (inaudible) people how much we (inaudible)
21 people and I'm gonna give money to the church.
22 You don't what I (inaudible) you didn't come to
23 me asking what I -- what I'm doing. You want
24 to know what I'm doing, come to me. He's going
25 to the IR&S or R&S, somewhere. Come to me.



1 (Inaudible) R&S, I don't have to tell what I'm
2 doing, what I made, what I make a day, what I'm
3 doing where. All right, all I can say is keep
4 ---

5 (Inaudible background noise.)

6 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Thank you, Ms. Rosa.

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** Any other ---

8 (Inaudible background noise.)

9 **MAYOR EVANS:** Well, I don't have any more comment
10 cards ---

11 **MS. STANLEY:** The Town was supposed to be looking
12 into some of this stuff that he's doing
13 (inaudible), you know, (inaudible) need to
14 take, I mean, just like I get ready to go --
15 then I get ready to park, he comes by taking
16 pictures (inaudible) goes back and comes back
17 (inaudible), he don't tell the people that's
18 parking what to do, if he's gonna -- he's gonna
19 tell us where -- he don't tell me nothing
20 'cause I know (inaudible) I think he's got no
21 (inaudible) but still, I want see what -- know
22 what it is about him that he's got so much
23 interest in Atlantic Beach. They've got a
24 North Myrtle Beach, they've got Little River
25 and all that ---



1 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Amen.

2 **MS. STANLEY:** --- Myrtle Beach and all that, why you
3 ain't got -- mess with those people? What's
4 Atlantic Beach done to you that -- for you to
5 do this to us? I know I ain't done nothing to
6 him, but that don't mean nothing. I think we
7 need to look into that and stop that. I'm
8 going to take some action myself and what I'm
9 doing. We've got this girl's name up here ---

10 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Does she work -- that woman
11 works -- tells us that she needs to go and see
12 -- take it to Jimmy Richardson and see what he
13 might be able to help her out or whatever,
14 because now he's slandering her name because
15 that woman don't be involved in anything like
16 that ---

17 **MS. STANLEY:** Right.

18 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** --- yeah, she's -- yeah.

19 **MS. STANLEY:** (Inaudible.)

20 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Over at the Solicitor's Office.
21 It's right there -- go to right there -- and
22 he's right there.

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

24 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Just about this situation, that's
25 just for ---



1 (Inaudible background noise.)

2 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: I don't know ---

3 (Inaudible background noise.)

4 MAYOR EVANS: Come to the podium, Chief.

5 (Inaudible background noise.)

6 POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON: There's two different things.

7 The police work the criminal side; any civil
8 actions, lawsuits (inaudible) Town or residents
9 feel like any individual's doing, that don't
10 come (inaudible) law, we only work the criminal
11 side. So if he's harassing you, there's a way
12 that we can get involved, but you have to
13 document it, come and report it to the law
14 enforcement, it has to be documented when --
15 twice within 30 days then you can go get a
16 restraining order, and that's the law.

17 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: That's the law?

18 MS. STANLEY: (Inaudible.)

19 POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON: Now, if anybody in the town
20 feels like he is harassing the Town, now you're
21 looking at a civil. Law enforcement doesn't
22 handle civil cases. We handle criminal aspects
23 of the law.

24 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: That's scary. That's scary. Do
25 you know how many people right now that the



1 government has given permission to get a CWP,
2 that is scary because now people provoke people
3 into doing things. A dog even won't let you do
4 nothing but keep hitting but so far and then
5 what are they gonna do, they're going to shoot
6 -- they're (inaudible) guns around here now,
7 I'm telling you and for real, that man has just
8 taken it -- somebody called me the other night,
9 and I know this right here -- I shouldn't be
10 talking about this right here, this right here
11 on my personal time, they called me up, I'm
12 gonna tell you all, but anyway, and called me
13 and said that he was bothering them. You know,
14 I mean, that person -- I said no, you don't
15 have to do nothing, but they was letting me
16 know they carry too so therefore what I'm
17 saying here, you're running your stuff up a
18 tree, a squirrel.

19 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Well, if anybody -- I'll
20 tell you right now, if you've got that CWP,
21 make sure you listen to her, just because you
22 -- you're carrying a gun on your side, there's
23 a lot laws that go along with it so ---

24 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** When you're traveling down a
25 dark road, this person said they was out the



1 other night -- well, not the other night, it's
2 been a couple weeks ago, they said, and said
3 that they was harassing them and not on this
4 beach, though, over on the other beach, and
5 traveling behind them or whatever, and I said,
6 no, no, no -- no, no, no, don't do that,
7 (inaudible) I was trying to talk 'em out of it,
8 I did so ... Yeah.

9 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** All I can tell you is to
10 follow the law. Just follow the law. I mean
11 that's all, I mean, like I say, anything civil
12 (inaudible) but anything criminal, we can take
13 it. But like I tell anybody, if somebody's
14 harassing you, come and put it on paper, just
15 telling somebody is not gonna get it done, you
16 can't just tell a Council member or the Town
17 Manager or me, if it's not on paper, we don't
18 have that so you've gotta put it on paper.

19 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Well, good luck with that, this
20 has been going on for 20-some years so good
21 luck with that.

22 **MS. STANLEY:** (Inaudible.) He said he went and
23 called County -- he went and called County and
24 County -- two County cars come up there and
25 said that somebody said that we ain't got no



1 business on that lot ---

2 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** And it isn't his.

3 **MS. STANLEY:** --- he said Paul Curry. What's he
4 gonna tell somebody what business they've got
5 on a lot? Okay, he don't know what my business
6 is, he don't know how I operate or what I am
7 operating, so you're gonna go out there and put
8 things up, there will be some stuff on paper
9 (inaudible). I will ---

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

11 **MS. STANLEY:** (Inaudible.)

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

13 **MS. STANLEY:** --- 'cause see that girl, she don't
14 even -- she don't even want no (inaudible)
15 she's just being ---

16 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Uh-huh. Start suing ---

17 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

18 **MS. STANLEY:** --- (inaudible) trying to get some
19 stuff, you all to do something or another ---

20 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

21 **MS. STANLEY:** --- I mean I couldn't say what these
22 papers ---

23 **POLICE CHIEF ROBINSON:** Any other ---

24 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thanks, Chief. I don't think we have

25 ---



1 (Inaudible background noise.)

2 **MR. SKETERS:** Since Mr. Curry is here, I think it
3 would be fair if we give him a chance to
4 respond ---

5 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** No. We don't care what he's got
6 to say. We're in a Town meeting. No, them
7 people called in. We don't want to hear what
8 he's got to say, no, sir.

9 (Inaudible background noise.)

10 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** --- he harasses people in this
11 town.

12 **MR. SKETERS:** I understand what everybody's saying -
13 --

14 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** And he didn't ask to say
15 nothing.

16 **MAYOR EVANS:** All right, we're getting a little out
17 of order here, now, guys. Hold on one second.
18 We don't have any more public comment cards?

19 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** No, huh-uh.

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

21 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** So moved, Mayor.

22 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Second.

23 **MAYOR EVANS:** Motion and a second for adjourn. Roll
24 call.

25 **CLERK:** Councilman Edward Campbell?



1 COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL: Yea.

2 CLERK: Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?

3 MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Yea.

4 CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

5 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yea.

6 CLERK: Councilman Jim DeWitt?

7 COUNCILMAN DeWITT: Yea.

8 CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans?

9 MAYOR EVANS: Yea. Meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

10 (There being nothing further, the meeting was
11 adjourned.)

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