

# **TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

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**Monday, October 3, 2022**

**4:30 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 3rd day of October, 2022, and transcribed by Amanda Godfrey, Court Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of South Carolina.



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**APPEARANCES**

**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, October the 3rd, year 2022  
4 at 4:30 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?

10 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Here.

11 **CLERK:** Councilman Jim DeWitt?

12 **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:** Here.

13 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

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

17 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

18 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Second.

19 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second to go  
20 into Executive Session. Any other questions or  
21 comments? 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: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

2 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yea.

3 CLERK: Councilman Jim DeWitt?

4 COUNCILMAN DeWITT: Yea.

5 CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans?

6 MAYOR EVANS: Yea. Motion granted.

7 Executive Session:

8 (Executive Session.)

9 MAYOR EVANS: Council, I seek a motion to come out  
10 of the Executive Session into the General  
11 Session please.

12 MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Mayor, I seek a motion to leave  
13 -- to come out of Executive Session into the  
14 General Session.

15 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Second.

16 MAYOR EVANS: There's a motion and a second on the  
17 floor to come out of Executive Session into the  
18 General Session. If there are no other  
19 questions or comments, 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 is granted.

5 **General Session:**

6 **MAYOR EVANS:** I want to take this time to welcome  
7 the general public and ask at this time if you  
8 have any cell phones or any devices that might  
9 disturb the proceedings, that you'll silence  
10 those for us at this time please. And, if you  
11 would, stand for a moment of silence.

12 **(Moment of Silence.)**

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

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

15 **MAYOR EVANS:** Ceremonial matters, Council members?  
16 None? Okay, we're down to the approval of the  
17 agenda and I think what we want to do is amend  
18 under the Manager's Report the Christmas  
19 Decoration Committee, that should read Events  
20 and Festival Committee, okay? And with that  
21 amendment, I seek a motion for the approval of  
22 the agenda.

23 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** So moved.

24 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Second.

25 **MAYOR EVANS:** Motion and a second on the floor for



1 the approval of the agenda. If there's no more  
2 questions or comments, roll call.

3 **CLERK:** Councilman Edward Campbell?

4 **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:** Yea.

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

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

7 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

8 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

9 **CLERK:** Councilman Jim DeWitt?

10 **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:** Yea.

11 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

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

13 **Old Business:**

14 **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to Old Business, Town  
15 Council meeting minutes, minutes for Town  
16 Council meeting held on August 1st, 2022.  
17 Council, seek a motion for the approval of  
18 those minutes.

19 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved.

20 **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:** Second.

21 **MAYOR EVANS:** There is a motion and a second on the  
22 floor for the approval of the August 1st, 2022  
23 minutes. If there are no other questions or  
24 comments, roll 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. The motion is granted.

10 New Business:

11 MAYOR EVANS: We're down to New Business, Item A.,  
12 Resolution Number 2-2022, Amendment to  
13 Resolution Number 3-2015, and this is a  
14 resolution granting banking authorization to  
15 municipal officers and employees. Council,  
16 seek a motion to adopt Resolution Number 2-  
17 2022.

18 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: So moved.

19 MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Second.

20 MAYOR EVANS: Motion and a second to adopt  
21 Resolution Number 2-2022 on the floor. Any  
22 other questions or comments?

23 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: Mayor, this is a resolution to  
24 grant signing authority on signing all bank  
25 accounts for the Town of Atlantic Beach, we



1 added -- along with -- in addition to yourself,  
2 we added me as the Town Manager.

3 **MAYOR EVANS:** Any questions, Council members? Roll  
4 call.

5 **CLERK:** Councilman Edward Campbell?

6 **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:** Yea.

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

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

9 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

10 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

11 **CLERK:** Councilman Jim DeWitt?

12 **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:** Yea.

13 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

14 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. The motion's granted. We're  
15 down to Item B. under New Business, and this is  
16 a proposed land lease agreement for the  
17 development of 717 31st Avenue South in  
18 Atlantic Beach. Mr. Eric Wellens?

19 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor and Council and public, Mr.  
20 Wellens is here before us this evening to make  
21 a proposal for the lease, land lease, for the  
22 property, former Housing Authority property of  
23 717 31st Avenue South in Atlantic Beach, for a  
24 development of the -- apartments and commercial  
25 space at that location. Mr. Wellens is





1 revised, and we've agreed to the changes and  
2 the key is, you know, hopefully to spark others  
3 to come, right? So, my idea is, first, to give  
4 the Town first choice, right? So, if they need  
5 administrative offices, Councilmen offices, if  
6 -- I've been pushing hard -- Ben, can share  
7 with you -- I've been trying to get a museum  
8 brought in here. We would have space available  
9 for that, and it would be offered at, you know,  
10 submarket rate which I'm sure this would -- Mr.  
11 Quattlebaum about it. The land -- the key to  
12 it is the land remains the Town's, that's the  
13 way HUD required and that's the way it would  
14 be, we would just be putting a structure on it.  
15 At the conclusion of the lease, the building  
16 was agreed it would be donated to the Town.  
17 Officially, the summary, I'm looking to get  
18 commercial operations in here that we don't  
19 have yet so a doctor's office, a physical  
20 therapist's office, a dentist's office, a  
21 lawyer's office, some professional offices like  
22 that -- what I'd really love to bring in is a  
23 healthy food option. I'm a plant-based type  
24 eater so I'd love to bring in a restaurant that  
25 would do something along those lines. I've



1 already had -- excuse me -- I've already had  
2 many conversations with interested parties but  
3 I can't go into details with that until final  
4 approval is done. So, they're all lined up  
5 just waiting for me to say it's good to go,  
6 there's a lot of interest and I think it would  
7 really be the spark that might really help, you  
8 know, sort of the curb appeal going down 17,  
9 something new and fresh to spark others around  
10 it to do some development. I'm open to any  
11 questions you might have. I shared with Ben  
12 some estimates on possible revenues to the  
13 Town, there's multiple levels of -- type of  
14 revenue that would come in from, you know,  
15 business license taxes, some of the businesses,  
16 the renter taxes, we even have things like  
17 hospitality taxes, personal property taxes that  
18 the businesses have, all of the taxes would be,  
19 you know, in accordance to the Town Ordinance.

20 **MAYOR EVANS:** I -- what I'm ---

21 **MALE SPEAKER:** We can't hear what you're saying.

22 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

23 **MAYOR EVANS:** Well, probably what we want to do here  
24 is give you a chance to maybe authorize some --  
25 I mean negotiate some of the revenue



1 projections if we could do that. What do you  
2 guys think?

3 (Inaudible background noise.)

4 **MAYOR EVANS:** Well, let me do this, Council,  
5 authorize the Town Manager to negotiate with  
6 Eric Wellens on some of the revenue  
7 projections, how does that sound?

8 (Inaudible background noise.)

9 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay, I seek a motion to authorize the  
10 Town Manager to negotiate with Eric Wellens on  
11 the development projections.

12 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** So moved.

13 **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:** Second.

14 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second on the  
15 floor to authorize the Town Manager to  
16 negotiate ---

17 (Inaudible background noise.)

18 **FEMALE SPEAKER:** --- because we have a questions.

19 **MAYOR EVANS:** Well, you're -- he'll be back, it's  
20 not the last time you'll see it. All right, so  
21 the ---

22 (Inaudible background noise.)

23 **FEMALE SPEAKER:** --- to go too far.

24 **MAYOR EVANS:** Well, you have to -- hold on a minute,  
25 we're kind of in the middle of a motion here,



1           guys.

2   **CLERK:**    Councilman Edward Campbell?

3   **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:**    Nay.

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

5   **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:**    Yea.

6   **CLERK:**    Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

7   **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:**    Nay, not at this time.

8   **CLERK:**    Councilman Jim DeWitt?

9   **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:**    Yea.

10   **CLERK:**    Mayor Jake Evans?

11   **MAYOR EVANS:**    Yea.    The motion's granted.    Thank  
12           you, sir.

13   **MR. WELLENS:**    Thank you.

14                    **(Inaudible background noise.)**

15   **MAYOR EVANS:**    Well -- he's going to come back, you  
16           all can ask him all the questions you all want  
17           to ask him ---

18                    **(Inaudible background noise.)**

19   **MR. DAVID:**    --- we're here now so we can ask the  
20           questions now since we have the questions here.

21   **MAYOR EVANS:**    Well, it's not in order of the way the  
22           meeting's going right now ---

23   **MR. DAVID:**    Well, that's ---

24   **MAYOR EVANS:**    --- he's here to see us right now,  
25           he's coming back to talk to you guys.



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(Inaudible background noise.)

**MAYOR EVANS:** No, you're in the middle of a meeting

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(Inaudible background noise.)

**MAYOR EVANS:** Order, sir. Order.

**MR. DAVID:** I said what point in time can we ---

**MAYOR EVANS:** Order, sir. You have to be recognized to speak now. Okay, we're down to Item C., Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments Technical Assistance Agreement. Council, I seek a motion for the Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments Technical Assistance Agreement. Seek a motion, Council.

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

**MAYOR EVANS:** Need a second.

(Inaudible background noise.)

**MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second for the Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments Technical Assistance Agreement. There's a motion and a second. Any questions or comments? Ben?

**MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor, Council and public, this was a proposed agreement with Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments to provide technical assistance on planning and zoning matters. The



1 Town has for several years entered into a  
2 technical assistance agreement with the  
3 Waccamaw COG to provide planning and zoning  
4 technical assistance to the Town of Atlantic  
5 Beach, and those scope of services will involve  
6 in terms of providing TA to our Planning and  
7 Board of Zoning Appeals, as well as, review of  
8 development plans and proposals for the Town of  
9 Atlantic Beach. The contract amount is \$20,000  
10 running to June 30th, 2023 and will be billed  
11 at an hourly rate of \$120 per hour until that  
12 is exhausted. If we exceed that amount, they  
13 will bill us on a quarterly basis at \$120 an  
14 hour. I'm recommending -- our former Planning  
15 Representative, Carol Coleman, left the  
16 Waccamaw COG about three to four weeks ago and  
17 the COG has hired a replacement for her in that  
18 capacity that will be our liaison and the  
19 technical assistant provided to the Town of  
20 Atlantic Beach. Her name is Leigh Kane and she  
21 just started working for the COG on last  
22 Monday. So, I'm seeking the Council to approve  
23 this agreement to have continuity of services  
24 from the COG.

25 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So, is this the contract for



1           like Carol Coleman and whomever it is that's  
2           come on to take her place, is this what this  
3           is?

4       **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:**   Yes.

5       **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:**   Oh, okay.

6       **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:**   This person replaced -- well, it's  
7           with the COG, she is the representative, Leigh  
8           Kane replaced Carol Coleman ---

9       **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:**   Right.

10      **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:**   --- and will be providing the same  
11           technical services ---

12      **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:**   Right, this the -- okay.

13      **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:**   Yes.

14      **MAYOR EVANS:**   Okay, Cheryl, roll call. I think the  
15           motion is ---

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's granted.   We're



1 down to D. under New Business, Annual Horry  
2 County Black Pearl Humanities Festival proposal  
3 for August of 2023, Ms. Doreen Smith.

4 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Yeah, Mayor, let me ---

5 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay.

6 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** --- before Ms. Smith comes  
7 forward, Council had approved in 2022 for this  
8 event to take place in August, the details of  
9 which proposal you have, had to be canceled  
10 this year. Ms. Smith will speak to that and  
11 request that we -- to hold the event in August  
12 of 2023. Ms. Smith?

13 **MS. SMITH:** Good evening, everyone.

14 **IN UNISON:** Good evening.

15 **MS. SMITH:** I also -- I want to say good evening to  
16 the community as well. Let me start by saying  
17 for one, I did cancel the festival for 2022, I  
18 was in the hospital with -- they said about  
19 every symptom you can have for COVID -- and I  
20 thought it was best to keep everyone safe, not  
21 have it and hopefully have it granted for next  
22 year. Secondly, I want to continue along by  
23 saying that everything that I do -- and I speak  
24 to the community -- I do for the community. A  
25 lot of you don't know me, you probably have



1 never seen me before, some of you have, some of  
2 you and I have talked before. I was an  
3 executive producer here over 35 years ago,  
4 writing stories on Atlantic Beach and the  
5 surrounding areas. I was one of the producers  
6 that actually used to cover --- but that's in  
7 a biblical term -- cover Atlantic Beach when  
8 producers wanted to write other stories, I  
9 wanted to cover you and not show you in the  
10 light that other producers wanted to display  
11 Atlantic Beach. The festival in 2021 was, from  
12 my feedback, extremely successful, a lot of  
13 people enjoyed it, they understood the mission  
14 behind it. Melba Moore was here and others,  
15 she got up on a stage and she made an  
16 announcement that it was necessary for the  
17 community to come together. I did not know at  
18 the time that she was gonna call me up on stage  
19 at the same time (inaudible) I didn't know that  
20 she was gonna call me up on stage with her to  
21 make that plea to the community to work  
22 together. So everything I do, I do with  
23 community in mind. This year's festival, or  
24 2023, we sent out announcements to every HBCU  
25 in the United States, along with vocational



1 universities, career programs. The surprising  
2 thing and the delightful thing was that on  
3 August 19th, there were universities on  
4 Atlantic Beach, ready to give the youth here  
5 opportunities, that's all we were trying to do  
6 was to give opportunities to the youth that  
7 were here, and it doesn't necessarily mean  
8 youth as in, you know, 16, 17, 18, I feel older  
9 people also want to graduate and go to college  
10 as well. I did one of my last graduate  
11 programs at 50. So, you always want to learn,  
12 you always want to grow and that's what that  
13 was about. I want to highlight that I first  
14 came to Atlantic Beach and wanted to give you  
15 all the resources that I had available under my  
16 umbrella working at United Nations, that was  
17 not able to happen and so we opened a school  
18 like two blocks up the street whereas I wanted  
19 to give that money to you, but I'm now giving  
20 it to someone else, where I wanted to hand it  
21 to you. We have a shelter, that money is going  
22 somewhere else outside the community, once  
23 again, I wanted to give that to what I consider  
24 my community so -- but we do have a school,  
25 we've hired 13 apprentices that have come on



1 board. I pay them out of my own pocket so if  
2 I can't do it in one way, I'll get it done in  
3 another so if I have to hire and bring them in  
4 and pay them myself, that's what I'll do. So  
5 we've hired 13 apprentices here in the county,  
6 outside of the county, but they all look like  
7 you and I so (inaudible). But -- so what I  
8 also wanted to note was that the universities  
9 -- if I went and I appealed to 50 to 60  
10 universities, if I was able to have maybe four  
11 to five to six universities come in to the  
12 festival to bring college opportunities and  
13 career opportunities to the youth in this  
14 county, if I -- if I had four or five that said  
15 yes, I was happy. I made a plea to 20 to 30,  
16 but the fact that two or three still came here  
17 even with the festival canceled, Council, they  
18 still came which meant that they supported --  
19 they support the festival, they want to come  
20 here, they want to give opportunities to the  
21 youth here, they want to give career  
22 opportunities to the youth here, they left bags  
23 full of memorabilia for me to give to the  
24 community here because they're ready for next  
25 year's festival. It was nice that the ones



1           that did come, it was nice that they came  
2           because they had a chance to the see the area  
3           where the festival would be so that was good  
4           and then we had a chance to talk one on one.  
5           I think that's about all that I have. I did  
6           want to note that the times from the schools  
7           participating, from the vendors that might be  
8           here, Mr. Quattlebaum and the City had an  
9           approval to have just a designated amount of  
10          vendors, it was like three or four but it  
11          wasn't many, and then the schools, a percentage  
12          of that was going to the City of Atlantic  
13          Beach. There was memorabilia that was  
14          developed and designed, I paid for those  
15          designs so that we could give a percentage of  
16          that back to the City as well. That's all I  
17          have.

18       **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you. Council, I seek a motion  
19          to allow Doreen Smith -- the proposal for  
20          Doreen Smith for the Annual Horry County Black  
21          Pearl Humanities Festival.

22       **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved.

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

24       **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second on the  
25          floor for the Black Pearl Humanities Festival



1 proposal. Any other questions or comments?

2 Roll call.

3 **CLERK:** Councilman Edward Campbell?

4 **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:** Yea.

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

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

7 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

8 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

9 **CLERK:** Councilman Jim DeWitt?

10 **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:** Yea.

11 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

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

13 (Inaudible background noise.)

14 **Manager's Report:**

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

16 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor, Council and public, I'd  
17 like to begin with the -- an updated,  
18 abbreviated -- with Historical and maybe update  
19 October 2022 grant report. Over the last  
20 several months, I, along with Volunteer Evans,  
21 have reviewed and responded to three categories  
22 of grant funding to move the Town's initiative  
23 forward. These funding categories are the  
24 historical grant opportunities, Atlantic Beach  
25 has been awarded three different historical



1 grants: Economic development opportunities, in  
2 August, a grant request submission was made to  
3 -- with the Santee Cooper Rural Economic  
4 Development Fund and economic development work.  
5 Three infrastructure improvement and updating  
6 and grant opportunities during August,  
7 submission was made to Horry County, American  
8 Rescue Plan Act Community Development Block  
9 Grant for infrastructure improvements, work  
10 that we're also informed that Atlantic Beach  
11 did not -- one of the projects funded under the  
12 Department of Transportation RAISE Grant, we  
13 did not receive the funding that we applied for  
14 under the RAISE Grant. Tonight's report will  
15 highlight the work on three of the historical  
16 grants awarded to the Town. Historical grants,  
17 Atlantic Beach has been awarded three  
18 historical grants this year. Historical grant  
19 award number one, Telling the Full Story  
20 awarded in March 2022 by the National Historic  
21 Trust and the last oral harvest will be held on  
22 Telling the Full Story Grant Team is in the  
23 second quarter of the first one-year  
24 performance period. This quarter, the team  
25 will be in person in this community center here



1 on October the 22nd from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00  
2 p.m., contact Patricia Mallett, Rosa Rucker for  
3 details on how you can participate. And these  
4 are interviews that the committee has been  
5 holding with residents of the Town to capture  
6 the history and documents, some of the history  
7 of the Town through firsthand recollection of  
8 residents and other community people who have  
9 resided in the Town of Atlantic Beach. Number  
10 two, historical grant award two,  
11 Underrepresented Communities Grant awarded in  
12 April of 2022. Horry County on behalf of  
13 Atlantic Beach by the National Park Service,  
14 due to contractual issues within Horry County,  
15 the town survey has been postponed, you will be  
16 updated once the survey date has been set.  
17 Historical grant number three, Broadening the  
18 Narrative Grant awarded July 22nd by the  
19 Dorothy Gaylord Donnelley Foundation. The  
20 Broadening of the Narrative Grant is a planning  
21 grant, funds from this grant are designed for  
22 planning, collection and display of the  
23 historical artifacts of the Town of Atlantic  
24 Beach. The Town received the full payment of  
25 \$50,000 for this grant last month and with the



1 help of the Donnelley Foundation, a request for  
2 proposal to complete the work is being  
3 prepared. And just one last note in terms of  
4 that, those who have not noticed, through the  
5 help and support of residents of the Town and  
6 staff, we've updated our website and I would  
7 like to express my thanks to those residents in  
8 the community, Ms. Gibson Bailey, Ms. Cheatham  
9 and our staff who endeavored to provide  
10 information to upgrade our website in the Town.  
11 And I'll give my final report before I make --  
12 give way to Mr. McIver. The Chamber of  
13 Commerce granted through the county through the  
14 Myrtle Beach Chamber of Commerce, granted  
15 \$10,000 to the Town of Atlantic Beach for  
16 events advertisement and festivals and any  
17 events that the Town deemed necessary to  
18 utilize those funds for. This is the first  
19 time since my administration that Myrtle Beach  
20 and the Chamber of Commerce has offered support  
21 for our events, primarily BikeFest, but can be  
22 utilized for other planning events that the  
23 Town deems necessary. So I would like to thank  
24 them on behalf of the Council and the residents  
25 for that grant award of \$10,000. At this time,



1 I'll have Mr. McIver come forth with two  
2 reports, a presentation, one, the  
3 Beautification Committee and all the Events and  
4 Festival Committee proposal.

5 **MR. McIVER:** Good afternoon.

6 **IN UNISON:** Good afternoon ---

7 **MR. McIVER:** I'll just start off actually with the  
8 Events Committee. There's -- I had talked to  
9 Mr. Q. about establishing an Events/Festival  
10 Committee and -- to do holiday decorations, to  
11 do traditional, non-traditional events, Gullah  
12 Geechee programs and things like that. So, it  
13 sounds like you have some seed money for that  
14 committee. I'm not sure, I think that'll be a  
15 regular committee that the Council sponsors,  
16 just like the Beautification Committee, so  
17 there will be a sign up in Town Hall for that  
18 committee if you're interested in serving on  
19 the Festival/Event Committee. We were asked as  
20 the Beautification Committee to help with  
21 Christmas decorations and we plant trees, we  
22 plant flowers, we don't do that.

23 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Can I just say one thing? You  
24 know what comes along with beautification,  
25 right? Cleaning. I see the beautification



1 going on but I don't see the -- I mean I don't  
2 know if the Beautification Committee that  
3 should be doing the cleaning but I mean it's  
4 like backwards to me, I just don't see how  
5 we're cleaning and nobody has cleaned anything  
6 for months but we're, I mean, I'm just saying  
7 -- I'm not trying to speak up on nothing, you  
8 all can carry on, I'm just saying it's  
9 backwards to me. And you all are doing a good  
10 job in the Beautification Committee but whoever  
11 the cleaning team is is not doing it, and it's  
12 going (inaudible) the dirt.

13 **MR. McIVER:** We did provide a (inaudible) to Town  
14 Council, it's -- I did want to also mention  
15 that I did update all the minutes, I know you  
16 asked for that for a while so you all have our  
17 minutes that we've reduced. We also have a  
18 scope of what we actually have voted on or what  
19 we kind of work on. Firstly, I do clean, I  
20 have no problems doing that. We had a beach  
21 sweep the -- about three weeks ago and we  
22 actually cleaned up in the dunes actually not  
23 the beach that you would usually see but  
24 actually in the dunes, and I was out there for  
25 four hours cleaning the dunes so I don't mind



1           doing that, sometimes actually physically  
2           cleaning -- but we do support the maintenance  
3           as we can. A couple things I wanted to mention  
4           that will be talked about a little bit later is  
5           we've taken a recycling initiative, that'll be  
6           coming out. We have someone from the Solid  
7           Waste Authority that's gonna make a  
8           presentation at our next Council meeting  
9           talking about recycling so that's -- we have  
10          adopted it as a program of ours. Santee light,  
11          the lights, we're changing some of the amber  
12          lights to LED, that was one of our early  
13          projects, I think that's under way. Mr. Q., is  
14          that correct? I think that project is underway  
15          so that was one of our early projects that  
16          we've taken over, and that seems to be going  
17          well and ... And we also received a \$5,000  
18          grant that we -- the Committee hasn't fully  
19          developed what we're gonna do with that, but  
20          that is on the way as well. Mr. Q., that's my  
21          report.

22       **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you.

23       **Public Time:**

24       **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to Public Time. I've got a  
25          few comments cards here. Vera Drumgoole?



1       **MS. DRUMGOOLE:**   Yes.

2       **MAYOR EVANS:**   You can step to the podium and state  
3                   your name for the record please.

4       **MS. DRUMGOOLE:**   Hello.   Gonna keep my mask on.   Good  
5                   evening, Mr. Mayor ---

6       **MAYOR EVANS:**   Good evening.

7       **MS. DRUMGOOLE:**   --- Council members, community and  
8                   residents and visitors, good evening to all of  
9                   you.   My name is Vera Drumgoole.   I have a few  
10                  concerns as a resident of the Town of Atlantic  
11                  Beach, one being if someone wanted to -- could  
12                  explain to the residents how will the storm  
13                  debris be removed because (inaudible) number  
14                  two, when the tree fell near my house, they cut  
15                  the tree and they placed the tree right in  
16                  front of the fire hydrant, that's a hazard.   I  
17                  called about it but still it's not being  
18                  removed, and I understand that people are --  
19                  there's other debris in the area but, to me,  
20                  that should be a priority, and what I was told  
21                  by the public works, that once the (inaudible)  
22                  company gives the information because they cut  
23                  down the tree, that it's on a list, that's my  
24                  first concern.   My second concern is the  
25                  completion of the road work that the Town of



1 Atlantic Beach did. Now, I have issues in  
2 regards to that because once they created the  
3 new pavement, they created a gap between the  
4 new pavement and -- it's an easement, which is  
5 the right-of-way, which is causing damage to my  
6 car and there's also a few Town members who are  
7 disabled who have to walk in that area in order  
8 to get back and forth to their property, not --  
9 I spoke to Mr. Quattlebaum in regards to this  
10 and I also spoke to someone within the City of  
11 Conway, I'm waiting to hear back from that, but  
12 I would like the Council to understand me, as  
13 a resident, and I'm pretty sure I'm not the  
14 only one concerned in regard to the way they  
15 created a -- in my opinion, a mess of a roadway  
16 which it should've been improved but it wasn't.  
17 My third concern in (inaudible) is about the  
18 speeds, the speeding on 32nd Avenue.  
19 Apparently, no one sees that mileage sign at  
20 the corner of 17 because it is old, you can't  
21 -- it's not -- the paint that's coming off of  
22 it and apparently there's somebody's -- to me,  
23 somebody's gonna be walking out there in the  
24 street like they do in the old days and  
25 somebody's gonna be hit by a car -- excuse me



1 -- hit by a car and it's gonna be very damaging  
2 to Atlantic Beach so somebody really needs to  
3 take care of that. Those are my concerns.  
4 Thank you, Council.

5 **IN UNISON:** Thank you.

6 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** Laura Winston-Tuggles. Hello, state  
8 your name for the record please.

9 **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:** Good evening, everyone.

10 **IN UNISON:** Good evening.

11 **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:** My question was primarily on  
12 planning. I own the lot on 712 30th Avenue and  
13 I've studied the ordinance, and the challenge  
14 that I have is parking. According to the  
15 ordinance, it's commercial on the bottom,  
16 residential on the top. I know like the Town  
17 has parcels available and I was just wondering  
18 if some of those parcels can be used for  
19 parking.

20 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** What are you asking about, the  
21 Town's property?

22 **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:** Yeah. Just in general because  
23 going by the ordinance, it's kinda impossible  
24 to follow the ordinance and build something  
25 with commercial and residential on top, it's



1           like really challenging.       And I'm about  
2           economic development in the Town, I mean it's  
3           a pleasure to be here, and like the gentleman  
4           pointed, you know, the lot that's being leased,  
5           is there any properties that can be available  
6           for parking or just -- especially when there's  
7           growth, where are they gonna park. I know that  
8           on the left and the right of us there were some  
9           revisions and parkings were made -- public  
10          parking spaces were made available as well as  
11          brought revenue to the Town for parking so  
12          that's my question and just my proposal as  
13          well.

14       **MAYOR EVANS:**   Okay. I guess -- on 30th Avenue?

15       **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:**   Right.

16       **MAYOR EVANS:**   It's all commercial. Now ---

17       **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:**   Is that ---

18       **MAYOR EVANS:**   --- of course -- yeah, back during  
19                   those days, people were allowed to just park  
20                   anywhere they wanted to park ---

21       **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:**   Uh-huh.

22       **MAYOR EVANS:**   --- now the new ordinances we've got  
23                   out, if you purchase a lot ---

24       **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:**   Yes.

25       **MAYOR EVANS:**   --- on 31st Avenue, which is probably



1           just gonna be 50 by 150 like they all are ---

2   **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:** 50 by ---

3   **MAYOR EVANS:** Right. So by the time you put a  
4           structure on there ---

5   **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:** Okay.

6   **MAYOR EVANS:** --- there's gonna be nowhere to park  
7           on that 50 by 150 lot so if somebody's doing  
8           something commercial on that main street, it's  
9           probably gonna end up -- require more than one  
10          lot or unless, like you're saying, if you can  
11          see somebody who wants to lease their lot to  
12          you for parking or something.

13   **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:** Okay. So I would ---

14   **MAYOR EVANS:** It's my -- I mean, help me out, guys.

15   **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** That's basically the way it is now  
16          unless the zoning or the ordinance is changed  
17          in terms of the parking -- well, the parking  
18          requirement now, based on the zoning, you're  
19          absolutely right, it does restrict ---

20   **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:** Exactly.

21   **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** --- on what you can develop ---

22   **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:** Exactly.

23   **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** --- on the lots there. I don't  
24          know the immediate solution because you may  
25          have property owners on both sides of you ---



1 **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:** Right, uh-huh.

2 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** --- and your issue is then where  
3 are you gonna develop a commercial property ---

4 **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:** That's correct, that's correct.

5 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** --- where would you park? It's a  
6 real issue ---

7 **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:** It is.

8 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** --- the Mayor is only responding  
9 to at this point based on the current zoning  
10 ordinance, you would have to acquire additional  
11 land to -- in order to build.

12 **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:** But that's not possible ---

13 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** I agree with you, I'm just telling  
14 you what is, it's an issue that Council would  
15 want to address (inaudible) but that's a long-  
16 term issue ---

17 **MS. WINSTON-TUGGLES:** I just heard that a parking --  
18 as far as the leasing out properties like to  
19 the -- a private entity, if there's a way that  
20 we could put our parking lot somewhere near  
21 30th Avenue because if there's growth near --  
22 because you have to be within 300 feet, parking  
23 within 300 feet, just something to consider,  
24 because if we have economic development, you're  
25 gonna have traffic, you're gonna have cars



1 coming through, and that's like the most  
2 challenging -- challenging not just for myself,  
3 other people as well so I just wanted to point  
4 that out and hopefully the Council can find a  
5 solution to address the parking issue that  
6 comes with economic growth. Thank you.

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you. Sheila Robinson? Is she  
8 on the phone? Sheila Robinson, you're up.  
9 Hello? She's not there. Hello, Ms. Robinson?  
10 Council, seek a motion to adjourn.

11 **MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM:** So moved.

12 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Second.

13 **MAYOR EVANS:** Motion and a second to adjourn. Roll  
14 call.

15 **CLERK:** Councilman Edward Campbell?

16 **COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL:** Yea.

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

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

19 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

20 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

21 **CLERK:** Councilman Jim DeWitt?

22 **COUNCILMAN DeWITT:** Yea.

23 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

24 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. Motion granted. Meeting is  
25 adjourned at (inaudible).



1           (There being nothing further, the meeting was  
2 adjourned.)  
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