

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

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**Monday, October 1, 2018**

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 1st day of October, 2018, 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  
Mayor pro tem Kenneth McLaurin  
Councilman Lenearl Evans  
Councilwoman Josephine Isom  
Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore

**ADMINISTRATION:**

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

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1 Call to Order:

2 **MAYOR EVANS:** This Town Council meeting is called to  
3 order this Monday, October 1st, the year 2018,  
4 at 6:00 -- I'm sorry, 5:00 p.m. Roll call?

5 **CLERK:** Mayor pro tem Kenneth McLaurin?

6 **MAYOR PRO TEM McLAURIN:** Here.

7 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

8 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Here.

9 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

10 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Here.

11 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

12 (No response.)

13 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

14 **MAYOR EVANS:** Here.

15 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor and Council, Councilwoman  
16 Gore called and said she would not be able to  
17 make it back in time. She's out of town and on  
18 her way trying to get here. But, I don't think  
19 she'll make it.

20 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you. Council, I seek a motion  
21 to go into Executive Session for legal and  
22 personnel matters.

23 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** So moved.

24 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Second.

25 **MAYOR EVANS:** Motion and a second to go into



1 Executive Session for legal and personnel  
 2 matters. Any other questions or comments?  
 3 Roll call?

4 **CLERK:** Mayor pro tem Kenneth McLaurin?

5 **MAYOR PRO TEM McLAURIN:** Yea.

6 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

7 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yea.

8 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

9 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

10 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

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

12 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor and council, for the record,  
 13 the legal items to discuss are law suit. A  
 14 status update law suit of Timothy Taylor. And  
 15 legal matters involving Paul Curry.

16 **Executive Session:**

17 **(Executive Session.)**

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

20 **MAYOR PRO TEM McLAURIN:** So moved.

21 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Second

22 **MAYOR EVANS:** Motion and a second to come out of  
 23 Executive into the General Session. Any other  
 24 questions or comments? If not, roll call?

25 **CLERK:** Mayor pro tem Kenneth McLaurin?



1     **MAYOR PRO TEM McLAURIN:**   Yea.

2     **CLERK:**    Councilman Lenearl Evans?

3     **COUNCILMAN EVANS:**   Yea.

4     **CLERK:**    Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

5     **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:**   Yea.

6     **CLERK:**    Mayor Jake Evans?

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

8     **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:**   Yea.

9     **General Session:**

10    **MAYOR EVANS:**    I want to take this time out to  
11           welcome the general public.   And ask at this  
12           time, if you have any cell phones or pagers, or  
13           any devices that might disturb the proceedings  
14           that you would turn those off or silence those  
15           for us, please, at this time.   And if you  
16           would, at this time, stand for a moment of  
17           silence please.

18                           **(Moment of Silence.)**

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

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

21    **MAYOR EVANS:**    It's down to Ceremonial Council  
22           Members.   Any Ceremonial Matters?   If not,  
23           Council I seek a motion for the Approval of the  
24           Agenda as it is outlined?

25    **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:**   So moved.



1 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Second.

2 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** (Inaudible)

3 **Approval of Agenda:**

4 **MAYOR EVANS:** Motion and a second for the approval  
5 of the agenda. Any other questions or  
6 comments? Roll Call?

7 **CLERK:** Mayor pro tem Kenneth McLaurin?

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

9 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

10 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yea.

11 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

12 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

13 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

14 **Old Business:**

15 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. Motion granted. We're down to  
16 Old Business, resolution number 3-2018. The  
17 Black Pearl Hometown Reunion for October 27th.

18 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor and Council, I am  
19 recommending that this year's Black Pearl  
20 Hometown Reunion be suspended for this year.  
21 Due to the fact that the hurricane, Florence  
22 has eaten up a number of weeks of preparation.  
23 We began preparation for it prior to the  
24 hurricane hitting in September. And it does  
25 not allow us administratively enough time to



1 put together the event for October the 27th.  
2 I'm recommending, Council that we suspend it  
3 for this year.

4 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay, Council. I need the motion and  
5 a second for the suspension of resolution  
6 number 3-2018.

7 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** So moved.

8 **MAYOR PRO TEM McLAURIN:** Second.

9 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second for the  
10 suspension of resolution 3-2018. Any other  
11 questions or comments? Roll Call?

12 **CLERK:** Mayor pro tem Kenneth McLaurin?

13 **MAYOR PRO TEM McLAURIN:** Yea.

14 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

15 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yea.

16 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

17 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

18 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

19 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. Motion granted. We're down to  
20 B, under Old Business. Ordinance Number 4-2018  
21 (sic). And this is the second reading. The  
22 amendment to Ordinance 4-2017. The Ordinance  
23 establishing and adopting the operational  
24 procedures for the 2019 Atlantic Beach Memorial  
25 Day Black Pearl Cultural Heritage and Bike



1 Festival. Council, I think we were going to  
2 amend that Ordinance where it deletes the  
3 actual dates. And just reads that the festival  
4 is from Monday through Friday of Memorial Day  
5 Weekend.

6 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Friday to Monday.

7 **MAYOR EVANS:** Friday to Monday, I'm sorry. Memorial  
8 Day Weekend. Is that the only other amendment  
9 that we want to ...

10 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** I think that was it.

11 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay. Okay, Council, I seek a motion  
12 to adopt resolution number 4-2018 (sic) and  
13 this is the second reading with the amendment.

14 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** So moved.

15 **MAYOR PRO TEM McLAURIN:** Second.

16 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay. Motion and a second to adopt  
17 Ordinance number 4-2018 with the amendment to  
18 the Black Pearl Cultural Heritage and Bike  
19 Festival. Any other questions or comments?  
20 Roll call?

21 **CLERK:** Mayor pro tem Kenneth McLaurin?

22 **MAYOR PRO TEM McLAURIN:** Yea.

23 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

24 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yea.

25 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?



1 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

2 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

3 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. Motion granted. And this was  
4 the second reading. We have no New Business.  
5 So, Ben, your report.

6 **Report:**

7 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor and Council, and residents,  
8 public, I would like to provide an update on  
9 the aftermath clean up after hurricane  
10 Florence. As I hope most residents are aware,  
11 initially we had a dumpster placed on 30th  
12 Avenue for residents to bring yard debris to  
13 that location. And I have engaged a contractor  
14 to start the pickup of curbside debris removal,  
15 starting this Thursday. Formal notice will be  
16 sent out to all residents. If you can get the  
17 word out to the community for residents to have  
18 their yard debris only -- tree limbs, trees and  
19 any other yard debris created by the hurricane.  
20 To have it curbside no later than this  
21 Thursday. Contractors will pick up that yard  
22 debris on Thursday, October the 4th. Any  
23 questions, Council?

24 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Is is is that going to give them  
25 the notices probably by tomorrow? But, is that



1           going to give them enough time to really get  
2           that stuff ---

3           **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Most most of -- I've toured the  
4           town. Most of the residents have already put  
5           their debris curbside. The major challenge we  
6           have are absentee property owners and them  
7           being away and not being about to get their  
8           prop- -- their debris to the curbside by  
9           Thursday. Many of them, in our past experience  
10          with hurricane Matthew, did not have adequate  
11          time to get down and have their debris brought  
12          curbside. I'm also considering -- this will be  
13          the first initial pass through by the  
14          contractor -- at a later date I'm looking at  
15          another pass through to give those property  
16          owners additional time to get their debris  
17          curbside.

18          **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay. If you all could pass the word  
19          to any of the residents that you know.  
20          Absentee property owners, if they could  
21          possibly. It would be very helpful and  
22          beneficial and effective and efficient to try  
23          to get it out by the 4th. All of you may be  
24          aware that during the hurricane and during  
25          heavy rains, that we've been experiencing



1 backup flooding on 30th Avenue at the cul-de-  
2 sac. I've had the state DOT as well as the  
3 County out to survey the problems and issues at  
4 that location. They had crews out prior to the  
5 hurricane to try to unstop or cl- -- they  
6 clogged the drain system. Long story short the  
7 crews could not -- form the County -- could not  
8 unstop it at that time. They're scheduled to  
9 come back. They had some issues with getting  
10 back here due to flooding based on where their  
11 equipment is housed out in Conway and could not  
12 get back. I'm looking to schedule another  
13 date, hopefully before the end of this week or  
14 early next week for the county crews to come  
15 back out to address the problem. The long term  
16 problem is that the outfall pipes from the  
17 dunes to the ocean needs to be repaired.  
18 They're scheduled to be done at the same time,  
19 I think this winter. When North Myrtle Beach  
20 had them servicing of their systems also.  
21 Outfall systems. So, that is the situation.  
22 It seems that any time we have a heavy rain,  
23 that it backs up. We've been making the effort  
24 to have it pumped out as much as possible.  
25 But, in order for the county to get their



1 machines in the water table has to be down for  
2 them to have their machinery to operate. Any  
3 questions by Council on that?

4 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Not about that. But, I wanted it  
5 get -- what was Santee Cooper's response to you  
6 about the the streetlights that were out?

7 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** I reported the streetlights out  
8 and they indicated to me that they will be  
9 addressed. But asked us to have patience, due  
10 to the storm that was about a week ago. I'll  
11 follow up. Are they still out, Mayor?

12 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yes. Uh-huh.

13 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** They told me it would take them  
14 some time based on their priority calls of  
15 outages. But, I'll follow up with them.

16 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay.

17 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** But, it has been reported. At  
18 this time I had a meeting earlier, on Friday as  
19 well as today with a business owner -- Ms.  
20 Glenda Williams who would like to make a  
21 presentation to Council on an activity for our  
22 youth for Halloween. I would like to open the  
23 floor for her to come forward.

24 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Good evening, Council ---

25 **MAYOR EVANS:** Good evening.



1 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- Mayor, good evening. I would  
2 like to propose having an Atlantic Beach  
3 Community Halloween Fest for Halloween. In an  
4 effort to provide the families of Atlantic  
5 Beach in community and surrounding areas if  
6 necessary for them to attend happy -- a safe  
7 and happy Halloween by having it -- proposing  
8 to having an event here, in collaboration with  
9 our local police department force. And I am  
10 proposing the following: 1, having the the of  
11 course the name of the event, Atlantic Beach  
12 Community Halloween Fest. The date: October  
13 31st, 2018, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Of  
14 course the located here at Atlantic Beach  
15 Community Center. 1010 32nd Avenue, South,  
16 Atlantic Beach, South Carolina 29582 ---

17 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

18 **MS. WILLIAMS:** --- is this 1010? What's the address  
19 here?

20 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** 1010.

21 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay.

22 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** But the date is the 21st?

23 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** 31st.

24 **MS. WILLIAMS:** 31st.

25 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Oh. 31st. Okay.



1 **MS. WILLIAMS:** October 31st.

2 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Okay. All right.

3 **MS. WILLIAMS:** From 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

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

5 **MS. WILLIAMS:** And I am also proposing to engage all  
6 ages to do perhaps a fest costume contest in a  
7 children category and an adult category. Also,  
8 my -- with a cash prize for first and second  
9 place. And then the only thing I'm asking for  
10 the Atlantic Beach to participate in, being  
11 that we're in collaboration with the police  
12 department for any kind of sponsorship. For  
13 one, the facility here, utilizing the community  
14 center, of course. And then also for security.  
15 Any and everything else will be provided by of  
16 course, by my business and a couple other  
17 business owners that I've already spoken with.  
18 And I'm not for certain if Chief, on behalf of  
19 the police department has sponsorship as well.  
20 But, that's what we propose in efforts to have  
21 a safe and happy Halloween. Also, we have DJ  
22 IM. Which usually DJ's at Ms. Brenda's place.  
23 Who's already agreed to render musical service  
24 for that night. Anything that would be brought  
25 in -- be it lights, I guess we could get



1 approval of what we can bring in for the  
2 children -- be it lights to at least enhance  
3 the place to make it look more so Halloweenish  
4 (ph). What for Halloween Fest. That's my  
5 proposal. Again, we're not asking for anything  
6 from the town monetary wise we're only asking  
7 to propose in kind sponsorship. Which is the  
8 building here. And of course be that we  
9 collaborate with the Atlantic Beach police  
10 department as to have security on that  
11 particular night. That's my proposal. So, am  
12 I waiting on a yea ---

13 (Laughter.)

14 **MS. WILLIAMS:** (Inaudible) --- I'm just getting some  
15 nods, but --

16 **MAYOR EVANS:** What is -- what do we need to do to  
17 accept her proposal, Ben? Do we need to have  
18 a motion? Or is that ---

19 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Just have a word with the manager  
20 ---

21 **MAYOR EVANS:** She just has something -- she's  
22 going to work with the town through you all?

23 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Just authorization to move forward.

24 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** You have mine, yeah.

25 **(Multiple Yea's heard.)**



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay. You have four Yea's, so you're  
2 good.

3 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Okay. Yes. And and again, like I  
4 said I spoke with other business owners and --  
5 Brenda, Ms. Brenda Dese, here. She -- we spoke  
6 earlier today. Her and her husband had some  
7 business going on as well. Because she's a new  
8 business here as well.

9 **MAYOR EVANS:** Right.

10 **MS. WILLIAMS:** So, again we're just -- the  
11 businesses are collaborating to incorporate  
12 with the officers that's doing a great job on  
13 their behalf and what we see visually. And  
14 what they're doing. So, we just want to  
15 collaborate with them and do some certain  
16 things for the community. So, we're moving  
17 forward.

18 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay.

19 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Okay.

20 **MAYOR EVANS:** Thank you.

21 **MS. WILLIAMS:** Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Any questions?

22 **MAYOR EVANS:** Anybody, any questions? Any? Any?  
23 No. Okay. You're good. Consider it done.

24 **MS. WILLIAMS:** All right. Thank you.

25 **MAYOR EVANS:** All right.



1 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor and Council, I just one  
2 other information -- if you recall back, I  
3 think, a couple of months ago -- Ms. Pat Mallet  
4 and the school district presented a proposal.  
5 A reading after school proposal to be held here  
6 at the community center. On September the  
7 18th, on a limited basis, they kicked it off  
8 with the children they could recruit, I think.  
9 They sent me some photos. They had about 9  
10 children and 9 tutors and teachers here to  
11 support them on the 18th. So, that program has  
12 kicked off. It is not at full level of  
13 recruitment, due to the storm. But they  
14 persevered and moved forward with starting the  
15 program on the 18th. And I think all accounts  
16 of success and kicking it off have been made  
17 available to them, facilities for that service.  
18 I think it's going to be once a month or every  
19 Tuesday. I'm not ---

20 **MS. MALLET:** Every Tuesday.

21 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** --- every Tuesday.

22 **COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Every Tuesday.

23 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** I think the hours are from 3 --  
24 3:30 ---

25 **MS. MALLET:** 3:00.



1 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: 3:00 p.m. ---

2 (Inaudible background noise.)

3 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: Let me check the hours, but  
4 they're going to be recruiting in the community  
5 and surrounding in terms of that. And I think  
6 it goes to about 6:30. That the program  
7 operates. So, I just want the community to be  
8 aware of that program. If you know of any  
9 school age children that want to participate,  
10 we'll have the information and pass it on to  
11 you to contact. Who to contact regarding that.  
12 That's all I have Mayor and Council.

13 MAYOR EVANS: That's it? We don't have any other  
14 Public Comments? Cheryl?

15 CLERK: No.

16 MAYOR EVANS: No?

17 CLERK: No.

18 MAYOR EVANS: Okay. Council, seek a motion to  
19 adjourn?

20 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: So moved.

21 COUNCILMAN EVANS: Second.

22 Adjournment:

23 MAYOR EVANS: Motion and a second to adjourn. Any  
24 other comments? Roll call?

25 CLERK: Mayor pro tem Kenneth McLaurin?



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**MAYOR PRO TEM McLAURIN:** Yea.

**CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

**COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yea.

**CLERK:** Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

**COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:** Yea.

**CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

**MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. Motion granted. Meeting  
adjourned at 6:20.

**(There being nothing further, the meeting adjourned  
at 6:20 p.m.)**

