

TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, November 5, 2018

5:00 p.m.

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COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mayor Jake Evans, Chairman
Mayor pro tem Kenneth McLaurin
Councilman Lenearl Evans
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, November the 5th, year 2018,
4 at 5:00 p.m. Roll call?

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

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

7 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans? Councilwoman
8 Josephine Isom? Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

9 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Here.

10 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

11 **MAYOR EVANS:** Here.

12 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor, for the record, Councilwoman
13 Isom called and said she is under the weather,
14 not feeling well, and won't be able to attend
15 this evening.

16 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay. Council, I seek a motion to go
17 into Executive Session for legal, personnel and
18 contractual matters?

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

20 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Second.

21 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and second to go into
22 Executive Session for legal, personnel and
23 contractual matters. Any other questions or
24 comments? Roll call?

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



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

2 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans? Councilwoman
3 Jacqueline Gore?

4 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

5 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

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

7 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor and Council, the legal
8 matters involve legal case with Timothy Taylor,
9 possible legal action against property owners,
10 vacant property, abandoned buildings.
11 Contractual matters are discussions around
12 awarding a contract for entertainment for Bike
13 Fest 2019.

14 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay.

15 **Executive Session:**

16 **(Executive Session.)**

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

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

20 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Second.

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

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

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



1 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

2 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yea.

3 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

4 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

5 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

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

7 **General Session:**

8 **MAYOR EVANS:** For the record, the only items
9 discussed in Executive Session were the items
10 listed on the agenda -- the legal, personnel
11 and contractual. Motion granted. I want to
12 take this time out to welcome the general
13 public. Thanks for coming out. And ask at
14 this time, if you have any pagers or cell
15 phones that may disturb the proceedings, that
16 you cut those off or put 'em silence for us
17 please. And ask at this time, if you would,
18 stand for a moment of silence.

19 **(Moment of Silence.)**

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

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

22 **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to ceremonial matters.
23 Council members, anything? Approval of Agenda?
24 Council, seek a motion for the approval of the
25 Agenda as it is outlined.



1 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** So moved.

2 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Second.

3 **MAYOR EVANS:** Motion and a second for approval of
4 the Agenda. Any other questions or comments?
5 If not, roll call?

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

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

8 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

9 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yea.

10 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

11 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

12 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

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

14 **Old Business.**

15 **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to Old Business, Town
16 Council meeting minutes for adoption. The
17 minutes from the Town Council meeting held on
18 August the 6th of this year and September 10th
19 of this year. Council, seek a motion for the
20 adoption and approval of those minutes.

21 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved.

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

23 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Wait a minute, Jake, excuse me,
24 you said September 10th?

25 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yeah ---



1 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yeah, it should be September 10th.

2 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Okay.

3 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** She corrected ours.

4 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Okay.

5 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Did I get a motion and a second?

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

7 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yes.

8 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay. There's been a motion and a
9 second to adopt the Town Council meeting
10 minutes for August the 6th and September 10th,
11 year 2018. Any other questions or comments?
12 Roll Call?

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

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

15 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

16 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yea.

17 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

18 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

19 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

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

21 **New Business:**

22 **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to New Business Town
23 Council Meeting schedule for next year for
24 2019.

25 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor and Council, we went through



1 the calender for next year to identify as --
2 then set all of the Council meetings are
3 scheduled for the first Monday of each month
4 unless there is a holiday in that particular
5 month. And it is duly noted in your calendar
6 schedule on the second page on what day it
7 falls for each month in 2019.

8 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay, Council, I need a motion to --
9 we need to adopt this, right?

10 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Yes, sir.

11 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay. Council, seek a motion to adopt
12 the meeting schedule for next year, for 2019.

13 **MAYOR PRO TEM McLAURIN:** Mr. Mayor, I make a motion
14 that we approve the meeting schedule for 2019.

15 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Second.

16 **MAYOR EVANS:** There's a motion and a second for the
17 approval of the 2019 meeting schedule on the
18 floor. Any other questions or comments? If
19 not, roll call?

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

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

22 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

23 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yea.

24 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

25 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.



1 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

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

3 **Report:**

4 **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to our reports, the Town
5 Manager?

6 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor and Council, I would like to
7 inform the public that Town Council will be
8 sponsoring a meet and greet on Thursday,
9 November the 8th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
10 here at the Community Center. Notices have
11 gone out in the mail to all residents of the
12 Town of Atlantic Beach are invited to attend.
13 Light refreshment repass will be served from
14 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. hosted by Town Council.
15 Flyers are going to go out in addition to the
16 mailing that went to all property owners in the
17 Town of Atlantic Beach. Also, tomorrow is an
18 election day. Community Center will be a
19 polling location for voting. I'm gonna ask Mr.
20 Montgomery to come and give a report on the
21 election for tomorrow, any information he wants
22 to provide.

23 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** You caught me (inaudible). I'm
24 glad to do it. But we urge all of you to come
25 out and vote tomorrow. You can see the



1 (inaudible) from watching the TV, but the poll
2 will open here tomorrow at 7:00 o'clock and
3 close at 7:00, and the (inaudible) will be
4 (inaudible) at 6:00 tomorrow. We urge
5 everybody to come out and vote.

6 **MAYOR EVANS:** Ben, have we been furnishing them with
7 lunch or anything, the poll workers? Who's
8 been doing that?

9 (Inaudible background noise.)

10 **MAYOR EVANS:** County's been doing ---

11 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** They pay them ---

12 **MAYOR EVANS:** --- okay. All right.

13 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** It's a County election.

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

15 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay.

16 **MR. MONTGOMERY:** We don't have anything to do with
17 that.

18 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay. Good.

19 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** At this time I'd like to call
20 Chief Taylor up to give a report on the Police
21 Department, Mayor, and a business owner, Ms.
22 Williams and a Halloween celebration. And
23 also, upcoming proposed activities for this
24 holiday season.

25 **POLICE CHIEF:** How are you doing, Mayor, Council and



1 the general public. I just want to first start
2 off by thanking everybody that participated in
3 our first Halloween festival that we had in the
4 Town of Atlantic Beach. We hope to continue to
5 do it each and every year. Hopefully, it'll
6 start growing a little bit more. This year, I
7 think the number that we received was like 130
8 people that participated throughout that whole
9 night. First, I wanted to thank Mayor, all the
10 Council, people that contributed to it. The
11 Town of Atlantic Beach, the Police Department,
12 Thee DollHouse, Ms. Brenda and Ms. Glenda. All
13 of them helped set it up, helped provide funds
14 to get it to where it was -- wanted to thank
15 Mr. John Sketers too. He came out the night
16 before to help set up for the event. Second,
17 I wanted to go into Thanksgiving. This is
18 going to be our first year, we're going to do
19 a feeding for the community and outside the
20 community. Anybody is welcome to come. It's
21 going to be at Ms. Glenda Williams' place
22 between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
23 on Thanksgiving Day. The menu is -- consists
24 of fried chicken, turkey, collard greens, rice,
25 mac and cheese, cake, sweet potatoes, green



1 beans, lemonade and tea. Anybody that wants to
2 donate to help fund the feeding that we're
3 doing that day, you can get in touch with me,
4 the Town Manager or Ms. Glenda herself. I
5 think that's all. And we might have one other
6 event, but we're still working on it. I hope
7 that we're getting out the letters out in the
8 mail to the people in the next week or so if
9 we're going to go forward with another event
10 we're trying to do before the end of the year.
11 Any other questions?

12 **(Inaudible background noise.)**

13 **MR. QUATTLEBAUM:** Mayor, that's it. I have flyers
14 and will be submitting additional flyers out to
15 the community for the resident meet and greet
16 on Thursday 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., but anyone who
17 wants to take a flyer or pass it on to other
18 residents of the Town, I -- you're welcome to
19 do so. That's all I have, Mayor, at this time.

20 **MAYOR EVANS:** Okay.

21 **Public Time:**

22 **MAYOR EVANS:** We're down to Public Time. I've got a
23 comment card here for Mr. John Sketers.

24 **MR. SKETERS:** Thank you. Thank you. Good evening,
25 Mayor and Council and general public.



1 **IN UNISON:** Good evening.

2 **MR. SKETERS:** Mr. Quattlebaum and staff there. I
3 don't know whether we did this or not yet --
4 maybe I missed that meeting -- but I want to
5 congratulate and welcome and thank our police
6 officers and our staff for doing the job they
7 did during our hurricane that we had here
8 because we have a small staff of people here
9 and they -- officers and the staff worked
10 extended hours themselves there. And that can
11 be appreciated. They had this Town well
12 covered. I do a lot of riding (ph) every day
13 myself in this Town and I could see them about
14 all the time taking care of Town business, and
15 that should be appreciated. We appreciate
16 that, officers. And the other thing is -- and
17 I might go a little over three minutes, Mayor,
18 if you'll allow me ---

19 **MAYOR EVANS:** Just a little.

20 **MR. SKETERS:** Excuse me?

21 **MAYOR EVANS:** Nothing, go ahead. I didn't say
22 nothing, go ahead.

23 **MR. SKETERS:** Put the breaks on real fast. Anyway,
24 the same thing then. I want to make a request
25 again for that produce plus market there I've



1 been discussing -- I've been trying to get a
2 license for that activity for the last two (ph)
3 years there. And during the time that I was in
4 government -- not trying to re-educate anybody
5 in government there, but any time you could
6 come up with an ordinance that's not more or
7 less paperwork, that you're not breaking the
8 law, you can make an amendment for the better.
9 And since Atlantic Beach is struggling for
10 business and new business and things of that
11 nature -- me, myself being there before -- I
12 see where that would be a plus for the Town of
13 Atlantic Beach as far as bringing in for
14 revenue. And that would help the people that
15 live in Atlantic Beach, the people in the
16 surrounding areas, such as some of the farmers
17 out (inaudible) like that. And that would give
18 them an income. And again, I'm asking the
19 Council for -- to consider to license me for
20 that in a spot over here, the open air stop
21 spot over here, and try to get this thing
22 going. And it's almost Christmas time. I
23 already have one vendor that wants to come and
24 sell Christmas trees in the same thing. And
25 again, I know that we are struggling for



1 businesses to relocate in the Town of Atlantic
2 Beach so I would ask Council at this time if
3 you would please just consider that. And it'll
4 be a whole help to the whole community that we
5 all can participate in. And I thank you for
6 your consideration in advance.

7 **IN UNISON:** Thank you.

8 **MAYOR EVANS:** Anything else, Council? If not, seek
9 a motion to adjourn?

10 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** So moved.

11 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Second.

12 **MAYOR EVANS:** Motion and a second to adjourn. No
13 other questions, roll call?

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

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

16 **CLERK:** Councilman Lenearl Evans?

17 **COUNCILMAN EVANS:** Yea.

18 **CLERK:** Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

19 **COUNCILWOMAN GORE:** Yea.

20 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

21 **MAYOR EVANS:** Yea. Motion granted. This meeting is
22 adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

23 **(There being nothing further, the meeting concluded.)**

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