



**SURFSIDE BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
EXECUTIVE SESSION JULY 10, 2018 ♦ 6:00 P.M.  
REGULAR MEETING JULY 10, 2018 ♦ 6:30 P.M.  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**Executive Session – 6:00 p.m.** Mayor Childs called Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 10, 2018 for the purpose of entering executive session pursuant to FOIA §30-4-70(a)(1) to discuss the appointment of a person or persons to a public body. Mayor Childs, Mayor Pro Tempore Pellegrino, and Councilmembers Dietrich, Johnson, Ott, Scoles, and Stevens were in attendance. A quorum was present. Mr. Dietrich moved to enter executive session at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Stevens second. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Ott moved to reconvene regular session at 6:26 p.m. Mr. Pellegrino second. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mayor Childs said for the record that no action was taken during executive session. Any motions and/or directions to the town administrator will be made during the regular meeting that begins at 6:30 p.m. as noted on the agenda under Business Item 7. Mayor Childs declared the session adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

**Town Council Meeting – 6:30 p.m.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Childs called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Childs, Mayor Pro Tempore Pellegrino, and Councilmembers Dietrich, Johnson, Ott, Scoles, and Stevens were in attendance. A quorum was present. Others present: Interim Administrator Duckett and Town Clerk Herrmann.

**2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. A. Invocation:** Reverend Jeff Wood of the Oasis of Hope Church gave the invocation. **B. Pledge of Allegiance:** Mayor Childs led the Pledge.

**3. AGENDA APPROVAL.** Mr. Stevens moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Mr. Dietrich second. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**4. MINUTES APPROVAL. Regular Meeting June 25, 2018.** Mr. Stevens moved to adopt the June 25, 2018 regular meeting minutes as presented. Ms. Scoles second. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS. Agenda Items Only.** (3-minutes per speaker) Mr. Jeff Hines, 13th Avenue North spoke in support of appointing Ms. Perrino to the election commission, citing her community involvement and passion for the town.

**6. COMMUNICATIONS – Administrator’s Report.** Mr. Duckett reported that the chairman of the business committee asked that the workshop scheduled for this Thursday night, July 12<sup>th</sup>, to discuss the overlay ordinance be postponed until September. **COUNCIL CONCURRED.** The town received a revised schedule for the pier this week prepared from Collins Engineers. Current activities include the hydrologic and wave analysis, which have been completed. The wind/wave analysis is ongoing, and significant modeling is involved. The superstructure design is substantially complete. According to the schedule we should be having the senior staff and stakeholder meetings by the end of this month and the 35% design submittals ready for FEMA on the end of August. Haggerty, the town’s consultant, is compiling invoices from finance to begin drawing off the \$700,000 that is obligated for design work by FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency).

**7. BUSINESS.**

**A. Resolution #18-191 to Consent to Participation in the SC Local Government Investment Pool, Interim Administrator Duckett.** Mr. Stevens moved to adopt Resolution #18-191. Mr. Ott second. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**B. Appointments:**

**i. Municipal Election Commission (1 Vacancy) Ms. Renee Blackwell; Ms. Sandra Elliott; Ms. Ruby Kreklau; Ms. Meg Perrino.** Mr. Johnson moved to appoint Ms. Ruby Kreklau to the municipal election commission. Ms. Scoles second. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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58 **ii. Parking Committee (2 Vacancies) Mr. Ed Hunt.** Mr. Johnson moved to dissolve the *ad hoc* parking  
59 committee. Mr. Dietrich second. Mr. Johnson explained that the town's parking function is operating smoothly  
60 under Lanier Parking Solutions and the police department. Therefore, an *ad hoc* advisory committee is no longer  
61 necessary. Mayor Childs, and Councilmembers Dietrich, Johnson, Ott, and Scoles voted in favor. Mayor Pro  
62 Tempore Pellegrino and Councilmembers Stevens voted against. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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64 **8. TOWN COUNCIL DISCUSSION.** There were no matters to be discussed by councilmembers.

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66 **9. PUBLIC COMMENTS. General Comments.** (5-minutes per speaker)

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68 Mr. Tom Dodge, 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, said that the parking committee's recommendations were mostly  
69 ignored over the past few years. He believed that the town would have allowed residents to find parking easier and  
70 would have brought in tens of thousands of dollars of parking revenue, if the council had adopted them. Remember  
71 \$910,000 plus was collected, not a penny of it was from taxpayers.

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73 Mr. Bill Kinken, North Dogwood Drive, spoke about the problem with geese and asked for help to relocate  
74 them. He challenged the council to review the ordinances to determine which ones would be enforced, changed or  
75 deleted. Examples: (1) No public drunkenness, and no glass containers on the beach are codes. Beachgoers are  
76 putting alcoholic beverages in plastic cups so they can drink on the beach. I've only seen public drunkenness and  
77 open bottles enforced; and (2) Citizens are prohibited from placing anything in the town's rights-of-way; however,  
78 there are fences, shrubbery, etc. in rights-of-way. If you are not going to enforce that code, change it to make it fair  
79 for everybody.

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81 Ms. Darleen Moody, 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue North; Ms. Beth Kohlmann, South Ocean Boulevard; Mr. Cory Nance 7<sup>th</sup>  
82 Avenue North, and Ms. Mary Maruca, 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, supported allowing dogs on the beach before 9:00 a.m. and  
83 after 5:00 p.m. on six foot leashes.

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85 Ms. Patricia Magliette, Harbor Lights Drive, said children driving golf carts continued to be a problem, and  
86 asked if there could be more enforcement.

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88 Ms. Meg Perrino, Cedar Drive North, thanked council for consideration for her application for the election  
89 commission, and invited everyone to attend the Keep Surfside Beach Beautiful Committee meeting on July 20<sup>th</sup>.

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91 Ms. Rosemarie Lacano (?), Oak Drive South, who owns two dogs said I am adamantly against dogs on the  
92 beach.

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94 **10. TOWN COUNCIL COMMENTS.**

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96 Mr. Dietrich appreciated the attendance and comments. The pier is a main priority, but it will get done.

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98 Mr. Johnson thanked everyone for attending. Mr. Duckett did a yeoman's job for the town. He is a resident  
99 and will be around. Kids driving golf carts is an on-going problem, but I don't know the solution.

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101 Mr. Ott thanked the parking committee members for their service. I would like to bring a discussion on the  
102 town's rights-of-way to the next meeting.

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104 Mr. Pellegrino thanked everyone for attending, and parking committee members for their work over the  
105 years. I walk on the beach year round. During the shoulder months and winter time, there is dog poop on the beach.  
106 Many dog owners are very responsible; but there's always a group of thinks they are above the rules. I don't agree  
107 with dogs on the beach during the summer time. Please be respectful and courteous to everyone. Thank you, Mr.  
108 Duckett, for work for the town.

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110 Ms. Scoles thanked everyone for attending. Thank you to Mr. Duckett for his service. I wish you luck and  
111 thank you for bringing what I feel it's gotta be a very qualified town administrator to this town.  
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113 Mr. Stevens was ashamed that the parking committee was dismissed. He did not support dogs on the beach  
114 during the summer. He wished Mr. Duckett would stay as permanent administrator, saying he proved an  
115 administrator can communicate with an entire council.  
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117 Mayor Childs thanked Mr. Duckett for his service as interim administrator. Geese are an ongoing problem.  
118 He hoped somebody comes up with a plan that works, because geese make a bigger mess than dogs. He did not  
119 support dogs on the beach during the summer. Hardly a week goes by that he hasn't met with the chief about  
120 children driving golf carts. Last year every golf cart rental place received a copy of the rules to distribute to their  
121 clients and were asked to have a sticker with the rules, but as of now, he's only seen it on one golf cart.  
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123 **11. ADJOURNMENT.** Mr. Stevens moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 p.m. Mr. Johnson  
124 second. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**  
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126 Prepared and submitted by:

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128 Debra E. Herrmann, CMC, Town Clerk  
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130 Approved: August 28, 2018  
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**Surfside Beach Town Council**

132 VOTE: Yes No

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135 Robert F. Childs, III, Mayor  
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139 David L. Pellegrino, Mayor Pro Tempore  
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143 Bruce H. Dietrich, Town Council  
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155 Randle M. Stevens, Town Council  
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160 subscription list. The agenda was posted on the entry door at Town Council Chambers. Meeting notice was also  
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