

TOWN OF SURFSIDE BEACH COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
October 20, 2009 5:00 o'clock p.m.

STORMWATER COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Dan Sine called meeting to order at 5:13pm. Members in attendance: Ken Harbin, Melodye Lane-Laveglia, P.L.Mabry, Dan Sine, Ty Taylor. Absent: Jerry Strange.

**PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE** – lead by Dan Sine.

**AGENDA & MINUTES APPROVAL**

Ken made a motion to approve minutes of the March 17, 2009 and July 21, 2009 meetings as presented. Melodye seconded the motion. No discussion. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR – MOTION CARRIED.

**BUSINESS/DISCUSSION**

- a. Committee Restructure – Dan announced that he is stepping down as chairperson. Ken offered to assume the chairperson position. P.L. made a motion to accept Dan's resignation and to appoint Ken as chairperson. Ty seconded. No discussion. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR – MOTION CARRIED. Once Ken accepted the position of chair, the committee discussed vice chairperson replacement. Dan made a motion to have him appointed as vice chairperson. Melodye seconded. No discussion. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR – MOTION CARRIED.
- b. Enhancement Project @ 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue North Gazebo area – per Ty, all plants and mulch were installed yesterday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. The project is “officially” completed. The committee extended its congratulations to crews at Public Works for a job well done. The natural vegetation landscape looks great!
- c. Fountains –Ben Powell from Clemson will meet with Ty on October 22<sup>nd</sup> to discuss styles etc. of fountains, aerators, and bubblers. Three proposals will be formulated. Ty reminded the committee of the monetary concerns due to the fact that most fountains are more aesthetic rather than functional. The depths of the ponds are also a deterrent.
- d. Stocking of Fish – Discussion on grass carp and game fish. Sediment needs to settle. Again there are monetary concerns. How do we fence fish in? We have been very aggressive with our lake spraying. Some baby carp have been located in ponds. We must have algae and weed control. It was suggested that we get Clemson to do a study. Ken mentioned that Jack Lampier from DNR has done a fish study. We need to determine what we already have in the lakes. Dan stated that according to the committee research April to June is the best time for stocking. Ken will contact Jack to get his input. Per P.L. white carp are sterile and will eat algae.
- e. Advisory Signage @ 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue North – Shannon Berry and Sean Torrens of DHEC met in a workshop on September 15<sup>th</sup>. Beach advisory was posted in the newspaper for Surfside Beach only. We have a site at 3<sup>rd</sup> North, #31. 31A is 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North. To avoid future advisories the town must display a permanent sign at 3<sup>rd</sup> North. Ken stated that he wants that sign. Per Ty, permanent signs are now in place and have solved this advisory problem. Ty stated that he would contact DHEC and clarify proper procedure. Regardless, kids should not be allowed to play in the swashes. According to Dan, new data will be out in January 2010 showing we have cleaner water than most places on the east coast. Dredging the lakes has helped.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

John O'Connor, 1512 Spruce Drive – requested the aerator be placed back in Cherry Lake. Is there anyway this can be fast-tracked? Ken advised Mr. O'Connor that he would check on this.

Bob Childs, 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue North –thanked the committee, Ty, and the Public Works crews for the beautiful job on the gazebo. He has talked with Nelson Hardwick regarding the stocking of the lakes. All we have to do is contact Mr. Hardwick.

**COMMITTEE COMMENTS**

Ty reminded everyone that stormwater, the lakes, drainage, etc. are all works in progress. It will take time and we must determine priorities.

Next meeting will be a seminar held on Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm in Council Chambers. Dan and Melodye will be out of town.

**ADJOURN**

Dan made a motion to adjourn. Melodye seconded the motion. No discussion. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR – MOTION CARRIED. Meeting was adjourned at 5:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joan Saleem  
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