

**TOPSAIL ISLAND
SHORELINE PROTECTION COMMISSION**

January 27, 2017 - 2:00 p.m.

Surf City
Town Hall

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Mike Curley called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Chairman Michael Curley - Surf City
Steve Smith - Topsail Beach
Dick Peters- North Topsail Beach
Jerry Patton – Topsail Beach
Michael Benson – North Topsail Beach
Hiram Williams- Surf City
Julian Bone – Topsail Beach
Dick Macartney- North Topsail Beach
Randall Woodruff- Pender County
Mark Price - Onslow County

Liaisons:

Stuart Turille – North Topsail Beach
Larry Bergman – Surf City
Mike Rose - Topsail Beach

Others Attending:

John Goller - Topsail Beach
Linda Stipe- Topsail Beach
Larry Combs- Topsail Beach
Fred Burns – North Topsail Beach
Mike Moore – CRC Representative
Morton Blanchard - Topsail Beach
Pam Castens – Army Corps
Ed Broadhurst – Topsail Beach
Janet Bradbury – Senator Richard Burr
Austen Shearer – Senator Thom Tillis
Chance Lambert – Congressman David Rouzer
Kathleen Riley - NCBIWAS

II. Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Macartney made a motion to approve the October 27th & November 17th 2016 minutes. Mr. Bone seconded the motion. Mr. Benson stated he wanted all

abbreviations spelt out and then abbreviated in each set of minutes. The motion was carried.

III. Old Business:

A. Poyner Spruill – Mike McIntyre

Mr. Curley stated Mr. McIntyre gave a briefing in his latest email in regards to Secretary of Defense, the 14-15 Congress, and Coastal Barrier Resources Act (CBRA).

Mr. Turille stated there are now options for the CBRA map changes, these changes were proposed by Fish & Wildlife. Mr. McIntyre has recommended to go with their map (LO6) and later ask for any amendment that may be needed.

Mrs. Shearer stated that Senator Tillis is supporting moving forward with the proposed LO6 map options.

B. Connie Wilson

Mr. Turille stated that the long session is coming up and this only happens every two years. He is attempting to gather direction or goals the commission may have to pass along to our legislative delegations.

Mr. Bone suggested that Mr. Turille gather the information and work with Kathleen at NCBIWAS.

Mrs. Riley with NCBIWAS stated they are having a breakfast on March 9th at 7:30am; they are gathering ideas on what to present to the legislative delegations. Setting up a funding source for beach maintenance is a big topic.

Mr. Williams made a point that this is statewide, we all have to work together.

C. Town's Local Projects

North Topsail Beach - Mr. Turille discussed a post Matthew dune push. They are still gathering information for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reimbursement. They are requesting \$7 million for a 125,000 cubic yards of sand. They are also auctioning off some surplus items at a surplus sale on March 1st.

Topsail Beach- Mr. Rose discussed that they have been working with the Army Corps of Engineers on a cost update. They have also been working with North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT), on drainage issues around town.

Surf City – Mr. Bergman discussed that they are preparing for dune push. They are estimating to start in the later part of February. They are also working on a cost estimate with the Army Corps of Engineers, and working on a parking plan.

D. Status of Existing Corps Projects

Mrs. Castens stated that they have been working with Topsail Beach and Surf City on a cost estimate. The Corps is still waiting on an As-Built from N. Topsail Beach, before starting theirs. Moving into the Fiscal Year (FY) 2019, preparation process. FY 18 congressional hearings about to start. Work plans for FY 17 will hit in June 2017.

E. CRC Update

Mr. Moore reported that the next Coastal Resources Commission (CRC) meeting will be February 7th & 8th in Atlantic Beach. Also that Bill Morrison, a long time Topsail Island resident, and active TISPC participant has passed away.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

Chairman Election:

Mr. Macartney made a motion to accept Mr. Ward's proxy by Mr. Curley. Mr. Benson seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mr. Macartney nominated Mr. Julian Bone as chairman.

Mr. Peters nominated Mr. Steve Smith as chairman.

Paper ballots were cast and counted by Mrs. Hobbs.

Mr. Steve Smith won majority.

Mr. Macartney made a motion to consider Mr. Smith as Chairman and Mr. Bone as Vice Chair. Mr. Benson seconded the motion and it was carried.

V. OPEN FORUM:

Town Boards Thoughts on Considering Various Other Topics

Topsail Beach:

Mr. Smith reported that their board had three areas of concern:

1. Chairman to a term of 2 years
2. Thinking beyond Army Corps funding, look into other funding sources
3. Have a better method of informing neighboring towns of ordinance changes

N. Topsail Beach:

Mr. Macartney reported that the board is comfortable with the direction that the TISPC has taken. To keep the topics of beach nourishment and those areas of general concern.

Mr. Benson had concerns with the webpage and the availability of information to the public and stakeholders. He then volunteered to develop a webpage for the commission.

Surf City:

Mr. Curley reported that it was the general consensus of the board to stay on the track of beach nourishment, and if there were other issues they could be brought before each town board.

Mr. Bergman reported that the council was unclear as to what other issues were of concern.

Mr. Williams stated that regionally we use the chamber. There is a need for a group specific to beach nourishment and that is what this commission does. Let other groups do other things.

Mr. Price reported that the Onslow County Board of Commissioners understands the importance of the beach and the inlets.

Mr. Woodruff reported that the interaction between the county and island towns is vital to the total tax base.

Mr. Bergman reminded the commission that the contract with Poyner & Spruill is up for renewal, and need to be an item at the next meeting.

VI. Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be on February 23rd at Topsail Beach Town Hall at 2pm.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Williams made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Macartney seconded the motion and it was carried.

Adopted this the __23__ day of __February____, 2017.