

1 **6. Introduction of New Employee**

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3 **a. Terry Wilson, Equipment Operator**

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5 Public Works Director Artie Dunn introduced the Town's newest full-time Equipment Operator
6 Terry Wilson. Public Works Director Dunn stated that Terry came to the Town with almost 20
7 years of Public Works experience that would be a great asset to the department. Director Dunn
8 said that Terry had extensive training through NC State University as far as street maintenance,
9 safety issues, and he looked forward to having him onboard.

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11 The Board and public welcomed Terry Wilson.

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13 **7. Proclamations / Public Announcements**

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15 Mayor Barber noted the following announcements for the public:

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17 • **Friday Free Flick – Friday, January 11 – 7 pm – Community Center**
18 • **Golf Cart Safety Class – Monday, January 14 – 6 pm – Town Board Meeting Room**
19 • **Golf Cart Advisory Committee – Tuesday, January 15 – 5:30 pm – Town Board Meeting**
20 **Room**
21 • **Police Educating the Public (PEP) – Tuesday, January 15 – 10 am – Town Board**
22 **Meeting Room**
23 • **Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee – Wednesday, January 16 – 9 am –**
24 **Community Center**
25 • **Dog Park Development Committee – Wednesday, January 16 – 3 pm – Community**
26 **Center**
27 • **Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday – Monday, January 21 – Town Offices Closed,**
28 **Community Center Open**
29 • **Coffee With a Cop – Thursday, January 24 – 9 am – Stir It Up**
30 • **Planning Board Regular Meeting – Monday, January 28 – 6 pm – Town Board Meeting**
31 **Room**
32 • **Golf Cart Safety Class – Saturday, February 2 – 10 am – Town Board Meeting Room**
33 • **Neighborhood Watch Committee Meeting – Tuesday, February 5 – 6 pm – Police**
34 **Conference Room**
35 • **Friday Free Flick – Friday, February 8 – 7 pm – Community Center**
36 • **Golf Cart Safety Class – Monday, February 11 – 6 pm – Town Board Meeting Room**
37 • **Fishing Tournament Committee Meeting – Monday, February 11 – 3 pm – Town**
38 **Administration Building**
39 • **Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting – Tuesday, February 12 – 6 pm – Town**
40 **Board Meeting Room**
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1 **8. Public Comment**

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3 **Brief Summary:**

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5 The public will have the opportunity to address the Board about any items of concern not on the agenda. The
6 Mayor and Board welcome and appreciate all comments from the public, and will take these comments into
7 consideration as they make decisions on Town issues and provide direction to Town staff. Public comment is a time
8 for the Board to listen to the public's concerns and ideas, and is not intended for a lengthy dialogue or question
9 and answer session.

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11 The Mayor, Board, and Town staff are happy to meet with any citizen during normal business hours or at any other
12 mutually agreeable time to discuss Town issues and answer any questions.

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14 There were no comments from the public.

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16 **9. Consent Agenda**

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18 a. Tax Releases
19 b. Minutes – December 10, 2018 Special Meeting
20 c. Minutes – December 11, 2018 Regular Meeting
21 d. Minutes – December 11, 2018 Closed Session
22 e. FY 2019-2020 Budget Calendar

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24 Mayor Barber asked the Board to first consider Consent Agenda items a-d.

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26 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Messer to approve Consent Agenda items a-d. The Board***
27 ***voted unanimously 4-0 in favor. Motion carried.***

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29 Mayor Barber noted that Consent Agenda Item- e – the FY 2019-2020 Budget Calendar included
30 amended dates.

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32 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Normile to approve the FY 2019-2020 Budget Calendar.***
33 ***The Board voted unanimously 4-0 in favor. Motion carried.***

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1 **10. Proposed Rezoning – 8917 Crew Drive, from (B) Business to (VW) Village West**

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3 **a. Public Hearing**

4 **b. Consideration of Rezoning Request**

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6 Town Planner Josh Edmondson addressed the Board concerning this Agenda item. The
7 following excerpt from his memo to Interim Manager Martin is provided for additional
8 background:

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10 Transportation Impact is in the planning stages of an addition to their existing facility at 8921 Crew Drive. Because
11 of this addition, they have acquired the adjacent piece of property addressed as 8917 Crew Dr, PIN
12 538311570234000. If you remember, a couple of years ago this entire area was rezoned to the (VW) Village West
13 District. The previous property owners did not wish to rezone keeping the property Business. With the addition
14 planned, Transportation Impact will be combining the parcel 8921 Crew Dr with this parcel. The desire is to have
15 the new combined parcel zoned consistently as (VW) Village West.

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17 Currently, the parcel is woodland and consists of .464 acres of land. The surrounding area is predominantly zoned
18 Village West (VW) and Business (B). The (VW) Village West District allows for a wide array of uses including but not
19 limited to residential, public, retail, wholesale and mixed-use development. This property is shown as mixed use in
20 the Town of Emerald Isle Land Use Plan as found on the Future Land Use Map. The Planning Board voted
21 unanimously to approve the rezoning as submitted at their December 17, 2018 meeting.

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23 If the board finds the recommendation to rezone, favorable, I would suggest the following motion and vote:

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25 The rezoning is both reasonable and in the public interest for the following reasons:

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 - The proposed rezoning is consistent with the goals and policies in the Town's Land Use Plan, and
 - The current and proposed uses of the property are compatible with neighboring properties,

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31 Attached to this memorandum is an excerpt from the Town's Zoning Map which shows the zoning of adjacent and
32 nearby parcels, an aerial map, an adjacent parcel map, an adjacent neighbors list, the applicants rezoning
33 application, mailing affidavit and a record of zoning amendment with an amended zoning map exhibit. I look forward
34 to discussing this issue with the Commissioners at their January 8, 2019 meeting. Please let me know if you have
35 any questions regarding the foregoing information.

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37 Town Planner Josh Edmondson provided visuals and outlined the proposed rezoning request
38 submitted by Transportation Impact for the parcel acquired to be rezoned from (B) Business to
39 (VW) Village West.

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41 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Messer to open the Public Hearing. The Board voted***
42 ***unanimously 4-0 in favor. Motion carried.***

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44 There were no public comments.

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1 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Messer to close the Public Hearing. The Board voted***
2 ***unanimously 4-0 in favor. Motion carried***

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4 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Dooley to approve the rezoning of the parcel located at***
5 ***8917 Crew Drive from (B) Business to (VW) Village West. The Board voted unanimously 4-0 in***
6 ***favor. Motion carried.***

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8 **11. Commercial Site Plan Review – Transportation Impact Phase II**

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10 Town Planner Josh Edmondson addressed the Board concerning this Agenda item. The
11 following excerpt from his memo to Interim Manager Martin is provided for additional
12 background:

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14 Transportation Impact has submitted a site plan to review for a Phase II addition to their existing site. The existing
15 site is just under 1 acre with a 3-story building and parking situated on the site. Transportation Impact has
16 purchased the adjacent vacant parcel, which is just under ½ an acre, and a parcel across Crew Dr, which is about
17 1.1 acres. Both larger parcels are zoned Village West with the smaller parcel being Business but is requested to be
18 rezoned to Village West. All surrounding properties are zoned Village West and Business. The smaller adjacent
19 parcel will be combined with the existing parcel.

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21 Currently, the small site adjacent to the existing building is vacant woodland and the site across Crew Dr is vacant
22 but used as parking for Transportation Impact. The garbage collection area for the existing Transportation Impact
23 and an onsite storage building is located on this site as well.

24 None of these properties is located in an area of environmental concern. A portion of the site across Crew Dr. is
25 located in the AE 9 flood zone. This site is also located along the canal running west to east along the northern
26 property line. There is no portion of the site adjacent to the existing building site in the flood zone. Existing
27 topography on the sites range from 4' to about 18' above sea level. All sites have Crew Dr as access for ingress and
28 egress. Carteret Craven EMC is the electrical utility provider and Bogue Banks Water Corporation is the water
29 provider. This site is currently served by an onsite septic system.

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31 **Site Improvements**

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33 Due to the timing and sequencing of construction and improvements, this does not include building elevations and
34 exterior building/commercial structure review. As you will note later, several improvements have to be completed
35 before construction of the addition can begin. Therefore, reviewing the site plan first will allow the owner to move
36 forward with land disturbing activities and parking, utility and infrastructure improvements. Before building
37 permits are issued and construction begins, a review of the commercial structure will have to take place which
38 both the owners and contractor understand. At this time, those plans have not been finalized and waiting to
39 review both site plan and the commercial building would have put the project 2-3 months behind schedule.

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41 Disturbance for the redevelopment of this property will be over 1 acre and therefore a new State Soil Erosion and
42 Sedimentation Control Permit is needed. The engineer has already sent that application to the State and expects
43 to receive approval soon. The new improvements will be the addition of a three-story 16,000 square foot
44 building, additional onsite parking, additional off-street offsite parking, stormwater, landscaping and lighting
45 improvements and tapping into the existing sanitary sewer system at Emerald Plantation. Also, note the addition
46 of a future expansion on the site plan as well.

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1 The TRC reviewed the site plan and offered the following comments to the developer:

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3 Site Plan and Stormwater Plan

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- 6 • Please show a 30' buffer from the edge of the Canal
 - 7 • Please show any new lighting additions for the new parking lot across Crew Drive
 - 8 • Please add a note that if the natural buffering along the canal does not meet the 8' opaque vegetative screen requirements, additional plantings will be added to ensure compliance
 - 9 • Please add note about landscaping of new parking lot as well as adjacent lot matching existing landscaping on the current build site
 - 10 • Submit final stormwater calculations
 - 11 • Add fire hydrant to the NE Corner of the Property
 - 12 • Review adding a pedestrian cross walk or pedestrian feature to allow for safe movement across Crew Dr between the building site and parking lot
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16 Notes of Interest

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- 18 • FDC should be relocated before construction
 - 19 • Existing fire hydrant will be turned by Bogue Banks Water Corporation
 - 20 • Existing gas tank will be relocated
 - 21 • Sewer line cut and bore in Crew Dr will be done before March or in April before Easter Weekend; if needed to be pushed out further will be done before the middle of May
 - 22 • Stormwater will be a modification to the existing stormwater permit for Phase I
 - 23 • Provide variance letter from Carteret Craven EMC for encroachment of small portion of the new building in the Electric Easement
 - 24 • **Sequence of construction as of TRC meeting**
 - 25 ○ **Construct new parking lot across street on Crew Dr**
 - 26 ○ **Cut and bore new sewer line**
 - 27 ○ **Demolish existing parking for building expansion**
 - 28 ○ **Construct Addition**
 - 29 ○ **Tie into Emerald Plantation Sewer System**
 - 30 ○ **Abandon existing septic system**
 - 31 ○ **Construct parking over old septic system**
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34 The site plan includes the revisions requested by the TRC. The following highlights the major site improvements that have been reviewed by staff and meet the requirements of the Unified Development Ordinance:

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- 37 • Setback/MB Lines – 10'; buildings well out of required setbacks
 - 38 • Proposed Driveways – One existing driveway 24'; Addition of two driveways both to be 24'
 - 39 • Proposed Drive Isles – All proposed drive isles to be 24' except where parking angle is 45 degrees, drive isle will be 20'
 - 40 • Materials for Parking Lot – Typical asphalt detail
 - 41 • Proposed Parking – 138 Total Spaces
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49 **Remote Parking Space**

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1 If the off-street parking space required by this section cannot be
2 reasonably provided on the same lot on which the principal use is
3 located, such space may be provided on any land within four
4 hundred (400) feet of the main entrance to such principal use, upon
5 review by the Planning Board and approval by the Board of
6 Commissioners.

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- 8 • Garbage Areas – Existing area screened with 6.5’ vinyl fence
- 9 • Fire Hydrants – 2 existing hydrants onsite, 1 hydrant added to Northeast corner
- 10 • Vegetative Area – 25% newly combined lot, 17% lot across Crew Dr
- 11 • Building Height – 40’
- 12 • Lighting – New lighting to match existing
- 13 • Landscaping – Landscaping to match existing; includes 5’ vegetative buffer along NC 58 as
14 required
- 15 • Waste Water – Abandoning existing onsite septic system and tying into sewer system at
16 Emerald Plantation; this will involve the sewer line being placed in the
17 Crew Dr right of way; The Emerald Plantation System has capacity for 50,000 gallons per
18 day; Currently the system operates about half capacity at 25,000 gallons per day;
19 Transportation Impact is requesting to add 5,000 gallons of additional waste water a day;
20 This system is operated by a private company Aqua
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22 The Planning Board reviewed the proposed site plan at their December 17, 2018 meeting. The Board suggested
23 adding some pedestrian signage around the crosswalk area for additional safety of pedestrians crossing from the
24 remote parking area to the building site. Staff will work with the owners, engineer and contractor on this issue to
25 select the correct placement and signage type.

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27 A few additional items to note. The stormwater management plan will be submitted to the Town’s consulting
28 engineer for review. Carteret-Craven Electric Cooperative has issued a variance to allow a small portion of the new
29 addition to be within the electric utility easement. Aqua North Carolina Inc. is the sewer provider for the project
30 and has certified the capacity for additional wastewater to enter the system.

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32 There are a number of items for your review included with the memo. These items are as follows:

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- 34 • Site & Commercial Plan Checklist
- 35 • Site Plan
- 36 • Zoning, Aerial Photography
- 37 • Variance from Carteret Craven Cooperative
- 38 • Utility Agreement (Town Attorney has reviewed and approved Agreement)
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40 The Planning Board recommended approving the project contingent upon receiving the soil and sedimentation
41 approval, final stormwater approval and agreement for sewer improvements in the Crew Dr right of way. If the
42 Commissioners so choose I would recommend an approval with these contingencies by the Commissioners as well.
43 I look forward to discussing this with the Commissioners at their January 8, 2019 meeting.

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45 Town Planner Josh Edmondson provided visuals of the site maps and details of the proposed
46 commercial site plan for Transportation Impact Phase II. Town Planner Edmondson noted that
47 the review tonight didn’t include the typical exterior building elevations, color schemes, things
48 typically seen with a site plan review. Town Planner Edmondson noted Transportation Impact

1 had a lot of site work to do before they could start on the building and he hoped to have at the
2 February meeting the actual commercial review of the exterior of the building for the Board to
3 consider for compliance with Town's ordinances. Town Planner Edmondson stated that the
4 proposed expansion would be a 15,000-16,000 sq. ft. facility as outlined in his memo above
5 which also included a potential future expansion. Town Planner Edmondson outlined the
6 sequence of steps of the proposed plan.

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8 Johnathan McDaniel, PE, Bell and Phillips, discussed and answered questions about the planned
9 sewer connection at Emerald Plantation, owned and maintained by Aqua, a utility company
10 with their own franchise.

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12 Town Planner Edmondson responded to a question from Jim Hackett in the audience as to
13 whether the Planning Board made any comments as to whether this was consistent with the
14 Emerald Isle 20 year plan. Town Planner Edmondson said the site plan review would not be the
15 appropriate time if the property was zoned properly, and this proposal was a proper use in the
16 zoning district.

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18 Mayor Barber asked for public comments.

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20 Jim Hackett, 6410 Ocean Drive, commented that he was not in support of this, as he didn't
21 think it was consistent with the feeling Emerald Isle gave as a tourist-retirement destination.
22 Mr. Hackett had never been in favor of the sight of the Transportation Impact building when
23 you came into the Town, and never thought it was consistent. Mr. Hackett said now it would
24 double in size and he didn't think it was appealing as one of the first things you saw as you
25 came into the Town. Mr. Hackett said he would love to see some kind of retail on the bottom
26 floor of the building, but to have a big industrial building that supported a commercial
27 establishment he felt was not consistent with Emerald Isle. Mr. Hackett didn't want to discount
28 what Transportation Impact brought to the Town but he thought it was disappointing that the
29 Town would let them double the size of the building. He hoped they could look at the site plan
30 in the future and somehow soften it and make it look more touristy. Mr. Hackett thought it
31 was not a good idea and also didn't like the parking lot across the street.

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33 Commissioner Taylor stated that the land was already zoned for this type of building and it was
34 not for the Board to say what could be built on land already approved for that use.
35 Commissioner Taylor wanted to be sure Mr. Hackett didn't think the Board was not listening to
36 him but that they had to follow the rules and regulations.

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38 Jay Thomas, 115 Lee Avenue, noted Jim Hackett was his friend but on this issue he disagreed.
39 Mr. Thomas thought this was a great place for Transportation Impact. Mr. Thomas said they

1 had done so much for this community and as far as being touristy they had a fabulous
2 restaurant, and he would rather see this building than another t-shirt shop.

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4 Richard Gallucci, Point Emerald Villas, asked if we wanted to be a beach town or open up to
5 commerce along Emerald Drive. Mr. Gallucci felt that nice matters and thought that the people
6 at Transportation Impact were nice however inexorably if they continued to make this a place
7 where industry would like to come then they would lose the small town hominess. Mr. Gallucci
8 said he didn't have any qualms when Publix came in Town but he felt we were losing the flavor
9 of this town.

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11 Tom Rule, 103 Howe Street, said he was in favor of moving forward with this project. Mr. Rule
12 said there was probably an opportunity with the landscaping to address some of the concerns.
13 Mr. Rule felt the developer could look at landscaping to maintain a tourist attraction style, and
14 it might hide some of the concerns expressed.

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16 Commissioner Normile said he chaired the Land Use Plan working parcel by parcel and from a
17 land use scenario perspective the commercially zoned land – business, retail – was about 9-10%
18 of our land mass. Commissioner Normile noted it was zoned this way before any of the current
19 Board members were here and had certainly been tweaked over the years. Commissioner
20 Normile supported the village concept but from a big perspective he didn't think allowing
21 Transportation Impact to add on to their business was necessarily going to change their overall
22 demographic. Commissioner Normile felt it would be anti-climactic at the end, but the land
23 was positioned to do exactly what Transportation Impact had requested, and again from a big
24 picture the commercial areas were less than 10% of the Town's land mass.

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26 Richard Gallucci added that he wasn't speaking against this project as such but was looking at
27 what we want for this Town in the future. Mr. Gallucci said the wheels had already started and
28 he guessed would continue but he thought they had to keep looking ahead and at some point
29 have to say no. Mr. Gallucci said Transportation Impact would probably be paying some of his
30 taxes and would help keep some of their costs down but nonetheless they needed to think
31 what they want in the future.

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33 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Messer to approve the commercial site plan for***
34 ***Transportation Impact Phase II contingent upon receipt of the soil and sedimentation***
35 ***approval, final stormwater approval, and agreement for sewer improvements in the Crew***
36 ***Drive right-of-way. The Board vote unanimously 4-0 in favor. Motion carried.***

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1 **12. Appointments**

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3 **a. Golf Cart Advisory Committee**

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5 **Brief Summary:** The terms of members Chris Blythe, Martha Levey, and Michael Taylor all expire in January
6 2019, and the Board should appoint 3 individuals to serve new 2-year terms that will expire in January 2021. All 3
7 individuals have expressed interest in being reappointed to the Golf Cart Advisory Committee.

8 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Normile to appoint Chris Blythe, Martha Levey, and***
9 ***Michael Taylor to new terms on the Golf Cart Advisory Committee that expire January 2021.***
10 ***The Board voted unanimously 4-0 in favor. Motion carried.***

11 **12.1 Residency Requirement for Town Manager – (Item Added to Agenda)**

12 Mayor Barber noted that the Town was working with the Mercer Group in the search for a new
13 Town Manager and the executive search firm had been asked whether the Town Manager
14 would be required to live in Emerald Isle. Mayor Barber felt the Board should discuss and make
15 this decision before the interview process began.

16 Mayor Barber asked for public comments.

17 Taney Browder, 7515 Sound Drive, definitely thought the Town Manager should be a resident
18 of Emerald Isle because he would have skin in the game and knew the residents. He felt if you
19 didn't live here you would probably not be accepted as well and it just made sense to him.

20 Bob Lopes, 2516 Emerald Drive, felt the new Town Manager should live and have a vested
21 interest in Emerald Isle.

22 Bernie Whalley, Ocean Drive, thought they wanted a Town Manager that was knowledgeable
23 and got along well with others in the community. Mr. Whalley felt Emerald Isle was better
24 managed and more efficient in our operations from his observance over the last 35-40 years.
25 Mr. Whalley didn't have any qualms about anyone who lived within this part of North Carolina
26 but he would prefer someone familiar with this area, who liked this area, and had lived in this
27 area. Mr. Whalley thought once they got into Emerald Isle to see how we operate that this
28 person would develop a warm feeling towards Emerald Isle, its citizens, how it functions, its
29 ideals, and to be very careful not to pick up bad habits from other areas. He saw no reason to
30 make that person live in Emerald Isle if they were already living in a good residence, he thought
31 they should be in driving distance such as an hour but to require they be a resident or not have
32 the job was asking a little too much.

33 Commissioner Messer stated he was in favor of requiring the Town Manager to live within our
34 Town.

1 Commissioner Taylor agreed that when you lived in the area you got a feel for the Town on a
2 private level and he felt it made a difference in the long run.
3 Commissioner Dooley thought involvement in that way was important but felt they should also
4 pay the same tax rate as our residents.

5 Commissioner Normile agreed with Board comments.

6 Commissioner Messer clarified that they were not talking about hiring someone from Emerald
7 Isle, they might hire someone from Raleigh but once hired they wanted them to live here.

8 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor that future Town Managers from this point***
9 ***forward be required to live in the town limits of Emerald Isle. The Board voted unanimously***
10 ***4-0 in favor. Motion carried.***

11 **13. Comments from Town Clerk, Town Attorney and Interim Town Manager**

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13 There were no comments from the Town Clerk or Town Attorney.

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15 Interim Town Manager Randy Martin referenced his monthly report as included in Board
16 packets. Interim Manager Martin noted the adopted Budget Calendar provided for upfront
17 input before the budget was prepared from citizens at their next meeting in February. Mr.
18 Martin said citizens would be given the opportunity to comment on priority needs and
19 initiatives for the Town before the Board had its own work sessions.

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21 Interim Town Manager Martin also updated the Board on the latest status of the beach
22 nourishment project.

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24 The following is an excerpt from the Interim Town Manager Comments memo to the Board
25 providing additional background information for all items of importance:

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27 I continued to attend a number of meetings to represent Emerald Isle's interest locally and regionally during the
28 past month. The Mayor and I attended the Crystal Coast Mayors holiday meeting in Pine Knoll Shores and the
29 Emerald Isle Business Association monthly meeting. I also attended the following: Indian Beach Board of
30 Commissioners called meeting regarding the beach nourishment project; the Emerald Isle Planning Board monthly
31 meeting; with Commissioners Messer, Normile and Taylor, I visited Town contractor Simmons & Simmons for
32 lunch and a facility tour; and, participated in a regional State DEQ & Army Corps of Engineers regulatory
33 stakeholders meeting in New Bern that focused on coastal community items of interest. I also had media
34 interactions with local television, cable and print reporters to promote Emerald Isle in general, provide beach
35 nourishment updates and more recently to market our efforts to solicit bids for the hurricane related fire station
36 repairs.

37 Regarding the beach nourishment phase 1 project for eastern Emerald Isle, Indian Beach and Salter Path,
38 contractor notice of award was executed and delivered after Indian Beach approval of their share. The Town

1 Attorney has completed review of contract documents prepared by the consulting engineer. Subject to the
2 scheduled action of the County Commissioners on January 14th to authorize their funding participation for the
3 balance of the project, we will be prepared to execute the contracts and issue the notice to proceed to the
4 contractor. A pre-construction meeting has been scheduled for January 30th with the contractor and other
5 interested parties. After that meeting, more information on the anticipated start date for project construction
6 activities will be determined and announced. The project completion contractual deadline remains April 30th.

7 In areas outside the nourishment project impacted beach, beach and sound access repairs to Town facilities will be
8 a priority focus for staff. The goal is complete these areas as soon as possible but hopefully before the tourism
9 season starts to crank up. Accesses in the beach project affected areas will need to be coordinated and timed as
10 the project progresses, but every effort will be made to complete as many of these as possible also before the
11 tourism season approaches.

12 Another priority for staff is to address other public facility needs impacted or damaged by the storm. At the top of
13 the list currently is evaluating and preparing to address the roof on the Police Department and Board meeting
14 room building. We are currently engaged with getting professionals to evaluate options. We plan to make this a
15 focus capital project at the budget workshop for discussion and action consideration as soon as possible
16 thereafter. Public works has taken steps to repair and hopefully control any additional leaking in the meantime,
17 but we remain vulnerable particularly considering the abundance of rain we have had to endure of late.

18 Citizens are encouraged to participate in their early opportunity to contribute their ideas to the budget process for
19 FY 2019-2020 by coming to the planned public hearing recommended for the February 12th regular Board
20 meeting. If the Board adopts the tentative budget calendar, this opportunity will be published through the website
21 and other available options.

22 **14. Comments from Board of Commissioners and Mayor**

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24 Commissioner Taylor commented that they had a great volunteer meeting for the Fishing
25 Tournament the night before with an excellent turnout. Commissioner Taylor said the
26 tournament website was up and the tournament was set to take place on September 21.
27 Commissioner Taylor encouraged anyone interested in serving on one of the subcommittees to
28 contact him.

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30 Commissioner Normile commented that Fire Captain Bruce Norman's wife Jo Ann had been
31 diagnosed with cancer, they were great folks, and he asked for her to be remembered in
32 prayers.

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34 Mayor Barber thanked everyone for attending, and thanked Interim Manager Randy Martin for
35 the fantastic job he was doing.

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2 **15. Adjourn**

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4 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Messer to adjourn the meeting. The Board voted***
5 ***unanimously 4-0 in favor. Motion carried.***

6 ***The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.***

7 Respectfully submitted:

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11 Rhonda C. Ferebee, CMC, NCCMC

12 Town Clerk

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