

1 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
2 OF THE EMERALD ISLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
3 TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2005 – 6:00 P.M. – TOWN HALL
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6 The regular monthly meeting of the Emerald Isle Board of Commissioners was
7 called to order by Mayor Art Schools at 6:00 P.M.
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9 Present for the meeting: Mayor Art Schools, Commissioners Pete Allen, Nita
10 Hedreen, Robert Isenhour, Floyd Messer, and John Wootten.
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12 Others present: Town Attorney Richard Stanley, Town Manager Frank Rush,
13 Asst. Town Manager/Finance Officer Mitsy Overman, Town Clerk Rhonda
14 Ferebee, Planning Director Kevin Reed, and Parks and Recreation Director
15 Alesia Sanderson.
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17 After roll call all who were present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
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19 **4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
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21 *Motion was made by Commissioner Messer to adopt the Agenda. The*
22 *Board voted unanimously 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.*
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24 **5. PROCLAMATIONS / PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**
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26 Mayor Art Schools noted the following proclamations and announcements for the
27 public:
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- 29 • Beach Jive After Five – Thursday, June 16, 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm, Western
30 Ocean Regional Access
- 31 • 4 vs. 4 Volleyball Tournament – Saturday, June 18, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm,
32 Western Ocean Regional Access
- 33 • Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee – Monday, June 20, 6:00 pm,
34 Community Center
- 35 • Planning Board – Monday, June 27, 6:00 pm, Town Hall
- 36 • Town Fireworks Display – Monday, July 4, -9:15 pm, Bogue Inlet Pier
- 37 • Town Hall Closed – Monday, July 4
- 38 • Board of Commissioners – Tuesday, July 12, 6:00 pm Town Hall
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40 **6. CONSENT AGENDA**
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- 42 a) Minutes – May 10 Regular Meeting
- 43 b) Capital Project Ordinance Amendment – NC 58 Bicycle Path
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45 *Motion was made by Commissioner Wootten to approve the Consent*
46 *Agenda. The Board voted unanimously 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.*

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2 **7. PUBLIC COMMENT**
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4 Margie Adams, Rocky Mount, NC and Bridgeview Campground, spoke
5 concerning her recent purchase in Bridgeview Campground, subsequently
6 learning that the campground had been sold just prior to her purchase. She
7 asked about the rezoning of the property. Ms. Adams spoke of her loss both
8 personal and financial, and the difficulties she was now facing trying to relocate
9 her mobile home due to various restrictions based on the age of the mobile home
10 and difficulty finding another park close by.
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12 Town Manager Rush said the property had not been rezoned. He stated there is
13 a rezoning request scheduled for the Planning Board meeting on June 27 at 6:00
14 at Town Hall.
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16 Mayor Schools stated that while they were sympathetic that Ms. Adams wasn't
17 aware of the sale of the campground before signing her lease, the Town Board
18 had no control in this situation.
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20 Commissioner Messer added that it was unfortunate what was happening to Ms.
21 Adams, and others, but explained that if the new owners bought the property and
22 chose to leave it exactly as is, but just wanted everyone gone, when the lease
23 expires everyone would have to leave, rezoning has nothing to do with it; this
24 being a situation between the landowner and the tenant.
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26 Mayor Schools read a letter from Richard Moore the State Treasurer dated
27 December 9, 2004, congratulating the Town on the recent bond rating upgrade
28 from A2 to A3, the ratings the letter stated will result in substantial savings to the
29 taxpayers of the Town, noting the diligent work by Town Manager Frank Rush
30 and Asst. Town Manager Mitsy Overman, and commending the members of the
31 Board for providing a work environment that attracts and keeps such qualified
32 and dedicated employees.
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34 **8. PRESENTATION – WALK TO D'FEET ALS SEPTEMBER 10, 2005**
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36 Kelly Rogers and Kim Hebert presented information to the Board concerning the
37 upcoming Walk to D'Feet ALS in September. Ms. Rogers noted that the ALS
38 Walk in 2003 was the biggest walk in Eastern North Carolina, raising \$120,000.
39 Ms. Rogers encouraged everyone to join a team, start a team, or be a
40 sponsorship volunteer, and come out and be involved. Ms. Rogers said that
41 Raleigh just exceeded Emerald Isle's earnings by \$2,000, asking everyone to
42 help give that extra push so as not to let Raleigh outdo Emerald Isle. Ms. Hebert
43 distributed posters and literature for display. Ms. Hebert noted that the Town of
44 Emerald Isle also has a team, headed by Laura Lee Ness, Parks and Recreation
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2 Program Supervisor. Ms. Hebert noted that the Emerald Isle ALS Walk was also
3 top 10 in the nation. Ms. Hebert added that this year there will be a Family Day
4 following the walk to take place at the Holiday Trav-L-Park.

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6 **9. FY 05-06 BUDGET**
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8 Town Manager Frank Rush summarized for the Board the significant details
9 pertaining to the budget ordinance, fee schedule, capital replacement /
10 improvement program, and the budget amendment making year-end adjustments
11 to the FY 04-05 General Fund budget. The following excerpt from Mr. Rush's
12 memo to the Board is provided for background:

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14 FY 04-05 Year-End Budget Amendments

15 The attached budget amendment makes several year-end adjustments to the Town's FY 04-05 General Fund budget.
16 This amendment must be approved prior to June 30, 2005 in order to be reflected in the FY 04-05 audit report.

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18 The proposed adjustments are generally consistent with the FY 04-05 "projected" figures presented in the FY 05-06
19 Recommended Budget booklet, and are consistent with the Board's discussions during the recent budget workshops.
20 The highlights of this budget amendment are as follows:

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- 23 • the budget amendment makes various adjustments to departmental budgets so that all departments' actual
24 expenses will not exceed budget amounts at year-end (several of the necessary adjustments are the result of
25 accounting issues whereby the expense was budgeted under one department but expensed to a different
26 department);
 - 27 • the budget amendment allocates sufficient funding to fully retire the outstanding brush truck debt early
28 (\$38,069), as presented in the FY 05-06 Recommended Budget and discussed during budget workshop
29 meetings;
 - 30 • the budget amendment allocates \$97,569 to retire a portion of the 2004 Fire engine debt early to put the
31 Town in a position to fully retire this debt during FY 05-06, as presented in the FY 05-06 Recommended
32 Budget and discussed during budget workshop meetings;
 - 33 • the budget amendment allocates an additional \$9,000 of additional Powell Bill reserves for the construction
34 of the sidewalk segment between Mangrove Drive and Emerald Plantation;
 - 35 • the budget amendment recognizes anticipated additional property tax revenues (\$48,000) and building
36 permit fees (\$40,000) to cover these additional expenses.
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38 Mitsy Overman, Assistant Town Manager / Finance Director, and I will be happy to answer any questions about these
39 adjustments at the June 14 meeting.
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44 FY 05-06 Budget Ordinance, Fee Schedule, Capital Replacement / Improvement Program

45 The attached FY 05-06 budget ordinance, fee schedule, and capital replacement / improvement program are all
46 consistent with the Board's discussions during the recent budget workshop meetings, and are presented for formal
47 consideration and adoption at the June 14 meeting. As you know, the required public hearing was held on June 2.
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49 The total FY 05-06 General Fund budget included in the attached budget ordinance is \$6,272,744, which is a
50 \$140,503, or 2.29%, increase from the FY 04-05 adopted budget amount. The General Fund budget is balanced with
51 a 15.5-cent tax rate, which is a 1-cent reduction from FY 04-05. The attached budget ordinance also includes
52 appropriations for the Town's various Other Funds, including the Beach Nourishment Debt Service / Reserve Fund.

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The Beach Nourishment Debt Service / Reserve Fund includes sufficient appropriations to meet debt service requirements for the beach nourishment bonds, and is balanced with a 48-cent Primary Benefit District (oceanfront) tax rate, and a 3-cent Secondary Benefit District (non-oceanfront) tax rate for the 4th year in a row.

The attached budget ordinance reflects the changes discussed by the Board of Commissioners at its May 23 and June 2 workshop meetings. The total General Fund budget of \$6,272,744 is slightly higher than the \$6,196,073 total that was included in the Recommended Budget, due primarily to plans to expedite the construction of traffic improvements at Coast Guard Road and NC 58 during FY 05-06 instead of FY 06-07, as originally proposed, and due to the proposed "roll-over" of unspent funds from FY 04-05 to FY 05-06. The specific adjustments to the General Fund Recommended Budget that were identified by the Board of Commissioners and / or are now recommended by the Town Manager are as follows:

<u>Revenues</u>		
Sales Tax (minor revenue adjustment)		\$ 5,979
State-Shared Revenues (minor revenue adjustment)		(39)
Other Fees (minor revenue adjustment)		631
Grant Revenues (USTA tennis grant)		5,000
Other Revenues (minor revenue adjustments)		10,100
Interest Earnings (increasing interest rates)		5,000
Fund Balance (one-time use for CG Road traffic improvements)		<u>50,000</u>
TOTAL REVENUES		\$ 76,671
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Administration (additional salary and benefit funds)		7,346
Planning and Inspections (roll-over from FY 04-05; GIS equipment)		4,000
Police (management audit minus salary savings)		8,075
Fire (early purchase of ATV)		(9,000)
Parks and Recreation (roll-over from FY 04-05; tennis courts)		20,000
Transfer to Coast Guard Road Traffic Improvements Project		50,000
Transfer to Regional Access Fund (smaller grant match)		
	<u>(3,750)</u>	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$ 76,671

I have included a revised General Fund budget summary in your agenda packets that reflects these changes.

There are no differences between the FY 05-06 budget ordinance and the FY 05-06 Recommended Budget for any of the Town's Other Funds, with the exception of the Regional Access Fund. The Town has actually submitted CAMA Public Access Grant applications for \$85,000 as opposed to the \$100,000 figure contemplated in the FY 05-06 Recommended Budget. As a result, the local match has been decreased from \$25,000 to \$21,250.

The Board should note that the Town's official fee schedule is attached to the budget ordinance, and is presented in conjunction with the budget ordinance. The only change in the fee schedule is a \$3 increase in the annual solid waste fee, which is necessary to meet increasing collection costs and solid waste volumes. This proposed increase would result in an annual solid waste fee of \$150. There are no other fee changes in the attached fee schedule.

I have also attached a revised copy of the Capital Replacement / Improvement Program in the agenda packet, and request that the Board formally adopt this plan in conjunction with the budget ordinance and fee schedule. The attached plan is consistent with the plan included in the Recommended Budget and the Board's recent discussions. The only changes in the revised plan are 1) the construction of Coast Guard Road traffic improvements in FY 05-06, one year earlier than originally contemplated, 2) the inclusion of tennis court improvements in FY 05-06 that were originally scheduled for FY 04-05, and 3) the removal of an ATV replacement in the Fire Department that was originally scheduled for FY 05-06 but was purchased within the last few weeks.

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2 I have included a revised General Fund 5-Year Forecast in the agenda packet for your information, and the forecast
3 continues to reflect the Town's ability to stabilize the tax rate at 15.5 cents over the next few years. I have also
4 included a copy of the Beach Nourishment Debt Service / Reserve Fund Forecast, Town organization chart, and
5 summary of authorized positions for your information. As you know, the FY 05-06 budget includes funding for 1 new
6 position in the Public Works Department, bringing the total number of full-time employees in the Town to 60.
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8 Town Manager Rush noted that the Budget Ordinance also includes the levy of a
9 one-time \$800 fee on all property owners fronting on the canal on Bogue Sound
10 Drive, providing the local match for the grant awarded to dredge the canal, work
11 to begin later this fall. Mr. Rush said a \$24,000 local match is required, and the
12 one-time fee will be levied on all property owners fronting on the canal including
13 those who benefited from the project of a small entrance channel last year at the
14 western end of the canal.
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16 Commissioner Isenhour commented on the allocation in the budget amendment
17 concerning an additional \$9,000 of additional Powell Bill reserves for the
18 construction of the sidewalk, being about the same thing the Board is asked to do
19 in Item 13. Commissioner Isenhour said he had discussed this with the Town
20 Manager about his concern of leaving \$3,000 in the Powell Bill reserves, but
21 stated Mr. Rush assured him that will be sufficient and will not impact the
22 maintenance of the roadways. Town Manager Rush stated that the Powell Bill
23 reserve is simply money left over each year from the annual Powell Bill
24 allocation, and the Town has used it for sidewalks and other street projects. Mr.
25 Rush said they typically take the annual Powell Bill allocation and use the bulk for
26 the annual street resurfacing contract, and they do set aside a small portion of
27 that for street repairs, pothole repairs, small patch jobs, as well as a small
28 amount of money for drainage improvements. Mr. Rush said in terms of the
29 ability to respond to pothole concerns throughout the year there will be money in
30 the 05-06 budget to do that and in future years.
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32 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Wootten to adopt the FY 04-05 Year-***
33 ***End Budget Amendment as presented. The Board voted unanimously 5-0***
34 ***in favor. Motion carried.***
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36 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Messer to adopt the FY 05-06 Budget***
37 ***Ordinance and Fee Schedule. The Board voted unanimously 5-0 in favor.***
38 ***Motion carried.***
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40 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Isenhour to adopt the Capital***
41 ***Replacement / Improvement Program. The Board voted unanimously 5-0 in***
42 ***favor. Motion carried.***
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2 **10. PROPOSED REZONING – RESIDENTIAL MOTEL / HOTEL (RMH) TO**
3 **RESIDENTIAL-2 (R-2) – WESTERN EMERALD ISLE**
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5 Kevin Reed, Planning Director, provided an overhead presentation of the areas
6 being considered in the proposed rezoning. Mr. Reed said this continues the
7 implementation phase of the 2004 CAMA Land Use Plan, specifically rezoning
8 certain properties from RMH to R-2. Mr. Reed stated the area being considered
9 is the property located on the north side of Coast Guard Road stretching from the
10 West End Subdivision to Spinnakers Landing. Mr. Reed noted that the Planning
11 Board considered this request at their May 23, 2005 meeting, voting unanimously
12 to recommend to the Board of Commissioners that the rezoning be approved.

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14 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Wootten to open the Public Hearing.***
15 ***The Board voted unanimously 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.***
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17 Felice Rizetto, 9020 Crew Drive, wished to emphasize what Ms. Adams spoke
18 about earlier, that rezoning does affect everyone. Mr. Rizetto said his concern is
19 what the impact would be to anyone in the room if they received a letter that their
20 property would be bulldozed at the end of a specific time period without any
21 compensation for the value of the property. Mr. Rizetto spoke of the history of
22 the Bridgeview Campground.

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24 Mayor Schools asked Mr. Reed if the Bridgeview Campground was included in
25 the area being considered for rezoning tonight. Mr. Reed responded that it was
26 not.

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28 Mr. Rizetto said he wished to comment now rather than during public comment
29 because this is a rezoning change which is apparently what may also happen
30 with Bridgeview Campground.

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32 Mr. Reed stated that the Planning Board is slated to consider that rezoning issue
33 at their next meeting.

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35 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Isenhour to close the Public Hearing.***
36 ***The Board voted unanimously 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.***
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38 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Isenhour to rezone the properties***
39 ***along the north side of Coast Guard Road, as depicted on the attached***
40 ***map, from RMH to R-2.***
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2 **11. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR EMERALD ISLE WOODS**
3 **PARK DESIGN SERVICES -(05-06-14/R1)**
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5 Alesia Sanderson Parks and Recreation Director stated that she and Town
6 Manager Rush had solicited requests for qualifications from firms to perform the
7 design work, construction administration, permitting, and the whole gamut for
8 Emerald Isle Woods Park, with a very tight schedule to have the park completed
9 by June 30, 2006. Ms. Sanderson stated that the park now has to be completed
10 by June 1, 2006. Ms. Sanderson said they received five submittals of
11 qualifications, interviewed four of those firms, all firms being very qualified. Ms.
12 Sanderson said they then chose a firm that had some local interest here, with Mr.
13 Farkas being a property owner in Emerald Isle. Ms. Sanderson said that John
14 Farkas, JFK Architecture of Greenville, NC provided a schedule that completes
15 the park by the deadline. Ms. Sanderson stated the fee is \$45,464 which is
16 within the budgeted amount in the capital ordinance.
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18 Commissioner Isenhour asked about the firm's ability to meet the deadline. Ms.
19 Sanderson said that the project timeline and the project budget were the two
20 issues stressed primarily to all of the firms, and the \$500,000 sum is also in the
21 contract.
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23 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Hedreen to adopt the Resolution***
24 ***Authorizing Contract for Emerald Isle Woods Park Design Services. The***
25 ***Board voted unanimously 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.***
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27 **Note: A copy of Resolution 05-06-14/R1 is incorporated herein by reference and hereby made a part**
28 **of these minutes.)**
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30 **12. ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 11 – MOTOR VEHICLES AND**
31 **TRAFFIC – TO PROHIBIT MOTORIZED VEHICLES ON TOWN SIDEWALKS**
32 **AND BICYCLE PATHS – (05-06-14/O1)**
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34 Town Manager Rush stated that a replacement agenda item had been provided
35 to the Board tonight. Mr. Rush said there were a few changes made to the
36 recommended ordinance based on additional conversation with the Town
37 Attorney and staff members. Mr. Rush said that the Board had adopted a policy
38 last year for the new bicycle path that prohibited motorized vehicles on the
39 bicycle path. Mr. Rush said there have been issues recently with motorized
40 vehicles traveling on the path and they recognized there was no ordinance that
41 addressed this issue. Mr. Rush said this ordinance essentially prohibits motor
42 vehicles on sidewalks, and bicycle paths. Mr. Rush said there is also clarifying
43 language exempting law enforcement, emergency service vehicles, town
44 maintenance personnel, and also exempting handicapped individuals and elderly
45 individuals who need mobility assistance.
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Sharon Lewis, 104 West Summer Place, also owner of property at 6203 Ocean Drive, stated she is in one of the blocks where they just completed one of the connectors which are considered part of the bicycle path system. She thanked Frank Rush, Alesia Sanderson, and Artie Dunn for their work. She asked that it be clear this ordinance covers Ocean Drive as well, noting her concern of the tremendous number of motorcycles, golf carts, and cars, using those connectors.

Mr. Rush said this ordinance would apply to both of the bike path connectors installed on Ocean Drive, and any future bicycle paths.

Ms. Lewis said she knew signs had just been placed that designated the connectors as a bike path but wondered if there was a way to word the ordinance that addressed Ocean Drive connectors specifically. She hoped for a little stronger wording to make it very clear that people will be ticketed.

Mr. Rush felt the practical issue is whether our Police Department considers the connectors as bicycle paths, and he stated the absolute direction from the Manager and Police Chief will be that these are bicycle paths, adding that the language is written to encompass any future paths as well wherever they may be.

Commissioner Isenhour felt the \$50 fee for a violation was not sufficient and should be increased to at least twice that amount. Commissioner Isenhour said the Town is not in the business to collect a \$50 penalty, but to keep the motorized vehicles off the bike path, and he would like to include \$100 as the penalty for a violation, and asked if this should be written in the ordinance itself.

Commissioner Hedreen felt that electric bicycles should be allowed. She felt they didn't go any faster than some of the bicycles they see going on leg power.

Alesia Sanderson, Parks and Recreation Director related her experience on an electric bike on the bicycle path, in response to a request from the owner of a bicycle shop asking for Ms. Sanderson's input in developing their rental policies for electric bikes. Ms. Sanderson said she was able to reach a speed of 20 mph and felt that this speed on a mixed use path was unsafe in her opinion. Ms. Sanderson said she had recommended the motorized vehicles not be allowed on the bike path, noting however, that they are perfectly legal on town streets.

Jay Thomas, 115 Lee Avenue, asked for clarification if he could push a scooter / motorized vehicle across the Ocean Drive connectors. The Board's response was that he could push it across because at that time it would not be motorized.

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2 **Motion was made by Commissioner Isenhour to adopt the ordinance**
3 **amending Chapter 11 – Motor Vehicles and Traffic – To Prohibit Motorized**
4 **Vehicles on Town Sidewalks and Bicycle Paths to be accompanied by a**
5 **penalty for a violation of \$100 civil citation.**

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7 **Motion was made by Commissioner Hedreen to amend the motion to**
8 **exclude electric bicycles. The Board voted 4-1 against amending the**
9 **motion, Commissioners Allen, Isenhour, Messer, Wootten opposed,**
10 **Commissioner Hedreen in favor. Motion failed.**

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12 **The Board voted on the original motion made by Commissioner Isenhour.**
13 **The Board voted unanimously 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.**

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15 **Note: A copy of Ordinance 05-06-14/O1 is incorporated herein by reference and hereby made a part**
16 **of these minutes.)**

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18 **13. NC 58 SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION – (05-06-14/R2)**

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20 Frank Rush Town Manager discussed this item with the Board. The following
21 excerpt from Mr. Rush's memo to the Board is provided for background:

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23 The Board of Commissioners is asked to approve two items pertaining to the construction of additional sidewalk along
24 the north side of NC 58. The Board is asked to approve a capital project budget ordinance amendment appropriating
25 an additional \$9,000 for this work, which would provide a total project budget of \$39,000. The Board is also asked to
26 approve the attached resolution authorizing a construction contract with Johnson Construction Company in the amount
27 of \$38,800.

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29 This project involves the construction of approximately 2,000 linear feet of new, 6 foot wide sidewalk from Mangrove
30 Drive west to the entrance of Emerald Plantation Shopping Center. As you know, the Town received a \$20,000 grant
31 from the NC Department of Transportation for this project, and previously appropriated funds for the required \$10,000
32 local match. The grant request was based on the amount of funding available through NCDOT this year, and assumed
33 a unit cost of \$15 per linear foot. The Town sought price quotes from several local concrete construction contractors
34 for this work, however, (presumably due to the heavy volume of work available now) Johnson Construction was the
35 only contractor that responded. Johnson quoted a price of \$19.40 per linear foot, which is judged to be reasonable for
36 this work, especially considering the escalating price of concrete in today's market. As you know, Johnson
37 Construction constructed the Phase I sidewalk project in 2003, and also constructed the Phase I bicycle path project
38 earlier this year. The Town has enjoyed a very good working relationship with Johnson Construction over the past few
39 years.

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41 The Board should note that although the Town's Purchasing and Contracting Policy stipulates that Board approval is
42 required for any contracts greater than \$30,000, I have already authorized work on this contract to begin and I am
43 seeking Board approval retroactive to June 6. This decision was made in an effort to complete the project as quickly
44 as possible before the busiest period of the summer season. I would like the Board to authorize the full project,
45 however, I recognize that the contract price is over budget by \$9,000 and that additional funds must be identified. If
46 the Board is not comfortable spending more than \$30,000 on this project, I recommend that the Board authorize the
47 construction of 1,540 linear feet of sidewalk from Mangrove Drive west at this time. I do not believe that the Town
48 could secure a better price quote than the \$19.40 unit cost quoted by Johnson Construction. If the Board opts to
49 complete only 1,540 linear feet, we would seek to have inmate labor complete the remaining 460 linear feet necessary
50 to reach Emerald Plantation. If the Board is comfortable completing the entire project (2,000 linear feet), I recommend
51 approval of the attached capital project budget ordinance amendment. The attached amendment appropriates an

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1 additional \$9,000 transferred from the General Fund to this project, ultimately derived from the Town's Powell Bill
2 reserve. The use of these Powell Bill reserve funds will essentially deplete the Powell Bill reserve, leaving a balance of
3 only approximately \$3,000.
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5 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Wootten to approve the Capital***
6 ***Project Ordinance Amendment for the NC 58 Sidewalk Project. The Board***
7 ***voted unanimously 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.***
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9 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Wootten to approve the Resolution***
10 ***Authorizing NC 58 Sidewalk Construction Contract. The Board voted***
11 ***unanimously 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.***
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13 **Note: A copy of Resolution 05-06-14/R2 is incorporated herein by reference and hereby made a part**
14 **of these minutes.)**
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16 **14. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PRE-POSITIONED CONTRACT FOR**
17 **HURRICANE DEBRIS REMOVAL – (05-06-14/R3)**
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19 Mitsy Overman, Assistant Town Manager / Finance Officer addressed the Board
20 concerning the pre-positioned contract for hurricane debris removal. Ms.
21 Overman noted that on April 14, bids were opened for the 2005 Debris Removal
22 Contract. Ms. Overman stated there were nine qualified bidders with Tarheel
23 Specialties, Inc. of Linden, North Carolina being the low bidder. Following
24 evaluation of the bid documents by Ms. Overman, and Barry Johnson, Johnson
25 Consulting, the determination was made that Tarheel Specialties was capable
26 and had the necessary equipment to do the job in the event of a storm.
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28 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Messer to approve the Resolution***
29 ***Authorizing Pre-Positioned Contract for Hurricane Debris Removal. The***
30 ***Board voted unanimously 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.***
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32 **Note: A copy of Resolution 05-06-14/R3 is incorporated herein by reference and hereby made a part**
33 **of these minutes.)**
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35 **15. COMMENTS FROM TOWN CLERK, TOWN ATTORNEY, AND TOWN**
36 **MANAGER**
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38 There were no comments from the Town Clerk or Town Attorney.
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40 Town Manager Frank Rush pointed out to the Board a copy of a letter provided
41 them from Mayor Schools to Linda Clay, Chairman of the Carteret County
42 Commissioners requesting \$30,000 from the County to assist the Town with the
43 operations and future projects of all of our beach accesses in Town. Mr. Rush
44 noted that the County Commissioners were having a budget workshop at the
45 same time of this meeting, and following discussion with Mayor Schools and
46 feedback from members of the Board he decided to mail the letter this morning
47 so the Board of County Commissioners could consider this request. Mr. Rush

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2 said following a request for a contribution from the County last year to go toward
3 the paving of the parking lot at Western Ocean Regional Access; the Town did
4 not receive any funding at that time. Mr. Rush felt from conversations with
5 County Commissioners that the Town may have a chance of securing funding
6 this year, and thus the request was put forward since time was of the essence.

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8 Mr. Rush provided an update regarding the status of the pumps at Deer Horn
9 Drive and Conch Court, noting the pumps were activated by the contractor and
10 they are operational.

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12 **16. COMMENTS FROM BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR**

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14 Commissioner Wootten commenting on the zoning request that is scheduled to
15 go before the Planning Board for the Bridgeview Campground that he understood
16 the Land Use Plan would first have to be modified if the rezoning is to be
17 approved. Commissioner Wootten felt if the Planning Board is going to look at
18 the Land Use Plan to amend it for any reason, that they also request the
19 Planning Board take a look at the totality of the property that is now zoned
20 commercial, Bridgeview Campground and the strip that runs into it, and in
21 addition, what he felt was an oversight in the Land Use Plan, which indicates the
22 marina area as mixed residential when in fact it is currently zoned B-3.

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24 Commissioners Allen, Hedreen, Isenhour, and Messer had no further comments.

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26 Mayor Schools thanked Kathleen Bliley for her good articles about the Town.
27 Mayor Schools also introduced the replacement for Island Review reporter Tricia
28 Morris in attendance tonight for the last time, introducing her replacement as our
29 new Island Review reporter, Janet Grainge.

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

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34 ***The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.***

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36 Respectfully submitted:

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39 Rhonda C. Ferebee
40 Town Clerk
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