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- 7. FY 13-14 Budget Projection**
 - a. General Fund**
 - b. Future Beach Nourishment Fund**
- 8. DRAFT 5-Year Capital Replacement / Improvement Program**
- 9. General Fund 5-Year Forecast**

FY 12-13 Budget Issues

- 10. Street Resurfacing**
 - a. Eastern Ocean Drive**
 - b. Other Resurfacing Needs**

Likely FY 13-14 Budget Issues

- 11. EI EMS, Inc. – Annual Update**
- 12. New Fire Engine**
- 13. New Façade for Fire Station 1 (Originally listed as Item 22 but moved forward on schedule)**
- 14. Beach Access Walkway Ratings / Replacement**
- 15. Future Purchase of Lot 1 – Shell Cove North**
- 16. Employee Compensation**

Potential Future Capital Projects

- 17. Fixed Pipe Connections – Storm Water**
 - a. Island Circle to Dolphin Ridge**
 - b. Lands End to New Fixed Pipe**
- 18. Future Bicycle Path Priorities**
- 19. Commercial Area Aesthetic Improvements**
 - a. Decorative Lighting**
 - b. New Traffic Signal Poles**
 - c. Additional Street Trees**
- 20. Potential Capital Project Debt Issue? Bond or Installment Financing?**
- 21. Blue Heron Park Playground Equipment**
- 22. New Police Station / Board Meeting Room Roof**
- 23. Community Center Expansion**

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2 **Other Issues**
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4 **24. Other Items**

- 5 a. NC 58 causeway clearing
6 b. EmeraldFest concerts
7 c. Generators for Town Buildings
8 d. Floating kayak-friendly docks
9 e. El Woods Park / Cape Emerald pier realignment
10 f. No changes planned for summer beach services

11 **25. Updates**

- 12 a. State Funding for Beach Nourishment and/or New Local Beach
13 Nourishment Funding Source
14 b. Clarification of Municipal Authority on Public Trust Beach
15 c. WAMI Grant Request – Future Emerald Isle Pier
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17 **Board Direction**
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19 **26. Board Discussion, identification of Additional Priorities, Concerns,
20 Etc.**
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22 Following the discussion of each agenda item with the Town Manager, and
23 Departments heads, the Town Board provided their feedback and outlined their
24 priorities for the upcoming year.
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26 Town Manager Rush summarized the Boards direction given for formulating the
27 FY 13-14 budget to include:
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- 29 • Strive to maintain current General Fund tax rate of 11.5 cents for all
30 continuing operations (not including a potential capital project package).
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32 • Consider a "community improvements package" of various capital projects
33 that could be financed over a 10-year period with annual debt service
34 payments equal to the amount generated by a 1 cent tax rate increase.
35 Include the completion of storm water pipe on Coast Guard Road and in
36 Lands End, the full completion of the Coast Guard Road bicycle path, the
37 full completion of the NC 58 bike path, and other smaller beneficial
38 projects intended to benefit different areas / groups in the
39 community. Town Manager Rush will present different packages of
40 projects for Board review at the March and/or April meetings in order to
41 educate the taxpayers about this idea and help the Board gauge the level
42 of public support for this idea.
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- Utilize FY 12-13 and FY 13-14 Powell Bill revenues to resurface the entire length of Ocean Drive from 1st St. to 25th St. in fall 2013. Public Works to complete drainage improvements prior to resurfacing.
- As of December 2012, change in CPI is 1.7%. Assuming no significant change between now and March, plan on a 2% cost-of-living salary adjustment for Town employees.
- Proceed with plans to replace 1988 Fire engine in FY 13-14 budget.
- Develop staggered ambulance / QRV replacement schedule for Emerald Isle EMS to "level out" major capital replacement costs in the future.
- Continue to replace at least 2 beach access walkways in FY 13-14, and more if funds permit.
- Potentially consider the following items for inclusion in "community improvements package" of capital projects:
 - Blue Heron Park playground equipment, and perhaps small equipment for playground at boat ramp
 - Additional beach access walkway replacements in the center of town
 - Community Center expansion
 - Downtown street lighting up-front cost
 - Fire Station façade improvements
 - Additional bike path segment on NC 58 from Coast Guard Road to base of bridge, including small park area
- Work with NCDOT on potential future installation of new traffic signal poles - cost too great for Town funding.
- Investigate potential implementation of vehicle license fee for Emerald Isle vehicles, with proceeds used for street resurfacing needs.
- Consider fee increase for Community Center memberships, usage, etc.

(Detailed backup information for all items are attached to and, incorporated into these minutes.)

The Recommended Budget will be presented to the Board on May 14, 2013 after which the Board will meet to review and adjust as necessary or desired.

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Closed Session

**27. Closed Session Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(6) To Discuss a
Personnel Matter**

***Motion was made by Commissioner Messer to enter Closed Session. The
Board voted unanimously 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.***

***Motion was made by Commissioner Hedreen to return to Open Session.
The Board voted unanimously 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.***

The Board took no action following the Closed Session.

Adjourn

***Motion was made by Commissioner Wright to adjourn. The Board voted
unanimously 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.***

The meeting was adjourned at 12:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Rhonda C. Ferebee, CMC
Town Clerk