

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 23, 2018
TED C. COLLINS LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER**

ALL FOIA REQUIREMENTS WERE MET.

CALL TO ORDER.....Mayor Brenda Bethune
Roll Call.

Present: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Gregg Smith, Philip Render, Mike Lowder, Jackie Vereen, Mary Jeffcoat.

INVOCATION.....:.....Councilman Chestnut
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.....Councilwoman Vereen

APPROVAL OF AGENDA.....
Mr. Pedersen reviewed the Agendas:

CONSENT AGENDA:

MOVE TO REGULAR AGENDA:

Motion M2017-136 Appointments to Community Appearance Board.

Motion M2018-15 Appointment to Myrtle Beach Air Base Redevelopment Authority

APPOINT/REAPPOINT:

Motion M2017-142 Appoint Jeffrey Wisniewski to the Recreation Advisory Committee

Motion M2018-11 Appoint Heather Fletcher to the Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee

Motion M2018-12 Appoint Philip Render to the Ocean View Memorial Foundation


REGULAR AGENDA:

MOVE TO CONSENT AGENDA:

Ordinance 2017-59 Agreement between City and GDMB Development LLC

Ordinance 2017-61 Amend Grande Dunes PUD Signage and Graphic Manual


Ordinance 2018-1 Adopt amendment to Grande Dunes PUD

 **Motion:** Motion to approve the Agendas as amended, Action: Approve, Moved by Mike Lowder, Seconded by Philip Render.

 **Vote:** Motion carried (summary: Yes = 7).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Gregg Smith, Philip Render, Mike Lowder, Jackie Vereen, Mary Jeffcoat.

APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP MINUTES.....January 9, 2018

 **Motion:** Motion to approve the Workshop Minutes of January 9, 2018 as presented,
Action: Approve, **Moved by** Michael Chestnut, **Seconded by** Mary Jeffcoat.

 **Vote:** Motion carried (summary: Yes = 7).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Gregg Smith, Philip Render, Mike Lowder, Jackie Vereen, Mary Jeffcoat.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES.....January 9, 2018

 **Motion:** Motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2018 as presented., **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Philip Render, **Seconded by** Jackie Vereen

 **Vote:** Motion carried (summary: Yes = 7).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Gregg Smith, Philip Render, Mike Lowder, Jackie Vereen, Mary Jeffcoat.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS FROM PUBLIC.....30 Minute Time Limit

Bennie Swan Thanked the city for support of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration; spoke on behalf of the Pastor of the Mount Olive AME Church asking the city to be part of a partnership to address the opioid problem and community gun violence.

John S. Pruett Spoke to Eminent Domain and taking of private property. Asked that Council recind the power given to City Manager and City Attorney regarding this. (Mr. Pedersen advised that the power given was never to be used unless brought back before Council.)

Anthony Caldo Closing business and moving out. Asked council do something with the empty Chic Filet building on Kings Hwy. Thank former and current council for giving police the raise.

Drew Food trucks Asked if kitchens outside city limits can operate

John Bonsignor Grand Strand Opera Workshop Would like liaison with Council and build relationship with PD, cops kids and community

PUBLIC REQUESTS, PRESENTATIONS, AWARDS, MEMORIALS:

1. Recognize former Mayor John Rhodes and Council Members Wayne Gray and Randal Wallace

Mark Kruea presented Councilman Wallace two pictures of his Dad made by Jack Thompson. Mr. Wallace served on City Council 2002 to 2018

Councilman Wallace thanked everyone

Mark Kruea presented Councilman Gray with two pictures of city landmarks from Jack Thompson. Mr. Gray served on Council 1998-2002 2002-2018.

Councilman Gray stated it has been an honor and privilege to have served the city.

Mark Kruea presented Mayor Rhodes with a portrait of Savannah's Playground and State Award for 2017. Mayor Rhodes served from 2006 -2018.

Mayor Rhodes thanked everyone and thanked those he worked with. Wished Council well as they go forward.

2. Recognize Miles Washington, Christian Academy of Myrtle Beach, winner of Gold in the 100 yard Men's Freestyle in the SCISA State meet. (mtg)

Mark Kruea presented Miles Washington with a plaque. He also placed 2nd in butterfly event at the same event.

3. Presentation – Dr. Marilyn Fore, President, Horry Georgetown Technical College

Dr. Fore thanked Council for the work they do. Asking for consideration of pilot project to help citizens and economic development. It's a partnership that comes on the approach of Council Members Render and Chestnut and a visit of Goodwill of Charleston – TRAIN TO WORK MYRTLE BEACH. Offers short term training to eligible participants to give skill to enter the workplace. Hope city will support this program. Short Term training is listed in the attached proposal 48 to 100 hours of instruction. Package deal – train in skills, Ask Council to join. Goodwill has been very successful in Charleston program and they have asked GHTC to join. Proposal is given for city consideration for funding; ask city to consider an amount that would get this program off for one year launching April 1st. School will provide instruction and counseling support and soft skills.

Council Members Render and Chestnut spoke in support of this citing the need for a program of this nature.

Councilwoman Jeffcoat asked where training would take place. Dr. Fore stated in can be taught in different campus locations. Seed money will be used for transportation.

4. Public Information Update – PIO Staff/Police (mtg)

Kacey Vrettos spoke to past, present and future events.

Chief Amy Prock – Spoke on technology being used by the department:

CONSENT AGENDA

1st Reading Ordinance 2018-3 An ordinance to extend the corporate limits of the City of Myrtle Beach by annexing 0.53 acres located at 9327 Cove Dr (Horry County Pin #394-06-01-0006), and rezone said property from Horry County SF 10 (Single Family Residential) to City of Myrtle Beach R15 (Single Family Residential).


APPROVED

Resolution **R2018-4** allowing horses to be ridden on the beach during the American Heart Association Ride-A-Thon on November 3, 2018.

APPROVED

Motion **M2017-136** to appoint/reappoint 4 members to the Community Appearance Board. The terms of Ben A. Page, Brown Bethune, Mayur Jeram terminated December 31, 2017. The term of Jackie D. Vereen will terminate December 31, 2020. Ben A. Page does not wish to be reappointed. Brown Bethune and Jackie D. Vereen have resigned to avoid any conflict of interest. Mayur Jeram wishes to continue. We have 12 applicants.

MOVED TO REGULAR AGENDA – The following action was taken:

 **Motion:** Motion to appoint Seth McCoy, Joe Jumper and Sherri Gray to the Community Appearance Board, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Lowder, **Seconded by** Michael Chestnut.

 **Vote:** Motion carried (summary: Yes = 7).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Gregg Smith, Philip Render, Mike Lowder, Jackie Vereen, Mary Jeffcoat.

Motion **M2017-142** to appoint one member to the Recreation Advisory Committee to replace Casey Dornhecker who has resigned. This term will expire 2/14/20. We have one resume.

APPOINTED JEFFREY WISNIEWSKI

Motion **M2018-10** to approve a Special Event Permit to PJ Bernacki/Steve Taylor, Native Sons, for the "Myrtle Beach Jeep Jam" to be held at the former Myrtle Square Mall Site April 13-15, 2018 from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm on April 13th and 14th and 9:00 am to 1:00 pm on Sunday, April 15, 2018. The inaugural event will be a celebration of Jeep Culture, held in the heart of Myrtle Beach and will feature a Jeep obstacle course, vendors, Jeep show, and various small activities throughout the event site. The City Manager is authorized to make changes to these plans as he deems necessary in keeping with the nature of the event and as circumstances dictate.

APPROVED

Motion **M2018-11** to appoint one member to the Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee to replace Kathy Johnson, who has resigned. This term will expire 8/26/18.

APPOINTED HEATHER FLETCHER

Motion **M2018-12** to appoint one member to the Ocean View Memorial Foundation for a 4 year term. The term of John Rhodes expired January 14, 2018.

APPOINTED COUNCILMAN PHILIP RENDER

Motion **M2018-13** to allocate \$12,500 to participate in a study of the regional heroin, opioid epidemic.

APPROVED

Motion **M2018-14** to appoint one member to the Hall of Fame to replace Randal Wallace.

APPROVED REAPPOINTMENT OF RANDAL WALLACE

Motion **M2018-15** to appoint one member to the Myrtle Beach Air Base Redevelopment Authority to replace Gen. Robert H. Reed. This term will expire June 30, 2018.

MOVED TO REGULAR AGENDA – The following action was taken.

Councilwoman Jeffcoat recused herself.

 **Motion:** Motion to continue, **Action:** Continue, **Moved by** Philip Render, **Seconded by** Mike Lowder.

 **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 6, No = 0, Recuse = 1).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Gregg Smith, Philip Render, Mike Lowder, Jackie Vereen.

Recuse: Mary Jeffcoat.

Motion **M2018-17** to approve a Special Event Permit to the City of Myrtle Beach Recreation Department/Linda Hopkinson for the “5k for Health” to be held at Plyler Park, Myrtle Beach Boardwalk & Beach, February 17, 2018 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. This event has been held for the past several years and it features a 5k run/walk along the boardwalk and beach between 14th Ave N and 3rd Ave S attracting approximately 500 participants. The City Manager is authorized to make changes to these plans as he deems necessary in keeping with the nature of the event and as circumstances dictate.

APPROVED

REGULAR AGENDA

2nd Reading **Ordinance 2017-59** An ordinance to approve an agreement and contract between the ~~South Carolina Department of Transportation~~, City of Myrtle Beach and GDMB Development LLC for the maintenance of certain portions of Highway 17 Bypass.

MOVE TO CONSENT AGENDA TO ADOPT

2nd Reading **Ordinance 2017-61** An ordinance to amend the Grande Dunes Planned Unit Development Ordinance 20000111-2 to include a new Appendix B-1 Signage and Graphic Manual.


MOVE TO CONSENT AGENDA TO ADOPT

2nd Reading **Ordinance 2018-1** An ordinance to adopt that certain first amendment to the Grande Dunes Development Agreement relating to the amended signage and graphics manual approved in 2017-61.Development Agreement.


MOVE TO CONSENT AGENDA TO ADOPT


1st Reading **Ordinance 2017-60** An ordinance to create a Planned Unit Development known as Osceola Street PUD Planned Unit Development.

 **Motion:** Motion to deny., **Action:** Deny, **Moved by** Michael Chestnut, **Seconded by** Mary Jeffcoat.


 **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 5, No = 2, Recuse = 0).
Yes: Michael Chestnut, Philip Render, Mike Lowder, Gregg Smith, Mary Jeffcoat.
No: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Jackie Vereen.


1ST Reading **Ordinance 2018-2** An ordinance to amend Section 1306.G of Appendix A, Zoning to remove location-based restrictions on Mobile Diagnostic Units.
Councilman Render recused himself.

 **Motion:** Motion to approve 1st reading, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Lowder, **Seconded by** Jackie Vereen.


 **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 6, No = 0, Recuse = 1).
Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Gregg Smith, Mike Lowder, Jackie Vereen, Mary Jeffcoat.
Recuse: Philip Render.


1st Reading **Ordinance 2018-4** An ordinance to amend the Arbor Glen Planned Unit Development Ordinance to include a new Exhibit 8 (Signage) and add details for the vegetated berm and fence required along PUD boundaries.

 **Motion:** Motion to approve 1st Reading , **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Lowder, **Seconded by** Mary Jeffcoat.


 **Vote:** Motion carried (**summary:** Yes = 7).
Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Gregg Smith, Philip Render, Mike Lowder, Jackie Vereen, Mary Jeffcoat.

1st Reading **Ordinance 2018-5** An ordinance to authorize encroachments into future public rights-of-way of Arbor Glen PUD, specifically Celestial Way and Eclipse Drive with 68 sq ft of signage, and approximately 1,960 sq ft encroachment in the traffic circle of Celestial Way that includes a water feature, signage and sign structure to be maintained by the applicant.

 **Motion:** Motion to approve 1st 'Reading, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Lowder, **Seconded by** Jackie Vereen

 **Vote:** Motion carried (**summary:** Yes = 7).
Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Gregg Smith, Philip Render, Mike Lowder, Jackie Vereen, Mary Jeffcoat.

1st Reading **Ordinance 2018-6** An ordinance to create a planned unit development known as Lakeview Villas Planned Unit Development.

 Denise Boswell potential buyer does not support short term rental.


 **Motion:** Motion to approve 1st Reading, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Michael Chestnut, **Seconded by** Wayne Gray.

 **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 5, No = 2, Recuse = 0).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen, Mary Jeffcoat.

No: Philip Render, Mike Lowder.


Resolution **R2018-7** to update information in R2015-19 Offshore Drilling and Exploration for Gas and Oil, and to reaffirm the city's opposition opposing off shore drilling and exploration for gas and oil.


 **Motion:** Motion to adopt, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Lowder, **Seconded by** Gregg Smith.


 **Vote:** Motion carried (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Gregg Smith, Philip Render, Mike Lowder, Jackie Vereen, Mary Jeffcoat.

Resolution **R2018-8** Resolution amending Resolution 2018-02 setting forth the City Council's plans to enhance public safety services provided to residents and guests of the City of Myrtle Beach by adding the "Downtown Code Enforcement and property maintenance initiative".

 delete during season

 **Motion:** Motion to adopt as amended to remove the words "during season", **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Philip Render, **Seconded by** Mary Jeffcoat.

 **Vote:** Motion carried (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Gregg Smith, Philip Render, Mike Lowder, Jackie Vereen, Mary Jeffcoat.

Motion **M2018-18** to declare certain vehicles abandoned or derelict pursuant to the authority of Article 41 of Title 56 South Carolina Code of Laws 2001. Memo dated January 17, 2018 shows 14 vehicles.

No one appeared.

 **Motion:** Motion to declare, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Lowder, **Seconded by** Michael Chestnut.


 **Vote:** Motion carried (**summary:** Yes = 7).


Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Gregg Smith, Philip Render, Mike Lowder, Jackie Vereen, Mary Jeffcoat.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

Ed Cary Thanked former Mayor Rhodes and former Council Members Wayne Gray and Randal Wallace for their service

Confused about the theater comments

 Pedersen – University asked city to take lead in costing out the facility. This will come under the purview of the DRC. Classroom space for CCU

 EC asked about the facility the city talked about for a performing art center.

Asked if performing arts center still on the table.

Councilman Chestnut stated no decision made

ADJOURNMENT 4:45 pm

ATTEST:

BRENDA BETHUNE, MAYOR

JOAN GROVE, CITY CLERK