



Town of Beaufort, NC

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Town of Beaufort Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting 6:00 PM Monday, November 09, 2020 - Zoom Meeting - Covid-19 Pandemic Monthly Meeting

Call to Order

Roll Call

Agenda Approval

Minutes Approval

Calendar

Public Comment

Manager Report

Items of Consent

1. 2021 BOC Meeting Dates
2. Draft Minutes for the Sept. 28 Work Session & Oct. 12, 2020 Regular Meeting
3. Voluntary Annexation Request for 186 Chadwick Road (Alan Scibal) and 190 Chadwick Road (Sharon Eck)

Public Hearing

1. Case #20-12 Special Use Permit for a Kennel, Indoor/Outdoor Operation for 102 Professional Park Drive & 1975 Live Oak Street

Items for Discussion and Consideration

1. Cedar Street Utility Rehabilitation and Replacement
Budget Amendment and Bid Award
2. Homer Smith Marina Covenant Amendment
3. Noise Ordinance Revisions

[4.](#) Sewer Allocation Policy

[5.](#) Bailey v. the Town of Beaufort, et. al, 19 CVS 311

Mayor/Commission Comments

Adjourn

Proposed 2021 BOC Meeting Schedule

There is one conflict on Dec. 27, 2021 as Town Hall is closed for the Christmas holiday.

January

Regular Meeting: 6 p.m. Jan. 11

Work Session: 4 p.m. Jan. 25

February

Regular Meeting: 6 p.m. Feb. 8

Work Session: 4 p.m. Feb. 22

March

Regular Meeting: 6 p.m. March 8

Work Session: 4 p.m. March 22

April

Regular Meeting: 6 p.m. April 12

Work Session: 4 p.m. April 26

May

Regular Meeting: 6 p.m. May 10

Work Session: 4 p.m. May 24

June

Regular Meeting: 6 p.m. June 14

Work Session: 4 p.m. June 28

July

Regular Meeting: 6 p.m. July 12

Work Session: 4 p.m. July 26

August

Regular Meeting: 6 p.m. Aug. 9

Work Session: 4 p.m. Aug. 23

September

Regular Meeting: 6 p.m. Sept. 13

Work Session: 4 p.m. Sept. 27

October

Regular Meeting: 6 p.m. Oct. 11

Work Session: 4 p.m. Oct. 25

November

Regular Meeting: 6 p.m. Nov. 8

Work Session: 4 p.m. Nov. 22

December

Regular Meeting: 6 p.m. Dec. 13

Work Session: 4 p.m. Dec. 20



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**Town of Beaufort Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
6:00 PM Monday, Nov. 9, 2020 – Zoom Meeting due to COVID19 Pandemic**

AGENDA CATEGORY: Consent
SUBJECT: Draft Minutes for the Sept. 28 Work Session & Oct. 12, 2020 Regular Meeting

BRIEF SUMMARY:
Draft minutes for the Sept. 28 Work Session & Oct. 12, 2020 Regular Meeting

REQUESTED ACTION:
Approve minutes as presented or amended.

EXPECTED LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:
2 minutes

SUBMITTED BY:
Rachel Johnson, Deputy Clerk
Oct. 12 Minutes prepared by Kate Allen, Town Planner

BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED:
No



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**Town of Beaufort Board of Commissioners Work Session Meeting
4:00 PM Monday, September 28, 2020 - Held Electronically Through Zoom Due to COVID19
Pandemic
Minutes**

Call To Order

Mayor Newton called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Mayor Newton called roll and declared a quorum present for the meeting.

PRESENT

- Mayor Everette Newton
- Commissioner Sharon Harker
- Commissioner Charles McDonald
- Commissioner Ann Carter
- Commissioner Marianna Hollinshed
- Commissioner John Hagle

AGENDA APPROVAL

A motion was made to amend the agenda by removing the Closed Session and then approve.

Motion made by Commissioner Hagle.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Hollinshed, Commissioner Hagle

Public Comment

No public comments were made.

Project Updates

Town Engineer Sam Bell gave an update on the projects taking place.

Randolph Johnson Park--The final building inspection has been completed and the splash pad training will take place this week. All items should be finalized within the next two weeks.

Cedar Street Park--The design is 25% complete.

Topsail Park--Notice of Award of contract has been given and work should begin in a couple of weeks.

Street Paving Projects--Several streets in town have received the second layer of asphalt. There are some streets scheduled for milling to begin in the near future.

Turner Street Improvements--The contractor has been selected and anticipating construction to begin in mid October. Engineer Bell also spoke about some expansion options available for the project. There was discussion about having an additional crosswalk installed along Turner Street in front of Beaufort Historic Association (BHA). The project also includes a dedicated loading/unloading area for delivery trucks. The proposed spot is located along the Baptist Church parking lot. Some discussion was considered as to moving that proposed location to further down Turner Street closer to the Royal James Cafe. Board members also asked staff to please consider raised crosswalks for Turner Street.

Cedar Street Water and Sewer Repairs--Bids should be received by the end of next month.

WWTP Sludge Processing Building--The sanding and painting has been completed. The contractor did leave extra paint so the building maintenance can be handled by town workers. The completed work should last approximately 8 to 10 years.

First Street Culverts/Location of Future Beaufort Dental building--Mr. Bell reported the award and contract documents had been sent out for signatures. He also reported the property owners had agreed to some cost sharing for the moving of the lines. Town Manager Day indicated the lines were being moved from the middle of the property to along the edge of the street.

Town Hall renovations--Public Works employees are renovating the lobby area (Pollock Street)to include a security door and larger lobby area. The project is anticipated to take a couple of more weeks.

Commissioner Hollinshed asked for consideration to please be given to allowing people into the building when needing to deliver something or drop off something spur of the moment. Town Manager Day indicated signage would be prepared to address being able to drop off items.

Commissioner McDonald asked about the paving on Professional Park Drive and why some of the driveways had been taken out along the businesses on the Hwy 70 side. Town Engineer Bell indicated he would check and get back with additional information. Town Manager Day indicated those were areas needing repairs. Commissioner McDonald asked if those repairs to driveways was built into the cost of the project.

Commissioner Carter expressed the concern over the sludge building and the need to keep a maintenance plan going.

Commissioner Harker asked about the cost sharing for the relocation of the storm drain. Town Manager Day indicated the cost sharing was 50/50.

Commissioner Hagle asked for staff to please notify citizens of the next streets to be repaved. Town Manager Day indicated that would be done.

Mayor Newton asked for a confirmation if the Compass Hotel construction was scheduled for January time

frame and if NCDOT would also be doing the storm water work. This was confirmed for the Mayor.

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Items for Discussion and Consideration

1. Renewal of Permit for Hungry Town Tours

Town Clerk Davis reported the Public Hearing had been held during the September 14, 2020 regular meeting with the comment period being held open an additional 24 hours due to the COVID19 pandemic. She reported no comments were made during the meeting nor during the 24 hour time limit. She reminded the board members the renewal of the permit will be for two years.

A motion was made to approve the renewal of the permit for Hungry Town Tours.

Motion made by Commissioner Hagle.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Hollinshed, Commissioner Hagle

2. Draft Minutes for the August 24, 2020 Work Session and the September 14, 2020 Regular Meeting

This item was placed on the agenda under Items of Consent.

3. Upcoming Events and Activities

Mayor Newton indicated he would like to briefly review proposed upcoming events to be held in town. Some of those events are :

Halloween, Lions Club Bridge Run-Nov. 7, Pirate Invasion-Nov 21, Santa House/Tree Lighting-John Newton Park, Christmas Parade, Flotilla, New Years Eve-Pirate Drop and a late breaking plan for an ECHS Fishing Tournament.

Mayor Newton indicated he knew Halloween was not a town sponsored event, but he did express concern over large gatherings that might take place. He asked for the board to please give considerations on what should possibly happen in order to keep everyone safe.

PIO/Special Events Coordinator Rachel Johnson asked for the board to please give consideration to the Lions Club and Pirate Invasion since those plans needed to be finalized in the near future.

Commissioner Hollinshed asked for the organizers to please select one set time for the firing of the cannon and not have it at two or more times. She indicated the firing was disruptive, bothered pets and scared some children. Commissioner McDonald indicated he did not see a reason to limit the firing of the cannon.

Commissioner Carter asked how the Pirate Invasion organizers proposed to promote crowd control and social distancing. Ms. Johnson indicated the re-enactors will help with the monitoring.

Commissioner Harker asked if the cannon firing was overkill for the event. Ms. Johnson indicated during a normal invasion weekend the cannon would be fired on the main day of the event at the top of every hour. Ms. Johnson confirmed the current request was a reduction in the firing of the cannon. Commissioner Harker commented it was still Flu season and COVID19 was active. She asked how protection will be addressed. She also indicated she would like further information from the organizers.

Commissioner Hagle indicated the run was all outside and did not see any issues with giving a preliminary approval. He also indicated he did not have a problem with the number of times the cannon is to be fired.

Mayor Newton indicated he was hearing the board giving preliminary approval for the Lions Club 5K run and the board was asking for more information from the Pirate Invasion organizers.

Motion made by Commissioner Hagle.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Hollinshed, Commissioner Hagle

4. Resolution Amending the Personnel Policy Chapter 4 Employment Section B Compensation Item 6 Salary Changes Promotions

Town Clerk/Human Resources Officer Michele Davis gave the following report.

A recent evaluation of the salary/grades and promotions has revealed a discrepancy in the Personnel Policy and the Salary/Grade Schedule. The Salary/Grade Schedule is based on a 5% increase between each Grade level. The Personnel Policy indicates employees promoted should be given a 10% pay increase which is not in line with the Salary/Grade Schedule. Staff is requesting to remove the 10% and change it to 5%.

This item was placed on the agenda under Items of Consent.

5. Appointments to Historic Preservation Commission, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and Board of Adjustment

Town Clerk Davis gave the following report.

The Town of Beaufort has the following vacancies on the Historic Preservation Commission, Board of Adjustment and Parks and Recreation Advisory Board:

HPC—one position to fill an unexpired term ending in January 2021

BOA—one position for an in-town alternate unexpired term ending in January 2022

P&R—three positions for three-year terms

She reported the three current members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board whose terms are ending September 30, 2020 have applied for reappointment.

6. August Financial Report/Notes

Finance Director Wood indicated she did not have any specific concerns for the August financial report.

Commissioner Hagle indicated it was good to see the revenues for Building Permits was two times higher this year than last year.

7. Capital Reserve Fund Amendment #4

Finance Director Wood gave the following report.

This amendment receives funds in the Capital Reserve Fund that are budgeted in FY 21 General Fund annual budget (\$185,000- Future Capital Outlay for Street Project). It also, receives funds in the Capital Reserve Fund that are budgeted in the FY 21 Utility Fund annual budget (\$350,000 Future Capital Outlay for Utility Line Project).

This item was placed on the agenda under Items of Consent.

8. Capital Project- Community Improvement Projects Budget Amendment #1

Finance Director Christi Wood gave the following report.

This amendment requests the appropriation of donations (\$12,640) and recreation fees (\$5,912) for the Capital Project – Community Improvement Projects.

Commissioner Hollinshed asked the nature of the specific projects. Ms. Wood indicated this fund was for Randolph Johnson Park and Cedar Street Park. Town Manager Day indicated these were revenues coming into the fund from donations and fees paid by developers Recreation Fees. Commissioner Hollinshed stated Community Improvements Projects was nebulous and asked if they funds were for specific items in the parks. Specific features such as the frog, flowers and other smaller items were identified by Rachel Johnson.

Commissioner Harker asked about this not being presented in the traditional monthly report. Ms. Wood indicated this was Fund 64 for Capital Projects and indicated Capital Project accounts were not part of the monthly reports.

Commissioner Hagle suggested to change the title of the account from Community Improvements Projects to Parks.

This item was placed on the agenda under Items of Consent.

9. Turner Street 100 Block Pedestrian Improvements

Town Engineer Sam Bell provided the following report.

Construction of the Turner Street 100 Block Pedestrian Improvements project is currently expected to begin mid-October. The construction work was awarded to Sunland Builders, Inc. on March 6, 2020; however, the contractor was asked to delay the start of work until after Labor Day per the desire of the Board of Commissioners. During this timeframe, Town Staff in conjunction with the consulting firm of Stewart examined the possibility of incorporating one or more crosswalks into the project. This examination has yielded two sets of proposed improvements. One improvement would mirror a crosswalk option presented by Stewart from their palette of options. The other would involve reworking a portion of the sidewalk at the north end of the current project along with an existing ramp.

Attached is a memorandum that summarizes the additional work being proposed. It is accompanied by a cost estimate plus graphics illustrating the proposed work. The estimate places the cost for constructing both sets of improvements at \$40,900 to include a 15 percent contingency. This expense if authorized would of course, be in addition to the current \$152,694 contract amount for the "baseline" work.

On possible extension of the project is the extension of the crosswalk across to Middle Lane and adding some bike racks. The second possible extension to the project is to make the crosswalk on the north side of the 100 block close to the BHA grounds ADA compliant. He continued by saying consideration is also being given to creating a loading/unloading zone to the area in front of the Baptist Church parking lot.

Town Manager Day reported there was interest from the businesses to create the loading/unloading area. Additionally, since there is such a grade of slope at the Royal James Cafe that crosswalk would require a zigzag type walkway for ADA compliance; in addition to the crosswalk at the northern end needs to be made ADA compliant.

Concerns were expressed by the commissioners about the proposed location of the loading/unloading zone and whether or not it could be moved further south. Commissioner Carter asked staff to please talk with the BHA about the crosswalk and their thoughts for what might be needed. Town Manger Day indicated a bump out could be considered for the crosswalk at the northern end. Mr. Bell indicated consideration could be given to a raised crosswalk like on Front Street.

Town Manager Day asked if the board members were okay with adding the additional costs to the budget amendment to include the crosswalks.

Commissioner Hagle asked about the bump out next to Middle Lane. He stated Middle Lane is used quite a bit and there is not really an existing sidewalk there but something more similar to a path next to the three foot wall in the bank parking lot. In response to a question regarding the width of the bump out, Mr. Bell confirmed it would not go any further into the street than the parking spaces.

Commissioner Hollinshed stated she liked the idea of the crosswalk be more visible in the area. She asked how many parking spaces may be lost with the improvements. Mr. Bell indicated the ramp at the Royal James Cafe would become steps and there would be a small wall all the way down the sidewalk. He confirmed the number of possible spaces lost would be three. She also

asked about possibly moving the steps just a bit at the Royal James then the loading area could be accommodated. Town Manager Day indicated staff would look at the area to see what could be tweaked.

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Commissioner Harker asked about reassigning the loading and whether or not the business owners are on board with losing parking in front of their establishment. Additionally she commented more congestion made be created with larger trucks to park. She expressed concern over two way traffic in the area of the Royal James Cafe. Mr. Bell indicated the crosswalk would be a pinch point, but it should not extend any further than the parking area. Commissioner Harker asked if bump outs would also be located on each side of the crosswalk closest to the BHA grounds. Mr. Bell indicated he would explore an additional bump out in the area.

Commissioner Hagle indicated he felt the raised crosswalk and the bump outs will be a good addition to the project. Town Manager Day indicated staff would make the changes in the proposed budget amendment.

This item was placed on the agenda under Items for Discussion and Consideration.

10. Cedar Street Park/Homer Smith Marina

Town Manager Day gave the following report.

At the August regular meeting the Board discussed a request from Homer Smith Marina for the town to support NCDOT abandoning 19,409 square feet of ROW, which would be used for parking needed for an expansion of the marina. In exchange, the owner offered to contribute \$75,000 toward the construction of the restroom/kiosk at the new Cedar Street Park. A concept plan for the park showing the parking lot design at Homer Smith Seafood and the marina expansion is attached.

Commissioners expressed concerns about the desire for visible separation between marina parking from Cedar Street Park parking, marina patrons parking in the Cedar Street Park lot, and the amount of the contribution.

The Board directed staff to meet with Homer Smith Marina representatives to address these concerns and report back on how the concerns might be mitigated.

Homer Smith Marina desires to expand from 85 to 178 slips and replace the fish house with a clubhouse for marina patrons. Of the 178 slips, 4 will be reserved for fueling and pump-out, and 33 for transient boaters, with construction of the latter funded through a Boating Infrastructure Grant (Homer Smith representatives wish to note that transient and fueling/pump-out slips will not generate parking traffic).

Obtaining the previously requested 19,409 square feet of ROW from the NCDOT will provide enough space to exceed the Town's parking requirements for marinas.

To address concerns raised by Board members at the August regular meeting, Homer Smith Marina agrees to the following:

Marina patrons will be required to adhere a marina parking decal to their vehicle, making any marina patrons parking in the Cedar Street Parking lot identifiable.

Homer Smith Marina will construct a vegetative buffer between its parking lot and the Cedar Street Park parking lot that exceeds the Town's requirements, and also construct a fence (see attachment: Homer Smith Parking Detail – Vegetative Buffer).

Homer Smith Marina is willing to place a gate at the proposed west parking lot entrance. The gate would be locked and only accessible to fire, police, trash removal service, and large delivery vehicles. Town staff believe two entrances to the marina parking lot are necessary.

Homer Smith Marina is willing to donate \$125,000 for the construction of a restroom/kiosk building at the Cedar Street Park.

Other Related Matters

In addition to obtaining the 19,409 square feet of ROW from the NCDOT, there are a number of other requirements that Homer Smith Marina must fulfill before the expansion may proceed:

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Obtaining a CAMA Major permit

Obtaining site plan approval from the Town

Obtaining proper building permits

Reaching agreement with the Board of Commissioners to amend the 2012 covenant with the Town limiting the total number of boat slips from 85 to 178.

Commissioner Hollinshed indicated she appreciated the offer being increased for the restroom facility. She also stated if she was a patron of the marina she would not put the decal on her vehicle if she wanted to park in the spaces for Cedar Street Park. Additionally, she expressed concern over expanding the marina 100%. Town Manager Day indicated the facility at RJP was approximately \$350K which is considerably larger than will be needed for Cedar Street Park. He indicated an estimate for the restroom/kiosk was approximately \$125K including the infrastructure. The decal will be required to park in the marina parking area. Town Manager Day indicated the increase in spaces was entirely at board discretion because of the covenant agreement.

Commissioner Carter stated boaters will also have visitors in their own personal cars parking in the park spaces. She expressed concern over the increase in boat slips and the pier head line. Town Manager Day indicated Ron Cullipher was available to answer questions.

Mr. Cullipher indicated the expansion is in terms of slips and not in terms of the area of the marina. He indicated the proposed changes are all still inside of the first proposed. He indicated the difference in the number of slips was due to fewer larger boats needing 50 foot to 70 foot slips but the market has been for the small size boats. Mr. Cullipher indicated if the proposed design is approved, then developer will have more than the required parking spaces. He did state the proposal for the site plan would have to come back to the Planning Board and the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Harker asked about patrolling the area and whether or not signage will be needed for no marina parking. She asked about making some of the slips being made public. Town Manager Day indicated there were some transient slips that could be used possibly by the public.

Commissioner Hagle indicated he had all of the same concerns as the other commissioners regarding parking and the expansion of the number of slips. He indicated he believed the gate across the one driveway would be a good discouragement. In response to a question regarding the vegetative buffer, Mr. Cullipher indicated it would be up to where the power lines are located.

Mayor Newton indicated the marina was extremely busy this past summer. He asked the commissioners take this incrementally and see how the parking lot will accommodate the current number of slips and get some traction on the hotel. He indicated an increase in the slips could be catastrophic in the area. Commissioner Hagle indicated he agreed with the suggestion.

Commissioner Carter expressed concern over the developer paying for the increased parking area and then not getting the boat slips. Mr. Cullipher indicated it would be an issue for the developer since the additional slips would not make the funding for the additional parking feasible. Mr. Cullipher indicated the western most end of the parking area being 57 stone over fabric.

Town Manager Day asked if it was possible for the slips and parking to be phased in construction. Mr. Cullipher indicated he was not sure if that could be completed. He also suggested the town could consider increasing the parking in the park proposal. Town Manager Day indicated that could be considered but the town was trying to use only the current pavement.

This item was placed on the agenda under Items for Discussion and Consideration.

11. Noise Ordinance Revisions

Town Manager Day gave the following report.

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At the July 27 Work Session the Board discussed the current noise ordinance and the possible need to revise it. There appeared to be consensus for staff to review noise ordinances in other local governments and make a recommendation after such review.

Such a review has taken place, and it was found that Beaufort’s noise ordinance is very similar to those used by other local governments. However, the recently adopted noise ordinance in Wilmington provides the police department with needed flexibility for reasonable enforcement. A revised noise ordinance based on the Wilmington ordinance is provided for review and consideration.

Commissioner Hollinshed indicated church bells should be considered before 8 am since some of the local churches do so before 8 am. Additionally, some people like to mow their lawns early mornings during the summer so please consider changing that to 7:45 am. She also commented on 91.09 Item D regarding Town Manager and or Police Chief allowing for extending activity for more than one hour should be removed since neither live in town. She also commented the absentee owner responsibility needed to be tweaked. She commented it is a good start. Town Manager Day indicated he would defer to the Town Attorney on the absentee owner responsibility. Town Attorney Grady indicated it would be hard to enforce and or charge criminally but easier to do with civil penalty or fine.

Commissioner McDonald asked how it could be enforced if not checked by a decibel meter. Town Manager Day indicated he would defer that answer to the Town Attorney. Mr. Grady indicated Noise Ordinances were hard to develop. He continued by saying most people would understand the level of disruption is unreasonable and will comply. He indicated personal preferences also had to be taken into consideration.

Commissioner Carter indicated she thought it was a good preliminary policy. She stated the local people did not have very loud mowing devices, but those doing commercial landscaping did have loud equipment and that was worse than the local noise. Town Manager Day indicated that was the intent of having the 8 am start time. A distinction can be made between commercial and residential but it may cause an issue.

Commissioner Harker asked about the permit for special events to include the noise permit information. Allowing the Police Chief or Town Manager having the authority to alter the time limits will the allowance be earlier or later. Town Manager Day indicated that was in the Wilmington ordinance and if a discretionary extension is to be given, then it should be given to the Mayor. Commissioner Harker also asked if the owner is to be held responsible how about the people actually creating the issue.

Commissioner Hagle stated the current ordinance had a lot of detail and what was needed at the time of approval. He stated time limits and noise levels should be looked at and decided if any changes should be made. He indicated he believed commercial and residential remain the same. He also stated someone had to be in charge of the event being held if the owner of the property was not present.

Commissioner Hollinshed asked for clarification that noise level regulations be softened during times of emergency situations.

This item was held until the October work session for further discussion. Town Manager Day asked the board members to please put in writing their suggested changes and then having additional discussion with changes at the October work session.

12. Short Term Rental Regulations

Town Manager Day gave the following report.

At this year’s retreat the Board decided to pursue zoning amendments that will regulate short term rental properties (see attached presentation from retreat). An outline of potential regulations for both homestay and whole house lodging is provided for discussion and review.

If the Town Board desires to enact these or other short term rental regulations, then it should send them to the Planning Board to follow the usual process for zoning ordinance amendments.

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Regulation of short term rental properties is proposed to be divided into two categories: 1) Homestay Lodging, and 2) Whole House Lodging.

Homestay Lodging

Definitions:

Homestay lodging - A private, resident-occupied dwelling unit, with up to two guest rooms where overnight lodging accommodations are provided to transients for compensation for a maximum continuous period of twenty-nine (29) days, that does not include serving food, and where the use is subordinate and incidental to the main residential use of the building. The dwelling unit must serve as the host's principal residence.

Homestay host: A permanent, full-time resident of a property who is present during the homestay term for the entire time lodgers are staying on the property. The host may be temporarily absent from the property for purposes related to normal residential activities, such as shopping, working, attending classes, etc.; however, a host must be at the property overnight when lodgers are present.

Principal residence: The domicile where an individual has a true, fixed, permanent home and principal establishment, and to which place, whenever absent, the individual has the intention of returning. A principal residence is the one a person: 1) uses as his/her voting address; and 2) uses as the address on one of the following: his/her federal and state tax returns, military purposes, passport, vehicle registration, insurance policy, driver's license, bank account, or any other bill or item that requires a response; and 3) occupies for at least one hundred eighty-three (183) days during a calendar year.

Regulations:

Homestay uses are permitted in single-family and multi-family zoning districts. (OPTION: provide greater limitations, or lesser limitations)

Homestay lodging uses shall only be allowed in lawfully permitted dwelling units serving as the principal residence of a host. Only a property owner may register a homestay lodging; however, the principal resident may act as a host. Homestay lodging uses do not include bed and breakfast lodging uses.

Permitting.

- (a) A property owner shall apply for a zoning permit with the Town of Beaufort Planning and Inspections Department.
- (b) Zoning permits are restricted to a property owner, who shall provide proof of possession of the registered premises, and to natural persons only. A host may be the property owner or another principal resident.
- (c) A permit number shall be assigned to each registered establishment, which shall be clearly noted along with any advertisement for lodging.
- (d) Homestay lodging existing prior to the enactment of this ordinance shall be subject to a one year amortization period and to the non-conforming use requirements of the Land

Development Ordinance.

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The maximum number of guest rooms allowed shall be two in a single dwelling unit, and the maximum occupancy shall be two people per guest room. Accessory structures shall be considered a single guest room.

Parking:

- (a) The host shall issue a parking placard to each guest parking on site.
- (b) Guest parking shall be restricted to behind the plane of the front facade of the home, except that an existing improved parking surface on the property existing at the time of the adoption of this ordinance may also be used.
- (c) No more than one (1) motor vehicle per rented guest room shall be parked onsite at any time.

The use provisions are not subject to variance by the board of adjustment.

Any property owner who receives a permit for homestay lodging, as well as any host, shall: 1) be responsible for ensuring compliance with all federal, state, and local laws, including, but not limited to tax code, building code, fire code, and environmental health regulations for the level of occupancy of the homestay; 2) not allow any party, event, classes, weddings, receptions, or other large gatherings on the premises.

Property owners who provide homestay lodging are responsible for keeping in full force and effect during all times the dwelling unit is used as a homestay lodging commercial general liability insurance with a total limit of not less than \$500,000 each occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.

Homestay lodging hosts shall maintain records demonstrating that the home is a host's primary residence, the dates of rental for the previous three hundred sixty-five (365) days, and the number of renters. Such records shall be made available, upon request, to the Town.

Written notice shall be conspicuously posted inside each short-term lodging unit setting forth the following information:

- (a) The name and telephone number of the host.
- (b) The address of the lodging, the maximum number of overnight occupants, and the day(s) established for garbage collection.
- (c) The non-emergency phone number of the Town of Beaufort Police Department.
- (d) The annual registration documentation.
- (e) That parties, events, classes, weddings, receptions, and other large gatherings are not permitted.

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Definitions:

Whole-house lodging – A private residential dwelling unit in which the entire dwelling unit is provided for overnight lodging accommodations to transients for compensation for a maximum continuous period of twenty-nine (29) days, and in which no food is provided.

Regulations:

Whole-house lodging establishments are permitted in all single family and multifamily residential zoning districts subject to the following conditions (OPTION: provide greater limitations, or lesser limitations) :

Each whole-house lodging establishment shall meet the minimum separation distance from any other residentially-zoned whole-house lodging establishment or any properly permitted bed and breakfast lodging also within a residential zoning district, as measured from parcel line to parcel line. The total number of permitted uses shall be limited by a cap.

The separation distances shall be 400 feet, with a cap of no more than 2% of the total number of residentially-zoned parcels within each zoning district.

Such uses shall require a local operator, available 24 hours per day, within 20 miles of the subject property.

Permitting.

- (a) The property owner shall apply for a zoning permit for each establishment with the Town of Beaufort Planning and Inspections Department.
- (b) The owner shall provide proof of possession of the applicant premises.
- (c) A zoning permit number shall be assigned to each permitted whole house lodging, which shall be clearly noted along with any advertisement for lodging.
- (d) Zoning permits are limited to natural persons only and no person shall be eligible for more than one permit for a whole-house lodging in any residential district.
- (e) Whole house lodging existing prior to the enactment of this ordinance shall be subject to a one year amortization period and to the non-conforming use requirements of the Land Development Ordinance.

Parking:

- (a) The local operator shall issue a parking placard to each guest parking on site.
- (b) One (1) off-street, on-site parking space shall be provided for each bedroom.
- (c) Guest parking shall be restricted to behind the plane of the front facade of the home, except that an existing improved parking surface on the property existing at the time of the adoption of this ordinance may also be used.
- (d) No more than one (1) motor vehicle per bedroom shall be

parked onsite at any time.

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Option:

If off-street parking is not available on site, shared parking or rented spaces in a private or municipal parking lot may be used to satisfy this parking requirement.

Proof of a shared parking plan or rental of spaces shall be included with the zoning permit application. A shared parking plan will be enforced through written agreement among all owners of record. An attested copy of the agreement between the owners of record must be approved by the town attorney and submitted to the city for recordation on forms made available in by the Town. Recordation of the agreement must take place before issuance of a zoning permit for any short-term lodging use to be served by the off-site parking area.

The use provisions of this section are not subject to variance by the board of adjustment.

Any property owner operating whole-house lodging shall 1) be responsible for ensuring compliance with all federal, state, and local laws, including, but not limited to tax code, building code, fire code, and environmental health regulations for the level of occupancy of the lodging and 2) not allow any party, event, classes, weddings, receptions, or other large gatherings on the premises.

Property owners registering a whole-house lodging are responsible for keeping in full force and effect during all times the unit is used as a whole-house lodging commercial general liability insurance with a total limit of not less than \$500,000 each occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.

Operators of whole house lodging shall maintain records listing the local operator, the dates of rental for the previous three hundred sixty five (365) days, and the number of renters. Such records shall be made available, upon request, to the Town.

Written notice shall be conspicuously posted inside each whole house lodging unit setting forth the following information:

- (a) The name and telephone number of the operator.
- (b) The address of the lodging, the maximum number of overnight occupants permitted, and the day(s) established for garbage collection.
- (c) The non-emergency phone number of the Town of Beaufort Police Department.
- (d) The zoning permit number.
- (e) That parties, events, classes, weddings, receptions, and large gatherings are not permitted.

The operator shall ensure that all refuse is stored in appropriate containers and set out for collection on the proper collection day and that the carts are removed from the street or alley on the scheduled collection day, in accordance with all applicable Town Codes.

Preparation and service of food by operators for guests shall be prohibited. No cooking shall be permitted in individual bedrooms.

Occupancy shall be limited to two (2) persons per bedroom.

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Mayor/Commission Comments

Adjourn

Mayor Everette S. (Rett) Newton

Michele Davis, Town Clerk

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**Town of Beaufort Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
6:00 PM Monday, October 12, 2020 - Zoom Meeting due to Covid-19
Minutes**

Call to Order

Town Manager John Day welcomed participants to the Oct. 12 Regular Meeting and provided instructions for those wishing to speak during Public Comment.

Mayor Newton called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Roll Call

Mayor Newton conducted roll call and declared a quorum present for the meeting.

Members Present

Mayor Everette Newton

Commissioner Ann Carter

Commissioner John Hagle

Commissioner Sharon Harker

Commissioner Marianna Hollinshed

Commissioner Charles McDonald

Agenda Approval

Commissioner Hagle made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Hollinshed, Commissioner Hagle.

Calendar

Rachel Johnson, PIO, Parks & Events Coordinator, Deputy Town Clerk, reviewed the calendar for the months of October and November. In addition to the regularly scheduled meetings, Ms. Johnson mentioned the ongoing relief effort, Carteret Care for those impacted by recent hurricanes in Louisiana.

Donations will be accepted through 5:00 p.m. Thursday and can be dropped off at the Beaufort Fire Department. In addition, she mentioned White Cane Awareness Day is Oct. 15, Chat with the Chief is scheduled for 3:00 p.m. Oct. 21, and the Lion’s Club Bridge Run will take place Saturday, Nov. 7.

Mayor Newton asked the Board if there were any questions; there were none.

Public Comment

Mayor Newton announced the three-minute time limit for public comment, noting two people were signed up to speak: Peter Crumley and Janet Woodward.

Peter Crumley thanked the Board and the Town for the construction of the raised crosswalk in front of the Maritime Museum. He explained the notable improvement to safety in the town for pedestrians, adding that the subject is very near and dear to his heart as a blind walker. Mr. Crumley said that he would like to see that design moving forward, especially with the Turner Street project.

Mr. Crumley thanked the town and Rachel Johnson for a wonderful job at Randolph Johnson Park. He also spoke about the potential right-of-way turnover from NCDOT to a private entity. In his opinion, public property should remain public property. He mentioned the Cedar Street Park area has historically been an area where people fish and enjoy the outdoors and urged the Board to take that under consideration when discussing the item on the agenda.

Mayor Newton invited Janet Woodward to speak. Janet Woodward thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak, as well as for appointing her to the Historic Preservation Commission. Ms. Woodward informed the Board of a packet she dropped off at Town Hall the week prior regarding an exceptional woman in the community. The packet contained letters of endorsement from community members in support of naming the Turner Street Bridge after Ms. Violet Bailey. Ms. Woodward provided quotes from various sources speaking to the excellence of Ms. Bailey and her contributions to the community. Ms. Woodward requested the Town include a resolution to name the Turner Street Bridge after Ms. Violet Bailey at the November Board of Commissioners Meeting. If the Board does not want to proceed, Ms. Woodward said that she would like the Board to address why.

Manager Report

John Day, Town Manager, spoke about Halloween during the COVID-19 pandemic. He referenced guidelines from the North Carolina Department of Health and Services and Center for Disease Control that are available for review on the Town’s website and Facebook page. He discussed low, medium and high-risk Halloween activities and emphasized the need to protect the community’s most vulnerable citizens.

Mayor Newton asked the Board for any additional questions or comments regarding the Manager's Report.

Commissioner Carter echoed similar concerns and encouraged residents to be cautious during Halloween and noted a recent increase in COVID-19 cases in the area.

Commissioner McDonald asked about the status of the odor control measures for Beau Coast. Mr. Day explained that the equipment has been ordered by Preston Development, but the delivery date has not yet been determined. He further explained that staff continues to work with the developer in preparation of its arrival. Commissioner McDonald then asked for additional information on the amount of sand to be removed from the basin or pond and the value of the sand. Mr. Day asked Greg Meshaw, Public Services Director/Town Engineer to speak on the matter. Mr. Meshaw said he would provide the commissioners with that information within the next couple of days. Mr. Meshaw also mentioned that staff is working with the developer to create an agreement outlining the Town’s responsibilities. Further discussion ensued. Commissioner McDonald asked about any fencing around the site. Mr. Meshaw explained that there Mr. Blackley’s group will be installing a gate. He added that a fence is unnecessary as the remainder of the area is surrounded by forest.

Items of Consent

Mayor Newton reviewed the Items of Consent and asked the pleasure of the Board.

Commissioner Hagle made a motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Hollinshed, Commissioner Hagle.

1. Draft Minutes for the August 24, 2020 Work Session and the September 14, 2020 Regular Meeting
2. Capital Project- Park Improvements Projects Budget Amendment #1
3. Capital Reserve Fund Amendment #4

Items for Discussion and Consideration

4. *Approval of Stewart Inc. as the consultant for the CAMA Comprehensive Land Use Plan & Unified Development Ordinance*

Kate Allen, Town Planner, discussed the Request for Proposals for a new CAMA Comprehensive Land Use Plan and Unified Development Ordinance submitted in August 2020. There were five proposals submitted. Ms. Allen noted the Selection Committee – Commissioner Carter, John Day, Kyle Garner, and herself – conducted interviews Oct. 1 and 2. Following the interviews, the committee unanimously selected Stewart as the preferred consultant for the project. Ms. Allen asked the Board’s permission to proceed with Stewart, Inc. for the CAMA Comprehensive Land Use Plan & Unified Development Ordinance.

Mayor Newton asked the Board for any questions or comments.

Commissioner Carter did not have any questions but noted that she participated in the interview process. She said that she was very impressed with the proposal and that she has consistently been pleased with Stewart in previous projects.

Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald and Commissioner Hollinshed had none.

Commissioner Hagle noted the timeline in the proposal indicated a start date in September and asked if the project timeline would be extended a few weeks considering September has ended. Ms. Allen confirmed that the timeline would be extended and updated to reflect the later start date. Commissioner Hagle then asked about “Catalyst Sites” that were mentioned in the proposal. Ms. Allen explained that it is comparable to focus areas identified in the Small Area Plan with areas prime for redevelopment, etc. Mr. Day mentioned representatives from Stewart were also in attendance if the Board had any questions for them.

Commissioner Hagle made a motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Hollinshed, Commissioner Hagle.

5. *Potential Project Additions Turner Street 100 Block Pedestrian Improvements*

Sam Bell, Assistant Town Engineer, provided an update on the Turner Street 100 Block Project Addition Alternatives. He discussed the proposed Middle Lane Crosswalk, noting increased pedestrian safety at a high traffic location, traffic calming on Turner Street and Middle Lane, as

well as the aesthetic improvements to the East side of Turner Street. Commissioner Hagle asked if the sidewalk would eventually be extended down Middle Lane. Mr. Bell confirmed that as soon as the [bank] property is redeveloped, the existing wall would be converted into a sidewalk.

Mr. Bell then discussed the original proposal, the Mid-block Crosswalk ADA Improvements. Benefits include: ADA compliance, better drainage and access for alleyway, loading zone striping, and an additional bike rack location. Mr. Bell then presented updates to the original proposal based on comments from the Work Session. His presentation included renderings of a raised crosswalk and showed the relocation of a bump out leading to the crosswalk which will serve as a traffic calming measure and pedestrian haven. He noted the raised crosswalk would result in the loss of two parking spaces but would increase pedestrian visibility.

Mr. Bell discussed alternate loading zone locations and the pros and cons of each. Loading Zone Alternate 1 would shift the loading zone in front of Fishtowne, Turner Street Market, and Beaufort Pet Provisions. Alternate 2 would be closer to Front Street. Both alternates would result in the loss of approximately three parking spaces. Mr. Bell added that the spaces could be added elsewhere on Turner Street.

Mr. Bell then discussed bike rack alternatives, noting the initial proposal included a “loop type” bike rack. He said Commissioner Harker indicated the “grid type” bike rack would be a more acceptable design at the most recent Work Session.

Mr. Bell provided feedback from local businesses regarding the loading zone alternates. Turner Street Market is opposed to Alternate 1 due to the proximity to the outdoor seating areas and loss of 15 minute parking spots. Beaufort Pet Provisions is also opposed to Alternate 1 unless there is a way to keep the 15 minute parking spots. The Beaufort Historic Association (BHA) recommended keeping the loading zone at its current location and voiced opposition to losing two parking spots to the raised crosswalk. The BHA also emphasized the need for native plant species for all improvements.

Mr. Bell explained that after considering both alternates, staff recommendations are to construct a street level crosswalk at Middle Lane, rework sidewalk and ramps to make ADA compliant and stripe loading zone area in street, relocate planned bump-out island, construct mid-block raised crosswalk, landscape unused ramp area, construct curb and gutter to tie into proposed bump-out and existing curb and gutter, and substitute grid type bicycle ramps for loop type. The total estimated additional cost is \$62,000.

Mayor Newton asked for questions or comments from the Board.

Commissioner Carter asked if the grid type bicycle rack would take up less space than the originally proposed loop type. Mr. Bell said the grid type might take up slightly more space but could accommodate more bicycles. He also mentioned bike locks seem to work better with the standard grid type bike rack.

Commissioner Harker asked if there is another bike rack located closer to Royal James, or if this would be the only bike rack for the street. Mr. Bell said that the initial proposal included two bike racks; one by Fishtowne and one closer to Front Street. He mentioned the possibility of a third

bike rack at an area in between. The proposal tonight only includes two bike rack locations.

Commissioner McDonald asked if the intent was to improve pedestrian, vehicle traffic, or loading/unloading zones. Mr. Bell indicated the project objective is to improve all three aspects, as well as overall visibility. Commissioner McDonald asked if the tree in front of Turner Street Market would have to be removed. Mr. Bell confirmed that all existing trees in the project area will be removed, but new trees will be planted with the new landscaping. Commissioner McDonald referenced historic issues with tree removal. Commissioner McDonald indicated that in order to ensure a smooth process, [staff] should be in contact with the local businesses and delivery companies and [staff] should draft an ordinance saying merchandise deliveries should happen at certain times of the day before traffic really picks up.

Commissioner Hollinshed thanked Mr. Bell for exploring additional loading zone alternatives. In looking at the proposed alternatives, Commissioner Hollinshed said she believes the initial location is the best option. She added that removal of the Crape Myrtles would be a big improvement, especially once replaced with something else.

Commissioner Hagle believes it is a good design. He echoed Commissioner McDonald's comments regarding business owners and suppliers, emphasizing the need for delivery drivers to utilize the loading zone as the town has been rather lenient historically. He then asked if the raised crosswalk would be similar to the one in front of the Maritime Museum. Mr. Bell confirmed the design would be similar.

Commissioner Hagle made a motion to approve as presented. Commissioner Carter asked about the loading zone location.

Commissioner Hagle amended the motion to approve with the loading zone in the originally proposed location north of the new crosswalk. The motion passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Hollinshed, Commissioner Hagle.

6. Cedar Street Park/Homer Smith Marina

John Day explained that the Board discussed this proposal at the last Regular Meeting and indicated members of the Board conducted additional research regarding the request. He asked the Board to consider the proposal and do what the Board feels is in the best interest of the Town.

Mayor Newton asked for clarification of the requested action tonight, noting four criteria that will be follow on actions. Mr. Day acknowledged additional elements and considerations that will need to be addressed, to include the covenant in place between the Town and Homer Smith Marina regarding expansion. He explained that the agreement will need to be amended for there to be an expansion. The owner has made it quite clear that the improvements and additional right-of-way to be used for parking is only necessary if there is an expansion. Mr. Day indicated a clear relationship between the issues, noting that Mr. Frost would likely need to have an understanding of whether or not there could be an expansion of some sort before he would be interested in the additional property and expanding parking.

Commissioner Carter asked for clarification that by agreeing to transfer the right-of-way to Mr. Smith, that the Board is tacitly agreeing to amend the covenant in order to allow them to increase the number of slips.

Mr. Day explained that without the Board agreeing to amend the covenant, there would not be a reason for the owner to spend money to expand parking and contribute to other improvements. He then informed the Board that Ron Cullipher is present to answer any questions on behalf of the owner.

Commissioner Carter noted that the owner would only need the space for additional parking for additional boat slips. Without permission to get additional boat slips, there is no need for additional parking.

Commissioner Harker asked if the existing parking spaces from the original approved plan would be enough for additional boat slips.

Ron Cullipher (The Cullipher Group, PA) explained that the original site plan that was approved – to include the demolition of the fish house and construction of the clubhouse – contains 43 parking spaces. Based on the current rules, the existing 43 parking spaces can accommodate 150 slips without the addition of the property Mr. Frost is requesting. He explained that the goal was to have more than the minimum required parking with a better site plan, more landscaping and to accommodate overflow traffic that seems to be a big concern. Mr. Cullipher went on to explain that if the property owner pays the contribution for the restroom kiosk facility, the goal is to get up to 178 slips with a portion of those slips being transient. He explained that if the property owner is able to acquire the right-of-way and provide funding as offered, they would like to go through the process to formally submit plans and go through the formal approval process.

Commissioner Harker discussed an existing power line that goes across the [right-of-way] property, noting that when the Town initially began designing Cedar Street Park, they determined very little can be done in that area for safety reasons. She asked Mr. Cullipher to confirm that a portion of the parking area is still going to be gravel, that they plan to fence the area off and make it look presentable. Mr. Cullipher confirmed, noting the plan for heavy landscaping. Commissioner Harker confirmed with Mr. Cullipher that the donation will still be in place to construct the bathrooms. Commissioner Harker then mentioned the proposed gate, indicating the additional parking would eliminate the need for visitors to look for parking further down Cedar Street. She asked if the marina would be hosting any large parties or events that would promote more traffic than standard day to day operations. Mr. Cullipher said he does not anticipate anything of the sort. Commissioner Harker then asked if someone will be on site to monitor the parking area as the proposal includes car decals for marina patrons. Mr. Cullipher confirmed that the dockmaster will be on site, though he was unsure of exact schedule. Commissioner Harker asked if the additional transient spots were a part of the grant criteria. Mr. Cullipher confirmed.

Commissioner McDonald asked if there has been a precedent set with other property owners to do something similar to what Homer Smith Marina is requesting. Mr. Cullipher mentioned the adjoining property and that acquired 20 feet of right-of-way on either side of Cedar Street from NCDOT for the parking plan [hotel project]. Commissioner McDonald asked Mr. Day if that means the precedent has been set. Mr. Day acknowledged that it could be seen that way.

Commissioner Hollinshed asked who originally owned the frontage. She asked if it was a part of Homer Smith or the Fish House and then acquired by DOT when they built the bridge, as the bridge was originally on Ann Street. She noted that the ratio of slips to parking according to our ordinance is adequate. She explained that she still has concerns about overweighing this portion of town between this project and other projects already underway. Commissioner Hollinshed also voiced concerns about holiday weekends and parking shortages.

Commissioner Hagle voiced support for the gate at the west end of the parking area. He also noted the power lines severely restrict the possible use of the property and parking would be a great use for it. Commissioner Hagle went on to discuss the parking requirements of the Land Development Ordinance and pointed out that the proposal includes approximately 30% more spaces than would be required. He noted that it is a very busy area with a lot of upcoming development.

Commissioner Hagle asked Mr. Day if the Board would need to make a separate vote for the agreement with the Town. Mr. Day explained that the town would need to have an amendment to the agreement drafted. It would need to be very specific about what it allows. Mr. Day suggested any additional questions about the agreement portion should be directed to Arey Grady, Town Attorney.

Commissioner Hagle mentioned the agreement clearly states the number of slips allowed and said that this is a discussion that will be coming to the forefront very soon.

Mayor Newton explained that this case is about public trust and voiced concerns about an all or nothing approach. He emphasized the importance of a comprehensive and incremental approach in order to avoid real problems in the future.

Commissioner Hagle asked Mayor Newton if the Board could discuss the agreement at the next meeting. He added that a lot of the language could be included in the agreement. Mayor Newton agreed with Commissioner Hagle and added that data is a key element as well – how many visitors do we have now, how many visitors do we anticipate as a result of this project? Commissioner Hagle agreed, noting significant changes in that are of town over the last several years.

Commissioner Carter voiced concerns about additional delays for the marina and data collection, noting the close of the busy season. She further pointed out that the proposal meets the standards of the ordinance. Commissioner Harker noted the recent approval of the neighboring hotel project and voiced concerns about a lack of consistency in expectations of developers, highlighting the importance of equal and consistent standards. Commissioner Harker also mentioned emails from citizens regarding the proposal and support thereof, an increase in revenues, and the ability to compromise in the language of the agreement. She posed questions about the data collection, responsible party, and accuracy of the data. Discussion ensued.

Arey Grady, Town Attorney, asked to address the Board. He explained that the proposal is to consent to the NCDOTs turning over of the right-of-way. He said the marina would have numerous other requirements to meet, some of which were included in the agenda packet – CAMA permit approval, site plan approval, and amend the covenant. He explained that if the Board agreed to relinquish the right-of-way tonight, it is not implicitly approving the other two necessary board actions (site plan approval and covenant amendment). He mentioned the possibility of granting a conditional approval to NCDOT contingent upon an approved site plan,

covenant amendment and CAMA permit.

Mayor Newton asked Mr. Day where the donation for the park bathroom comes into consideration. Mr. Day explained that it would be tied to the action with NCDOT. He also mentioned NCDOT would likely not be inclined to proceed with a conditional approval. Mr. Day agreed with Mr. Grady that the three items should be considered together, though the site plan could potentially come later if the covenant is amended to reflect a certain number of slips. He suggested considering the NCDOT right-of-way and amendment to the covenant simultaneously to develop a framework for the site plan.

Mayor Newton asked Mr. Day for a recommendation moving forward. Mr. Day indicated that some direction from the Board would be helpful in order to draft an amendment to the covenant. That direction would have to do with the number of slips, whether there would be any phasing in the construction of said slips, and any other conditions the Board would like to include that fall outside of the purview of standard planning and development process. He said the Board could hold a special Work Session or discuss the proposal at the next Work Session. The suggestions from that meeting can be used for the attorney to draft an amendment to the covenant to bring before the Board at the next Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Carter expressed concerns about asking the developer to spend money without a guaranteed return on their investment. She further acknowledged the need to be responsible and ensure the town is going to benefit to the maximum it can. She agreed the Board should discuss the proposal further at another work session. Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Hollinshed and Commissioner Hagle agreed.

Mayor Newton asked Mr. Day to put this on the agenda for a work session, whether it be a special meeting or regularly scheduled work session. Mr. Day asked the Board to consult with the attorney if it would like to hold a special session – possibly Monday, October 19, 2020 – to be sure he could have something drafted in time.

Mayor Newton and the Board agreed to discuss the matter at a future work session.

7. *Upcoming Events and Activities*

Rachel Johnson provided an update on upcoming events and activities. Ms. Johnson mentioned additional information for the Lion’s Club Bridge Run was provided to the Board following the work session.

Pirate Invasion submitted a canon firing schedule and social distancing plan as requested. Ms. Johnson explained that she had an opportunity to speak with Carl Cannon earlier in the day and learned they are considering making the Gallants Channel portion of the event a private ticketed event. Ms. Johnson presented a map showing the layout and social distancing plan for the Grayden Paul/Eury Park portion of the event.

Mayor Newton asked the Board for any questions or concerns.

Commissioner Harker asked Ms. Johnson to confirm that the plan is to keep people moving rather than congregating in large groups.

Commissioner Hollinshed asked to clarify that there will be three canon firing sessions on Saturday. Ms. Johnson asked Mr. Carl Cannon to confirm. Mr. Cannon provided an overview of the plan and canon firing schedule. He also spoke to the social distancing measures that will be in place as well as temperature checks and mandatory masks. Commissioner Hollinshed noted that none of the Gallants Channel layout was submitted in the packet. Ms. Johnson explained that because Gallants Channel is private property, it is not subject to approval from the Town.

Commissioner Hagle asked if the attack at 3:30 p.m. would be on Taylors Creek. Mr. Cannon confirmed and explained that the attack will follow the flotilla. Mr. Cannon further explained that he has no plans to advertise that portion of the event. Commissioner Hagle then asked if the vendors will be set up at Gallants Channel. Mr. Cannon said that they are not planning on having a lot of vendors – a few food trucks and vendors with pirate stuff. Ms. Johnson explained that the request is for Grayden Paul Park to be permitted to sell t-shirts, so that would be their own booth there. They also requested John Newton park to be allowed two pirate themed vendors. Commissioner Hagle confirmed that there would only be two vendors at the park. Mr. Cannon agreed, noting that he does not want to abandon the downtown area. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Cannon addressed the Board and said that he wants to hold the event the right way with the Board’s approval. He explained that safety is a concern and he does not want to have a “Super Spreader” event and social distancing guidelines will be followed. He also volunteered to share the layout and proposal for the Gallants Channel property as well. Although the Friends of the Maritime Museum have not officially approved the request, he anticipates approval by the end of day.

Mr. Day pointed out an error in the proposed dates. Friday in November is the 20, so the event would be the 20 and 21. On Nov. 22, they are holding a memorial to honor the dead on both sides.

Commissioner Hagle made a motion to approve the request.

Commissioner McDonald asked if there are any other activities scheduled for the same dates downtown. Mr. Cannon explained that they are renting the Gallants Channel property, so there will not be anything else happening at that site. Ms. Johnson explained that there will be activities at Grayden Paul & Eury Park on Saturday, and ticketed activities at the Gallants Channel property. She noted that she is not aware of any other scheduled activities at this time. Commissioner McDonald then asked about the pirates means of transportation. Ms. Johnson said that there will be different crews at each location, so they should not have to go back and forth frequently. Mr. Cannon added that the people downtown will be downtown all day. If they have to transport people, they have a skif available to carry performers back and forth if necessary.

Mayor Newton reminded the Board of the motion and conducted a roll call vote. *The motion passed unanimously.*

Voting Yea: Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Hollinshed, Commissioner Hagle

8. *Appointments to Historic Preservation Commission, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and Board of Adjustment*

Mayor Newton explained that there are several vacancies on volunteer boards. One position for the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC), one position for an in-town alternate for the Board of Adjustment (BOA), and three positions on the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. Mayor Newton read the names of applicants for each board.

Mayor Newton asked Deputy Clerk Rachel Johnson to confirm the accuracy of the list. Ms. Johnson verified the list was accurate.

Mayor Newton asked for a motion to open nominations for the first of three vacancies on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Commissioner Harker made a motion to open nominations for the first vacancy on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Newton asked for nominations for the first of three vacancies on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Commissioner Carter nominated Brian O’Haver to fill the first vacancy on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Mayor Newton asked if there were any other nominations. Hearing none, Mayor Newton asked for a motion to close the nominations.

Commissioner Hagle made a motion to close the nominations. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Newton asked for a vote to appoint Brian O’Haver to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Hollinshed, Commissioner Hagle

Mayor Newton asked for a motion to open nominations for the second vacancy on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Commissioner Hollinshed made a motion to open nominations for the second vacancy on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Newton asked for nominations for the second vacancy on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Commissioner Hollinshed nominated Johnna Davis.

Mayor Newton asked if there were any other nominations. Hearing none, Mayor Newton asked for a motion to close the nominations.

Commissioner Hagle made a motion to close nominations for the second vacancy on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Newton asked for a vote to appoint Johnna Davis to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Hollinshed, Commissioner Hagle

Mayor Newton asked for a motion to open nominations for the third vacancy on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Commissioner Harker made a motion to open nominations for the second vacancy on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Newton asked for nominations for the second vacancy on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Commissioner Carter nominated Julie Arthur to fill the second vacancy on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Mayor Newton asked if there were any other nominations. Hearing none, Mayor Newton asked for a motion to close the nominations.

Commissioner Hagle made a motion to close the nominations. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Newton asked for a vote to appoint Julie Arthur to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Hollinshed, Commissioner Hagle

Mayor Newton asked for a motion to open nominations for the vacancy on the Historic Preservation Commission.

Commissioner Hollinshed made a motion to open nominations for the vacancy on the Historic Preservation Commission. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Newton asked for nominations to fill the vacancy on the Historic Preservation Commission.

Commissioner Hagle nominated James Taylor to fill the vacant position on the Historic Preservation Commission.

Mayor Newton asked if there were any other nominations. Hearing none, Mayor Newton asked for a motion to close the nominations.

Commissioner Carter made a motion to close the nominations. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Newton asked for a vote to appoint James Taylor to the Historic Preservation Commission.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Hollinshed, Commissioner Hagle

Mayor Newton asked for a motion to open nominations for the vacancy on the Board of Adjustment.

Commissioner Harker made a motion to open nominations. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Newton asked for nominations for the vacant position on the Board of Adjustment. Hearing none, Mayor Newton asked for a motion to close the nominations.

Commissioner Harker made a motion to close the nominations. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Newton thanked everyone for their patience and noted the remaining vacancy on the Board of Adjustment will be filled at a later date.

Mayor/Commission Comments

Commissioner Carter: No comments.

Commissioner Harker: No comments.

Commissioner McDonald: No comments.

Commissioner Hollinshed urged everyone to support the Beaufort Fireman’s Association in their collection of goods for the people in Louisiana. She noted the conditions down there are horrible right now, considering they’ve been hit twice [with hurricanes] within fifteen miles. She also mentioned King Tides coming in later in the week. Commissioner Hollinshed then announced that she had been asked to investigate a traffic calming device for Ann Street west of Turner Street. She noted three blocks there that people are just flying down.

Commissioner Hagle echoed Commissioner Hollinshed’s comments regarding the Beaufort Fireman’s Association collecting supplies for the people in Louisiana. He mentioned friends and family in that part of the world that have been fortunate, but lots of their friends have not been. Commissioner Hagle then delivered his safety message regarding safe driving. He noted an increase in traffic incidents based on the data he receives. He explained conditions are changing – shorter daylight hours, fog in the morning, fog in the evening. He urged everyone to focus on their driving and adjust for these changing conditions.

Closed Session

Mayor Newton asked for a motion to go into closed session in accordance with NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) and (6).

Commissioner Harker made a motion to go into closed session. The motion passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Hollinshed, Commissioner Hagle

9. Closed Session

Adjourn

Mayor Newton asked for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Hagle made a motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Harker, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Hollinshed, Commissioner Hagle

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:50 p.m.

Mayor Everette S. (Rett) Newton

Rachel Johnson, Deputy Clerk



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**Town of Beaufort Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
6:00 PM Monday, Nov. 9, 2020
Zoom Meeting due to COVID-19**

AGENDA CATEGORY: Consent
SUBJECT: Voluntary Annexation Request for 186 Chadwick Road
(Alan Scibal) and 190 Chadwick Road (Sharon Eck)

BRIEF SUMMARY:

A request has been made for a voluntary annexation for .681 acres at 186 Chadwick Road (PIN 731505193342000) and .523 acres at 190 Chadwick Road (PIN 731505194412000).

Both properties are zoned Residential, contiguous and are approximately 60 feet from the Town of Beaufort’s City limits. The applicants mistakenly stated on the application that the properties are not contiguous and are 200 feet from the Town limits. These will be updated with the applicant’s approval prior to moving forward.

The anticipated impact to town services is being investigated for GPD for Water and GPD for Sewer. Currently, Police and Fire serve this area and would not be impacted.

A map of the two properties is attached.

To start the annexation process, the Board of Commissioners will need to direct the Deputy Clerk to investigate the sufficiency of the request. A Resolution Directing the Clerk to Investigate the Petition is included in this packet.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Motion approving the Resolution Directing the Clerk to Investigate the Petition for Voluntary Annexation.

EXPECTED LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:

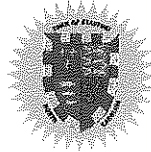
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SUBMITTED BY:

Rachel Johnson, Deputy Clerk

BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED:

No



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Applicant Name: Sharon A. Eck

Applicant Address: 190 Chadwick Rd. Beaufort

Phone Number: 919-602-4770 Email: Andy@Beaufortfurniture.com

Property Owner Name: Same

Address of Property: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Property Address: 190 Chadwick Rd. Current Zoning: residential

15 Digit Pin: 7315 0519 4412000 Size of Property (Square Feet or Acres): 0.523 acres

Is the property Contiguous to the City Limits: Yes No;

If Not Contiguous please indicate how many miles it is to the City Limits: 200 ft.

Current Use of Property:

- Residential
- Commercial
- Vacant
- Other: _____

Sharon A. Eck Applicant Signature Date: June 29 2020

OFFICE USE ONLY Revised 03/16

Received by: Rachel Johnson Reviewed for Completeness By: _____

Date: 10/14/20 Date Deemed 43 Complete and Accepted: _____

SHARO@10 70-00843

Sharon A. Eck

Date: June 20, 2020

Property Owner Signature (if different than above)

A fee of \$100 to the Town of Beaufort must accompany this application.

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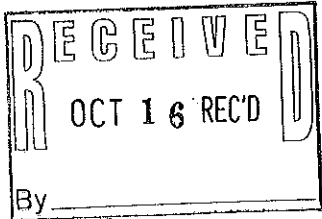
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INVOICE #
20-00843

INVOICE DATE: 10/15/20
DUE DATE: 10/16/20

ACCOUNT ID: SHARO010 PIN: 87360
Sharon Eck
190 Chadwick Road
Beaufort, NC 28516

QUANTITY/UNIT	SERVICE ID	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
		Annexation		
1.0000	APPFEE	Other Application Fees Annexation Request	100.000000	100.00
			TOTAL DUE:	<u>\$ 100.00</u>



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TOWN OF BEAUFORT
701 FRONT ST.
PO BOX 390
BEAUFORT, NC 28516-0390

INVOICE #: 20-00843
DESCRIPTION: Annexation
ACCOUNT ID: SHARO010 PIN: 873607
DUE DATE: 10/16/20
TOTAL DUE: \$ 100.00

Sharon Eck
190 Chadwick Road
Beaufort, NC 28516



PID R 7315.05.19.4412000
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 TWP BEAUFORT
 LOT BLK
 NBHD 11004700 USE 000100 RESIDENTIAL
 LEGAL: LOT OFF SR 1311 - BEAUFORT
 ECK, SHARON A
 190 CHADWICK ROAD
 BEAUFORT NC 28516
 PL BK/PG
 DEED 1500 270 AICUZ
 FIRE BEAUFORT FIRE
 PLAT
 RESCUE BEAUFORT RESCUE OTHER
 ADDRESS 0000190 CHADWICK RD BEAUFORT 28516
 PRINTED 9/09/2020 BY JEANH
 2020 144,034 MKT CARD 002
 117,183 PY Val USE 56,200 LAND 001
 DEF 82,117 BLDG 001
 .523 ACRES 5,717 XFOB 002

EXTRA FEATURES

Seq Bldg Code	Description	Length	Width	Height	#Units	UT	Qty	Qual	UTPrice	Year	Adj1	Adj2	Adj3	Adj4	%Good	Value
001	000190 SHED	12	16		192.000	SF	1	OC	14.930	0000	.85	1.00	1.00	1.00	100.00	2,437
002	000970 PREFAB GARAGE	32	18		576.000	SF	1	OD	6.700	0000	.85	1.00	1.00	1.00	100.00	3,280

LAND

Seq	Zone	Code	Use	Description	UTPrice	Adj1	Adj2	Adj3	Adj4	Fadj	Dadj	Nbhd	Adj	Eff Rate	Value
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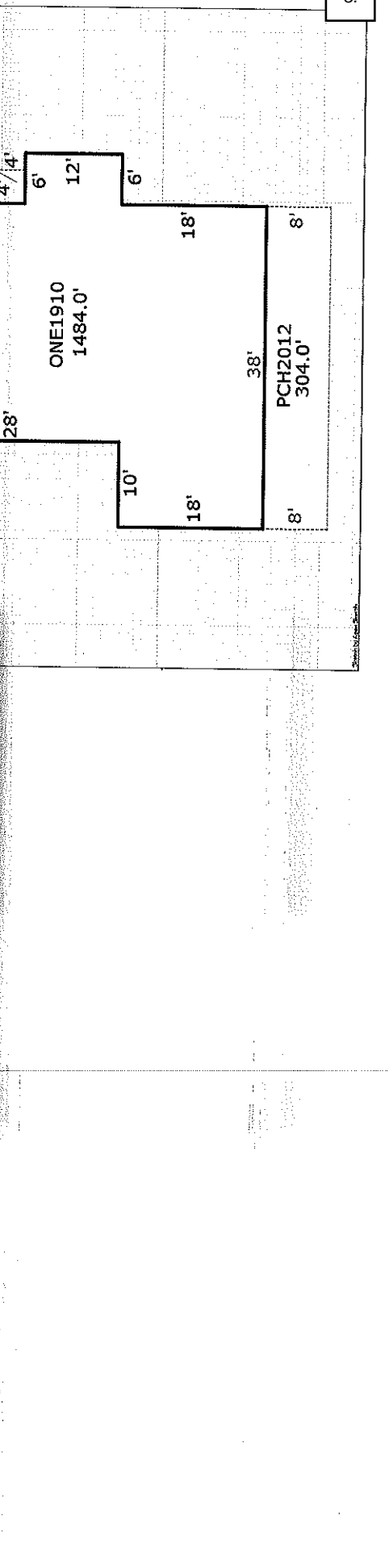
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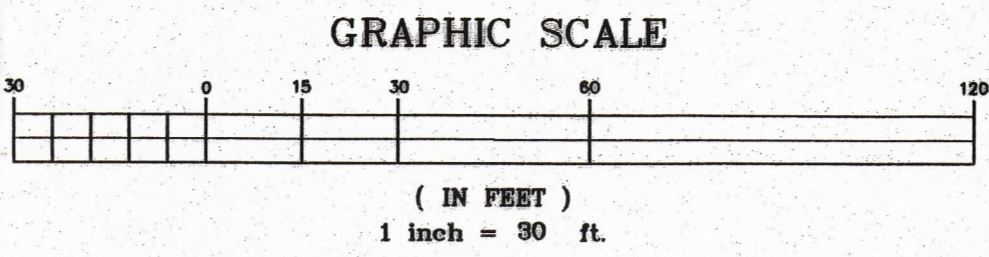
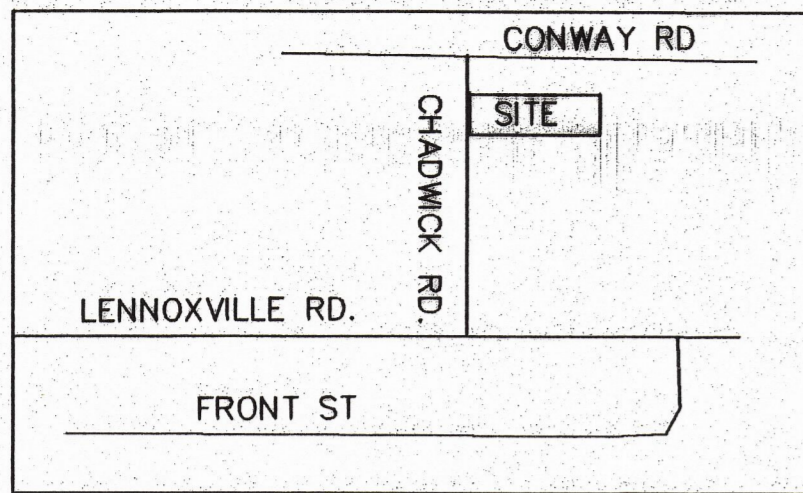
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BUILDING CHARACTERISTICS for BldgSeq# 001 (Item# 001)
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 MODL 01 SNG FAMILY BVAL 00001C SNG FAMILY ARCH 04 RANCH WNDW 03 GABLE INT2% 2.00 BATH UD-3 N/A ESTIMATED UD-9
 FNDN 02 CONC BLOCK FRME A/C 01 NO A/C N/A INT2% 2.00 BATH UD-3 N/A ESTIMATED UD-9
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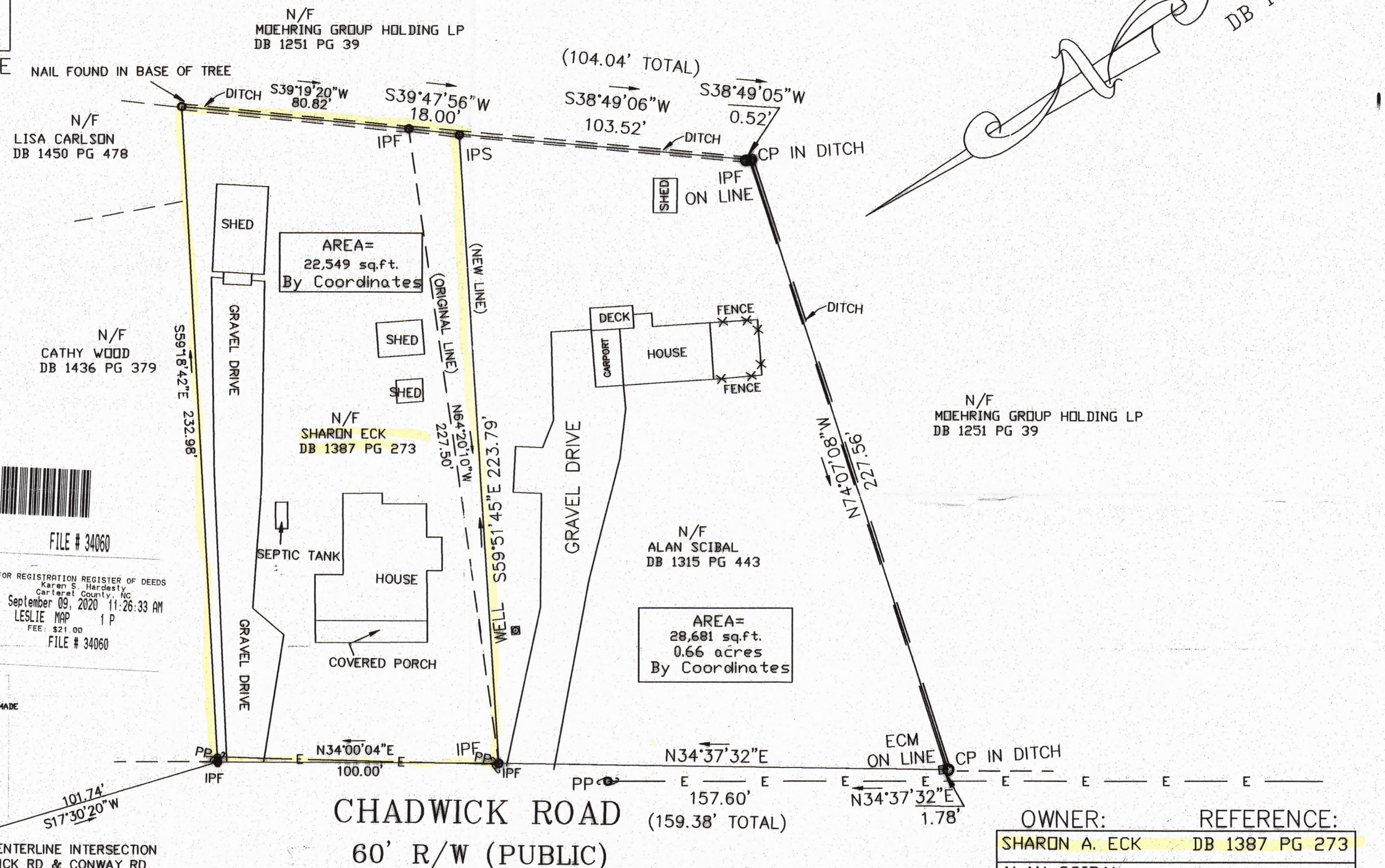
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PORCH	16	6			28.63	458	65.00
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TOTAL						2,860	
TOTAL						82,117	





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FILE # 34060
 FOR REGISTRATION REGISTER OF DEEDS
 Karen S. Hardesty
 Carteret County, NC
 September 09, 2020 11:26:33 AM
 LESLIE MAP 1 P
 FEE \$21.00
 FILE # 34060

THOMAS EDWARD STRICKLAND, III, PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR, CERTIFY THAT THIS PLAT WAS DRAWN UNDER MY SUPERVISION FROM AN ACTUAL SURVEY MADE UNDER MY SUPERVISION OR UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF AN ASSISTANT SURVEYOR AS SHOWN ON THE FACE OF THIS PLAT; THAT THE BOUNDARIES NOT SURVEYED ARE CLEARLY INDICATED AS BROKEN LINES DRAWN FROM INFORMATION REFERENCED AS SUCH; THAT THE RATIO OF PRECISION AS CALCULATED BY LATITUDES AND DEPARTURES IS $1/250,000$; AND ALL AREAS WERE CALCULATED BY COORDINATE COMPUTATION. THAT THIS PLAT WAS PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH G.S. 47-90 AS AMENDED, WITNESS MY ORIGINAL SIGNATURE, REGISTRATION NUMBER AND SEAL THIS 3/2/14 A.D., 20.

Thomas Edward Strickland, III
 THOMAS EDWARD STRICKLAND, III P.L.S.
 L-3776

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF CARTERET
 I, Regan Parli REVIEW OFFICER OF CARTERET COUNTY, CERTIFY THAT THE MAP OR PLAT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATION IS AFFIXED MEETS ALL STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS FOR RECORDING.
Regan Parli REVIEW OFFICER
 DATE 3/9/2020

FILED FOR REGISTRATION AT 11:26 AM O'CLOCK ON THE 9 DAY OF September 2020 RECORDED IN MAP BOOK 21 PAGE 60
 Karen S. Hardesty by Leslie Falout REGISTER OF DEEDS CARTERET COUNTY

THOMAS EDWARD STRICKLAND, III, PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR L-3776, CERTIFY TO ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING AS INDICATED:
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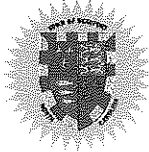
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RECOMBINATION SURVEY FOR
 ANDY BIRMINGHAM
 PROPERTIES
 ON CHADWICK ROAD, BEAUFORT
 BEAUFORT TWSP., CARTERET COUNTY, N.C.

STRICKLAND SURVEYING, P.A.	SURVEYED: 3/2/14
4915 ARENDELL ST, STE J PMB 132 MOREHEAD CITY, N.C. 28557 (252) 727-1970 C-1496 THOMAS EDWARD STRICKLAND III P.L.S.	INV# / FB#: 4545 DATE: 3/2/14 SCALE: 1" = 30'

34060



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Applicant Address: 186 Chadwick Road

Phone Number: 252-725-3201

Email: ANOY@BEAUFORTFURNITURE.com

Property Owner Name: Alan Seibal

Address of Property: 186 Chadwick Road

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Property Address: 186 Chadwick Road Current Zoning: residential

15-Digit Pin: 731505193342000 Size of Property (Square Feet or Acres): 6.81 ACRES

Is the property Contiguous to the City Limits: Yes No;

If Not Contiguous please indicate how many miles it is to the City Limits: 200 feet

Current Use of Property:

Residential
 Commercial

Vacant
 Other: _____

Alan Seibal
Applicant Signature

Date: 7.30.20

OFFICE USE ONLY

Revised 03/16

Received by: Rachel Johnson Reviewed for Completeness By: _____

Date: 10/14/20

Date Deemed 49 Complete and Accepted: _____

Alan Seibal 20-00844

Alan Seibel

Date: 7.30.20

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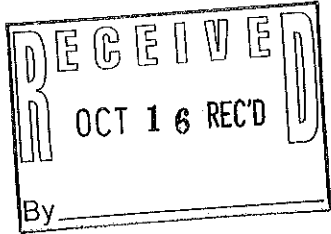
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INVOICE #
20-00844

INVOICE DATE: 10/15/20
DUE DATE: 10/16/20

ACCOUNT ID: ALANS005 PIN: 889413
 Alan Seibal *Seibal*
 186 Chadwick Road
 Beaufort, NC 28516

QUANTITY/UNIT	SERVICE ID	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
		Annexation		
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Alan Seibal
186 Chadwick Road
Beaufort, NC 28516



PID R 7315.05.19.3342000

SCIBAL, ALAN JOHN

2020 96,136 MKT

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CARD 001

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 TWP BEAUFORT
 LOT BLK
 NBHD 11004700 USE 000100 RESIDENTIAL
 LEGAL: LOT OFF SR 1311 - BEAUFORT

PO BOX 1067
 BEAUFORT NC 28516
 PL BK/PG
 DEED 1315 443 AICUZ

FIRE BEAUFORT FIRE
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 ADDRESS 0000186 CHADWICK RD BEAUFORT 28516
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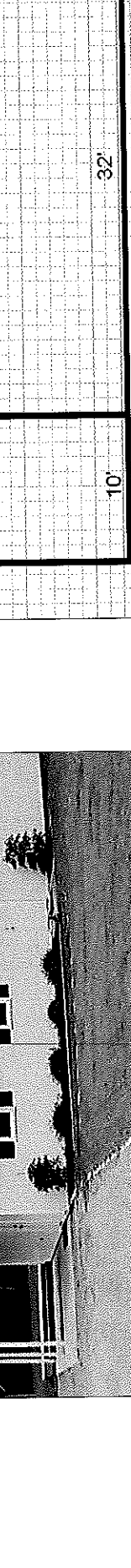
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HEAT 10	HEATPMP	RSTR 03	GABLE	RCV1	03 COMP SHNGL
INT1 05	DRYWALL	INT2		FLR1	14 CARPET
KTCH	N/A	BATH	1.00	BDRM	1
+/-	N/A	UD-3	N/A	UD-4	N/A
COND 0G	GOOD	UD-9	N/A	UD-9	N/A

AREA CALCULATION

Subarea	Actual	Adj	Heated	Prime	Rate	Value	%Good
CARP	200	30			9.87	1974	54.00
ONE STO	640	640	640	640	65.79	42108	54.00
DECK	128	32			16.45	2105	54.00
UTILITY	35	14			26.31	921	54.00
LUMP	1003	716			77.04	2200	54.00
TOTAL			640	640		54.00	
TOTAL						49308	

RCNLD CPT1960=200\$ ONE1961=640\$ DCK1961=128\$ UTL1960=35\$.
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RESCUE BEAUFORT RESCUE

ADDRESS 0000186 CHADWICK RD BEAUFORT 28516

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RESCUE BEAUFORT FIRE

PLAT

PO BOX 1067

BEAUFORT NC 28516

FIRE BEAUFORT FIRE

PLAT

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NBHD 11004700

LEGAL: LOT OFF SR 1311 - BEAUFORT

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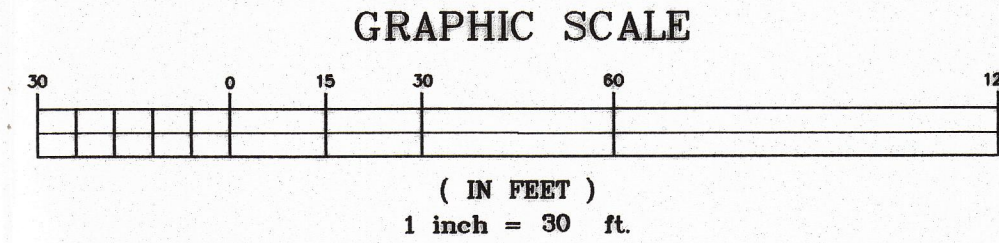
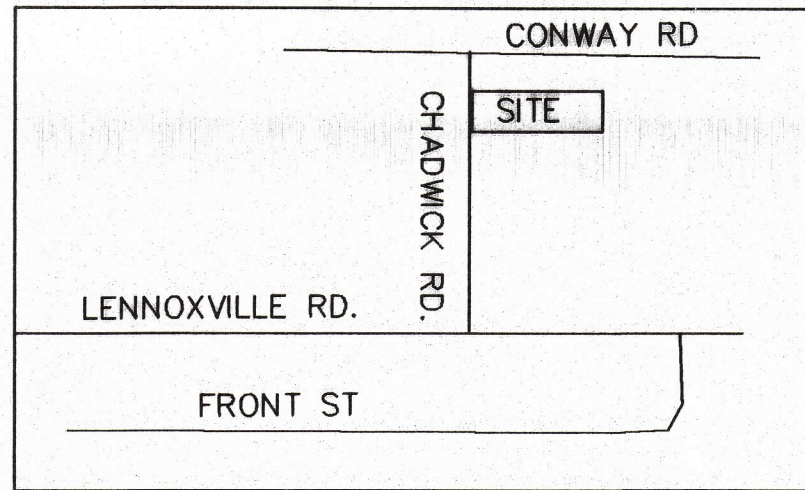
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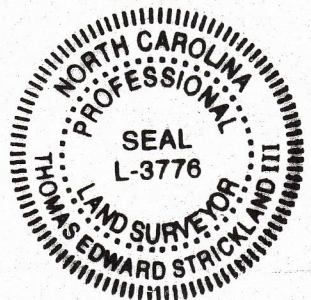
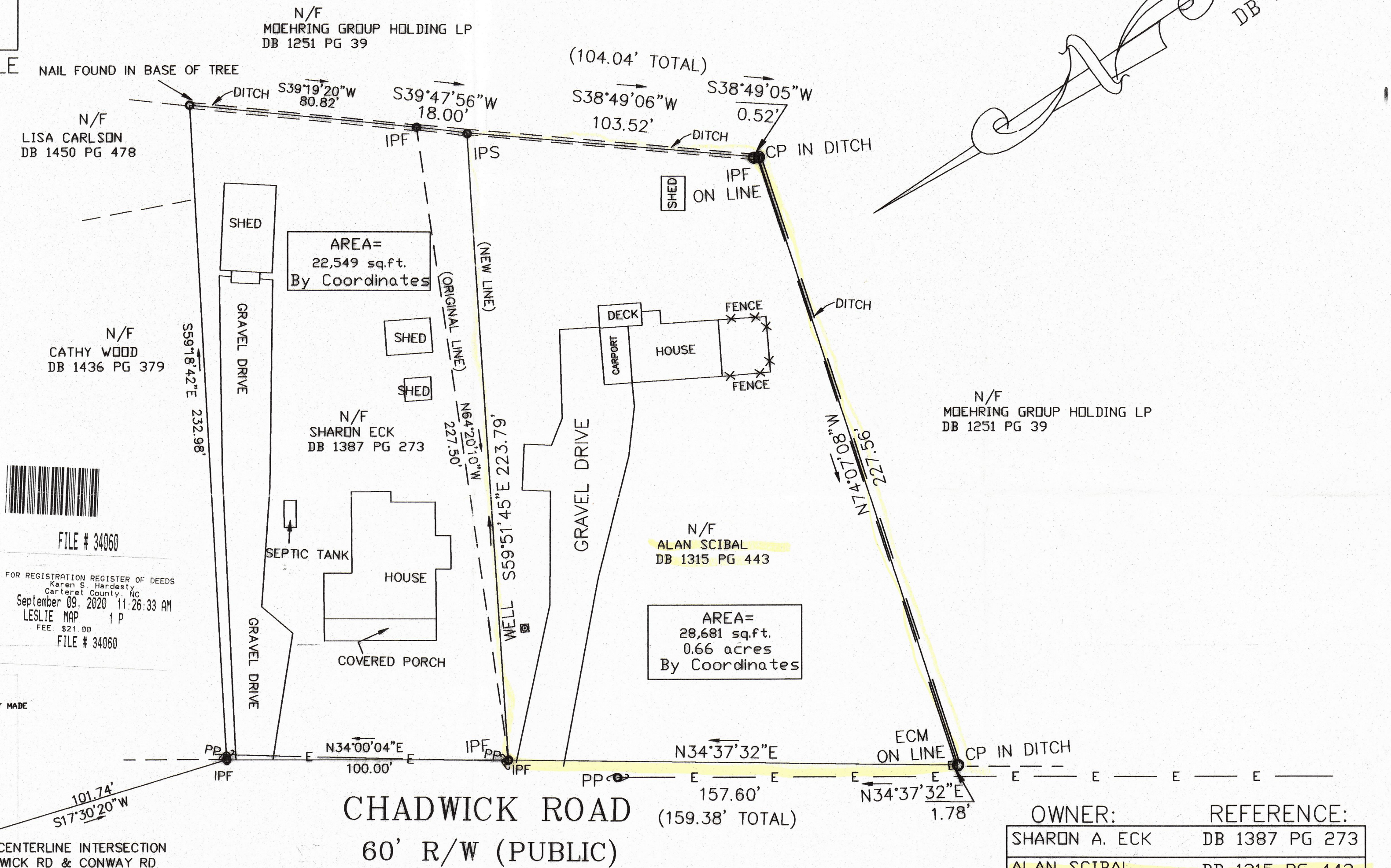
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FILE # 34060
 FOR REGISTRATION REGISTER OF DEEDS
 Karen S. Hardsley
 Carteret County, NC
 September 09, 2020 11:26:33 AM
 LESLIE MAP 1 P
 FEE: \$21.00
 FILE # 34060

"I, THOMAS EDWARD STRICKLAND, III, PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR, CERTIFY THAT THIS PLAT WAS DRAWN UNDER MY SUPERVISION FROM AN ACTUAL SURVEY MADE UNDER MY SUPERVISION (SEE DESCRIPTION REFERENCED AS SHOWN ON THE FACE OF THIS PLAT); THAT THE BOUNDARIES NOT SURVEYED ARE CLEARLY INDICATED AS BROKEN LINES DRAWN FROM INFORMATION FOUND IN BOOK _____ PAGE _____ THAT THE RATIO OF PRECISION AS CALCULATED BY LATITUDES AND DEPARTURES IS 1:1000.00; AND ALL AREAS WERE CALCULATED BY COORDINATE COMPUTATION. THAT THIS PLAT WAS PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH G.S. 47-30 AS AMENDED. WITNESS MY ORIGINAL SIGNATURE, REGISTRATION NUMBER AND SEAL THIS _____ DAY OF _____, A.D., 20____.

Thomas Edward Strickland, III 3/2/14
 THOMAS EDWARD STRICKLAND, III P.L.S. L-3776
 REGISTRATION NUMBER

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF CARTERET
 I, Regan Parloff REVIEW OFFICER
 OF CARTERET COUNTY, CERTIFY THAT THE MAP OR PLAT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATION IS AFFIXED MEETS ALL STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS FOR RECORDING.

Regan Parloff 9/9/2020
 REVIEW OFFICER DATE

NORTH CAROLINA
 CARTERET COUNTY
 FILED FOR REGISTRATION AT 11:26 AM O'CLOCK
 ON THE 9 DAY OF September, 2020
 RECORDED IN MAP BOOK 31 PAGE 60

Karen S. Hardsley by Leslie Falgout
 REGISTER OF DEEDS CARTERET COUNTY deputy

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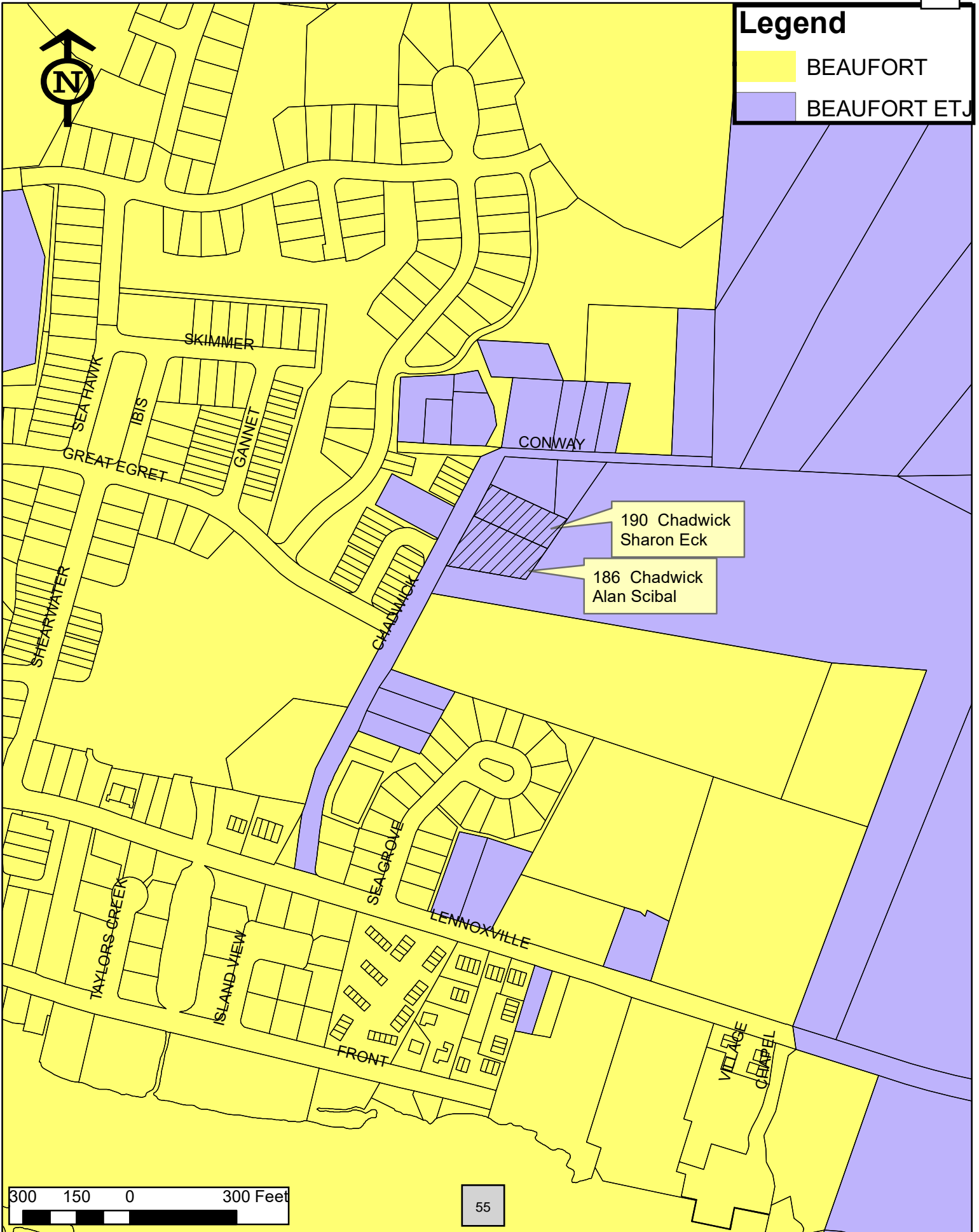
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Nyle Danner, Town Planner 3/12/14
 DIRECTOR OF PLANNING Town of BEAUFORT Date

OWNER:	REFERENCE:
SHARON A. ECK	DB 1387 PG 273
ALAN SCIBAL	DB 1315 PG 443

RECOMBINATION SURVEY FOR ANDY BIRMINGHAM PROPERTIES ON CHADWICK ROAD, BEAUFORT BEAUFORT TWP., CARTERET COUNTY, N.C.	
STRICKLAND SURVEYING, P.A. 4915 ARENDELL ST, STE J PMB 132 MOREHEAD CITY, N.C. 28557 (252) 727-1970 THOMAS EDWARD STRICKLAND III P.L.S.	SURVEYED: 3/2/14 INV# / FB#: 4545 DATE: 3/2/14 SCALE: 1" = 30'

34060

Voluntary Annexation Request - 186 & 190 Chadwick Road





**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CLERK TO INVESTIGATE A PETITION
RECEIVED UNDER G.S. 160A-31**

WHEREAS, a petition requesting annexation of an area described in said petition was received on Oct. 14, 2020 by the Town of Beaufort; and

WHEREAS, G.S. 160A-31 provides that the sufficiency of the petition shall be investigated by the Town Clerk before further annexation proceedings may take place; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Beaufort deems it advisable to proceed in response to this request for annexation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Beaufort that:

The Town Clerk/Deputy Clerk is hereby directed to investigate the sufficiency of the above described petition and to certify as soon as possible to the Board of Commissioners the result of the investigation.

Adopted this 9th day of November 2020.

Mayor Everette S. (Rett) Newton

Rachel Johnson, Deputy Clerk



Town of Beaufort, NC

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**Town of Beaufort Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
6:00 PM Monday, Nov. 9, 2020 – Virtual Meeting via Zoom**

AGENDA CATEGORY: Public Hearing
SUBJECT: Case #20-12 Special Use Permit for a Kennel, Indoor/Outdoor Operation for 102 Professional Park Drive & 1975 Live Oak Street

BRIEF SUMMARY:

The applicant, Austin Vet Clinic, wishes to apply for a Special Use Permit for a Kennel, Indoor/Outdoor Operation for 102 Professional Park Drive & 1975 Live Oak Street. A description of the operation is included in the packet including the hours of operation and the outside area to be used.

At the October 19, 2020 meeting the Planning Board unanimously recommended approval of the Special Use Permit with the following conditions:

- That the indoor kennel area have sound proofing material to dampen the sound of animals and;
- That the vegetative buffer be designed and installed by an arborist to provide sound dampening between the outside area and the residents of Pearl Drive.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Public Hearing Set

Comments will be accepted for 24 hours after the meeting by emailing r.johnson@beaufortnc.org

EXPECTED LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:

10 Minutes

SUBMITTED BY:

Kyle Garner, AICP
Planning & Inspections Director

PLANNING STAFF REPORT

To: Mayor & Board of Commissioners
From: Kyle Garner, AICP, Planning Director
Date: October 20, 2020
Case No.: 20-12

THE REQUEST: Special Use Permit for a Kennel, Indoor/Outdoor Operation for 102 Professional Park Drive & 1975 Live Oak Street

BACKGROUND:

Location: 102 Professional Park Drive & 1975 Live Oak Street
Owner: Lovings Family LLC
Applicant: Austin Vet Clinic
Requested Action: Provide Recommendation to Board of Commissioners
CAMA Land Use: General Commercial
PINs: 731605073874000, 731605075636000
Size: Existing Building 7,800 sq. feet
Existing Land Use: Former Mech Works Office Building
Adjoining Land Use & Zoning: North East– Single-Family Residences; Zoned TR & R-20
South East– Across Live Oak – Varied Commercial Operations zoned B-1 & R-20
South West – By the First Freewill Baptist Church - Zoned TR
North West – Commercial Office & Gym; Zoned TR

SPECIAL INFORMATION: This is an existing building and the business currently exist on Lennoxville Road and is an expansion of that business.

Public Utilities: Water Existing Service
Sanitary Sewer Existing Service

ACTION:

1. Provide consistency statement to the Board of Commissioners; and
2. Provide comments, concerns and suggestions to the Board of Commissioners

Exhibit - A



STAFF COMMENTS:

This application is just for the kennel portion of the vet operation. The other use is considered as permitted use and the existing site meets all standards.

Section 20-B - Special Use Permits (Special Use Permit Application Procedures) requires a complete application to include a site plan.

At their October 19, 2020 meeting the Planning Board recommended of the Special Use Permit with the following conditions:

- **That the indoor kennel area have sound proofing material to dampen the sound of animals and;**
- **That the vegetative buffer be designed and installed by an arborist to provide sound dampening between the outside area and the residents of Pearl Drive.**

SECTION 20 Special Use Permit (*Town of Beaufort Land Development Ordinance*)

E) Required Findings

1) In addition to any other findings or requirements as specified by any other section of this Ordinance, before any application for a special use may be granted or denied, the BOC shall make each of the following findings:

- a) The proposed use is an allowable special use in the zoning district it is being located within;
- b) The application is complete;
- c) The location and character of the use will be in conformity with the Town’s land use plan and other comprehensive planning elements;
- d) Streets, driveways, parking lots, traffic control, and any other traffic circulation features shall be designed and provided in accordance with current traffic engineering standards and Town regulations and found to be adequate for the proposed special use;
- e) The proposed special use will not substantially injure the value of adjoining or abutting properties;
- f) The proposed special use will be compatible and in harmony with adjoining land uses and the development patterns of the immediate area; and,
- g) The proposed use will not materially endanger the public health or safety of the community if located where proposed and developed according to the submitted and approved plan.



CAMA Core Land Use Plan

Generally, growth and land development is anticipated to occur in all future land use categories except for the Conservation/Open Space classification. The type and density/intensity of projected development varies within each Future Land Use Map classification. Future Land Use projections are delineated in Figure 8, Future Land Use Map. The Future Land Use Map classifications are considered part of the Land Use Plan’s policy.

Future Land Use Map Classifications

- **General Commercial Classification.** The General Commercial classification encompasses approximately 0.24 square miles (154 acres) or about 3.3 percent of the planning jurisdiction. The properties classified as General Commercial are located along the Town’s major road corridor--US Highway 70.
- The General Commercial classification is intended to delineate lands that can accommodate a wide range of retail, wholesale, office, business services, and personal services. Areas classified as General Commercial may also include some heavy commercial uses as well as intensive public and institutional land uses. Minimum lot sizes typically range from 5,000 to 8,000 square feet unless a larger minimum lot area is required by the health department for land uses utilizing septic systems. Maximum floor area ratios (the total building floor area divided by the total lot area) range from 0.57 to 0.83. Land uses within General Commercial-designated areas are generally compatible with the B-1, General Business; B-W, Marina Business; and the TR, Transitional zoning districts. Public water service is needed to support the land uses characteristic of this classification. Public sewer service is needed to support the most intensive commercial uses. Streets with the capacity to accommodate higher traffic volumes are necessary to support commercial development.
- General Commercial-classified areas are anticipated to accommodate some of the most intensive land uses found in the Town’s planning jurisdiction. The Town’s goals and policies support the use of land in General Commercial-classified areas for a wide variety of retail and commercial services uses where adequate public utilities and streets are available or can be upgraded to support the intensity of development encouraged in this classification. Public and institutional land uses that support and that are compatible with this type of commercial development are also encouraged.

Use of the Future Land Use Plan Map to Guide Development

In preparing the Future Land Use Map, consideration was given to land development objectives and policies, land suitability, and the ability to provide the infrastructure to support growth and development. The Future Land Use Map depicts the general location of projected patterns of future land uses. The Future Land Use Map is a plan or guideline for the future.

The ultimate use and development of a particular parcel of land will be determined by property owners’ desires, overall market conditions, implementation tools employed by the Town to regulate land use and development (such as the Town’s zoning ordinance, subdivision regulations, flood hazard regulations), the absence of specific natural constraints to development, and the availability of the necessary infrastructure (water, sewer, roads, etc.) to support development.



Consequently, even though the Future Land Use Map may indicate a specific projected use in a particular location, many factors come into play to determine if the projected use is appropriate and the land can be developed as projected. Also, formal amendments to the zoning ordinance and subdivision ordinance will be required to specifically authorize the type of mixed use development envisioned in this Land Use Plan.

Achieving the projected patterns of land use indicated by the Future Land Use Map will be greatly impacted by timing. Much of the projected land use indicated on the Future Land Use Map will not come to fruition without market demand. Therefore, market and economic conditions must be conducive for growth and development. While the Land Use Plan attempts to provide a general expectation of growth based upon projected population change, it simply cannot predict the economic future. The demand for houses, businesses, industries, etc. will fluctuate widely with economic conditions.

The timing of the provision of infrastructure improvements, particularly water and sewer services and roads, will also have a tremendous impact on growth and development. Development will occur where infrastructure is available or can be made available to sustain that development. Consequently, achieving the Future Land Use Map land use projections will depend in large part upon if and when infrastructure is provided. The provision of public infrastructure depends upon the capability to provide the service and demand for the service. Economic climate will be a major factor in both the capability to make infrastructure available and the level of service demand (*Core Land Use Plan*, Section IV: Plan for the Future, pg. 100).

Guide for Land Use Decision Making

The Land Use Plan, as adopted by the elected officials of the Town of Beaufort and as may be amended from time to time, will serve as the primary guide upon which to make land use policy decisions. Every land use policy decision, such as a rezoning request or approval of a conditional or special use permit, will be measured for consistency with the goals, policies, and recommendations of the Plan. The elected officials, Planning Board, Board of Adjustment, and Town staff should utilize the Land Use Plan as the basic policy guide in the administration of the zoning ordinance, subdivision regulations, and other land development regulatory tools. Persons involved in the land development business as well as the general public can also utilize the Land Use Plan to guide private decisions regarding land use and land development.

The policy statements and recommendations of the Land Use Plan can also be of assistance to the elected officials in making long-range decisions regarding such matters as the provision of municipal services, thoroughfare planning, stormwater planning and management, implementation of economic development strategies, recreational facility planning, and preparation of capital and operating budgets.

It should be noted, however, that the Land Use Plan is one of a variety of guides in making a public policy decision. The Plan should be viewed as a tool to aid in decision making and not as the final decision (*Core Land Use Plan*, Section V: Tools for Managing Development, pg. 102).

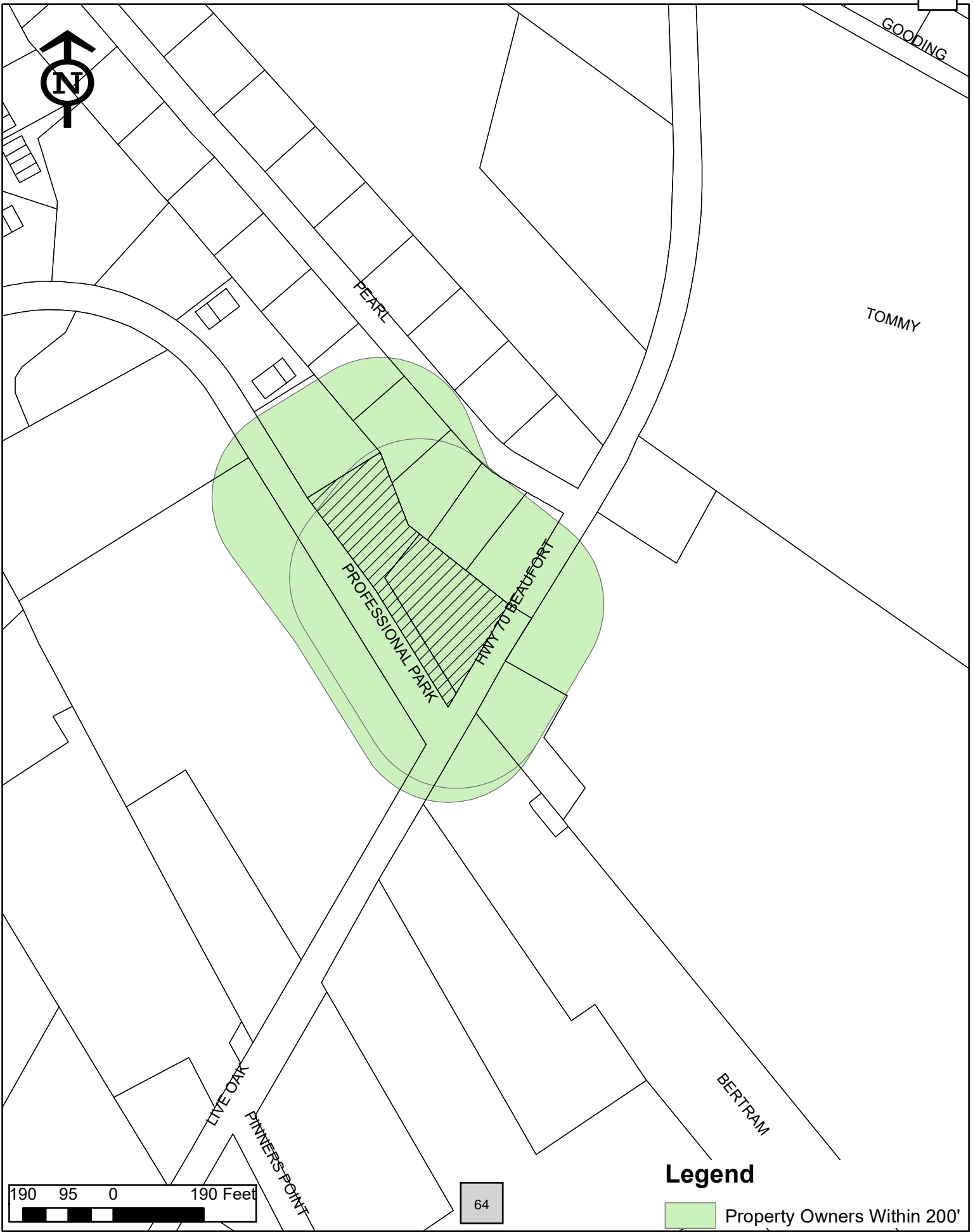


Exhibits:

- Vicinity Map
- Zoning Map
- CAMA Land Use Map
- Application
- Site Plan
- Interior Space Layout
- List of Property Owners within 200 feet

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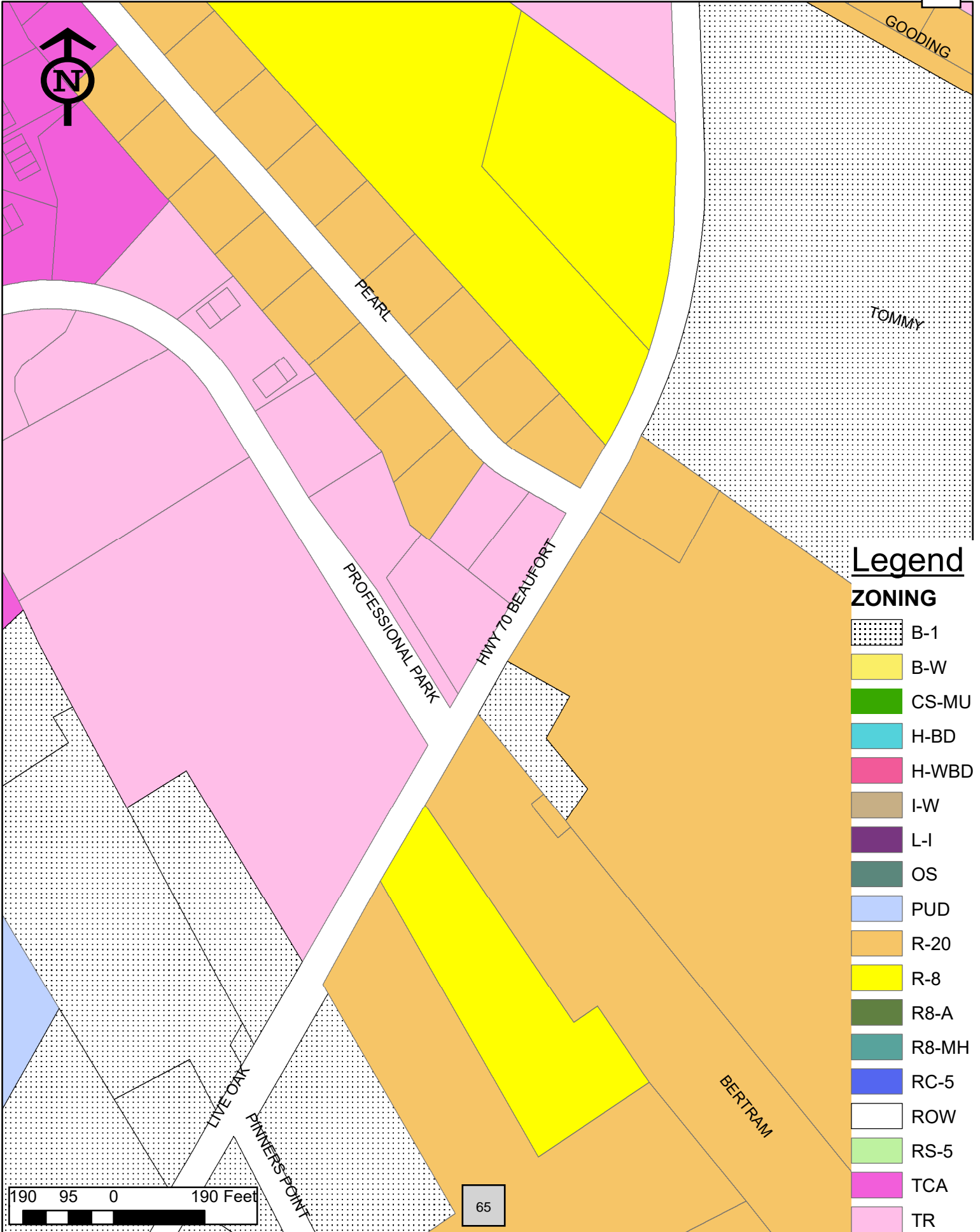
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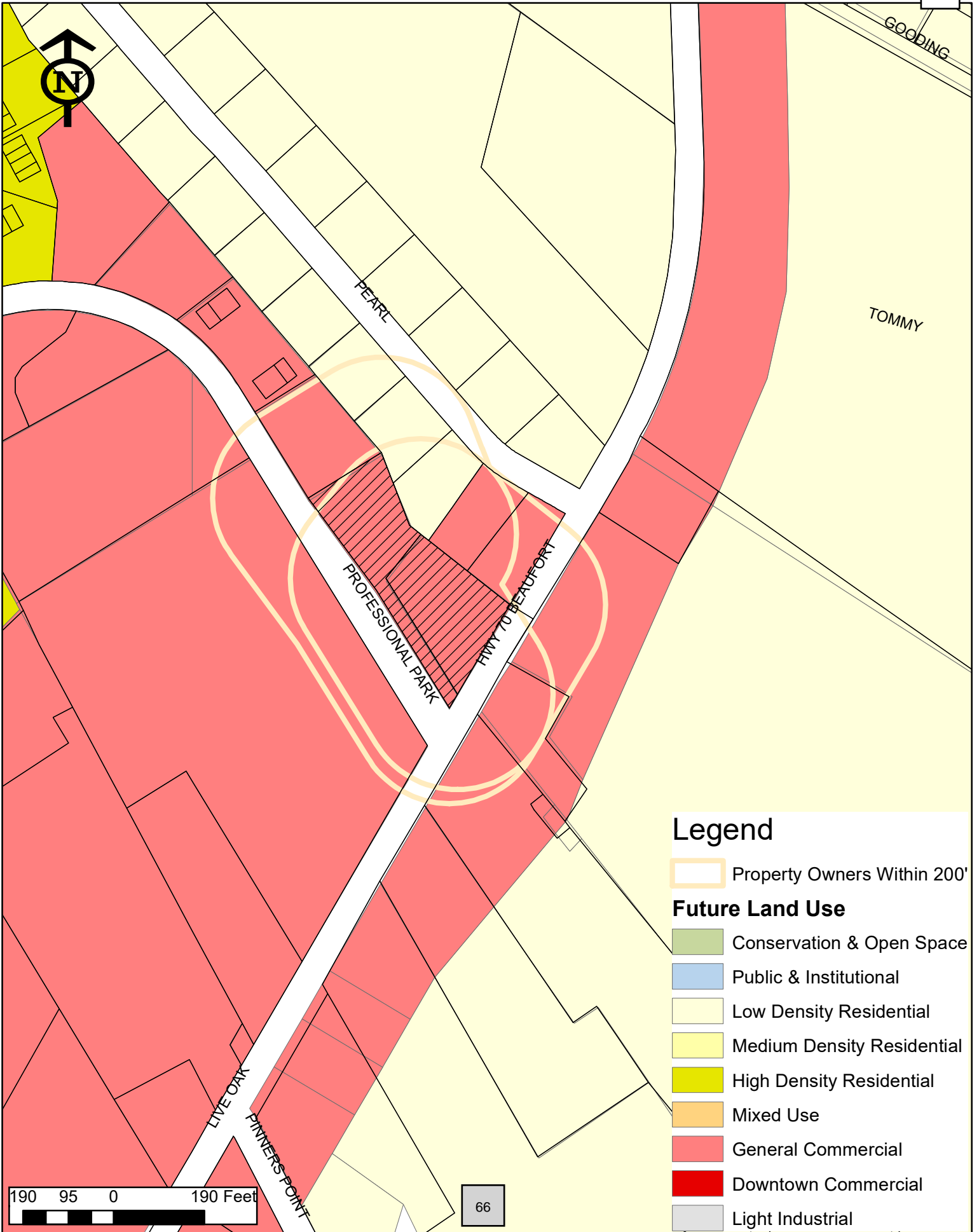


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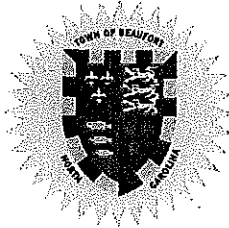
 Property Owners Within 200'

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<u>OWNER</u>	<u>MAIL_HOUSE</u>	<u>MAIL_ST</u>	<u>MAIL_CITY</u>	<u>IL_ST</u>	<u>MAIL_ZI</u>	<u>MAIL_ADD2</u>
BEAUFORT FIRST FWB CHURCH			BEAUFORT	NC	28516	PO BOX 2069
BERTRAM RENTAL PROPERTIES LLC	416	VICTORIA HILLS DR	FUQUAY VARINA	NC	27526	
COASTAL FITNESS & HEALTH INC			BEAUFORT	NC	28516	PO BOX 2126
E&R INVESTMENT PROPERTIES LLC	6410	CHEEK ROAD	DURHAM	NC	27704	
FRANKLIN MASONIC LODGE 109	104	PROFESSIONAL PARK DR	BEAUFORT	NC	28516	
FULCHER,JOEY JR ETUX MEGHAN	105	PEARL DRIVE	BEAUFORT	NC	28516	
GRASSI,FRANK	2004	FARNSTEAD CT	MOREHEAD CITY	NC	28557	
LOVINGS FAMILY LLC			BEAUFORT	NC	28516	PO BOX 2322
NEELY,BERTIE EUBANKS	846	NEELY RD	ASHEBORO	NC	27203	
SPAUD,JOSEPH A ETUX MAUREEN	107	PEARL DR	BEAUFORT	NC	28516	
TAYLOR,GEORGE A ETUX MARIA L/T	238	JONAQUINS DRIVE	BEAUFORT	NC	28516	



APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL USE PERMIT

Instructions:

Please complete the form below including all required attachments, a **\$400.00 application fee**, and return to the Beaufort Town Hall; 701 Front Street; P.O. Box 390; Beaufort, N.C.; 28516. Incomplete applications will not be processed but will be returned to the applicant. Please call Planning and Inspections at (252) 728-2142 if there are any questions.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant Name: Dr. Sam Schmitt / Austin Veterinary Clinic

Applicant Address: 1550 Lennoxville Rd.; Beaufort, NC 28516

Phone Number: #838-9028 Email: Schmitts@vt.edu (cc: same@wilsoncreekrealty.com)

Property Owner Name: Lovings Family, LLC (Ron Lovings)

Address of Property Owner: 2680 Lennoxville Rd.; Beaufort, NC 28516

Phone Number: #732-4140 Email: rlovings@medvetsinc.com

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Property Address: 102 Professional Park Dr. / 1975 Live Oak St.

15-Digit PIN: 731605073874000 Lot/Block #: Deed Books 1329/1339 Pg. No: 417/438

Size of Property (in square feet or acres): 1.087 ac. / 1.36 ac. Current Zoning: TR

Current Use of Property: office/commercial vacant lot Requested Use: medical office w/ boarding facility

An application fee of **\$400.00**, either in cash, money order, or check made payable to the "Town of Beaufort" must accompany this application (a credit card payment can be made in person at Town Hall). The complete application, payment, and supporting materials must be received by Town Staff at least 15 working days prior to a regularly scheduled Planning Board meeting date.

Please refer to the Town's **Land Development Ordinance**, Sections 20 & 27, and all other pertinent sections of the Ordinance for information required to accompany this application. Any plans or documents submitted should be submitted in an electronic or digital format and one printed color copy of such documents submitted with the application.

The town's website address is www.beaufortnc.org.

[Signature]
Applicant Signature

9/23/20
Date of Applicant's Signature

[Signature]
Property Owner Signature (if different than above)

9/23/20
Date of Owner's Signature

OFFICE USE ONLY

Revised 8/2020

Date: _____

Reviewed for Completeness By: _____

Received by: _____

Deemed Complete and Accepted: _____

9.21.2020

Re: Special Use Permit Application

Dear Beaufort Planning Board,

Dr. Sara Austin and Dr. Sam Schmitt, doing business as Austin Veterinary Clinic, in Beaufort are pleased to apply for a special use permit regarding a portion of their planned expanded services at their new veterinary hospital in Beaufort, NC. Due to year over year growth of their existing patient base, along with seeing a need for expanded services in the area, Dr. Austin and Dr. Schmitt have recently entered into a contract to purchase the existing office / commercial building at 102 Professional Park Dr. along with the adjacent vacant lot which has a physical address of 1975 Live Oak Street. Their intention is to up fit the existing building into a first class, full service, veterinary hospital. The planned expansion from their current practice location will help them to satisfy the growing need of both current and future patients in the community.

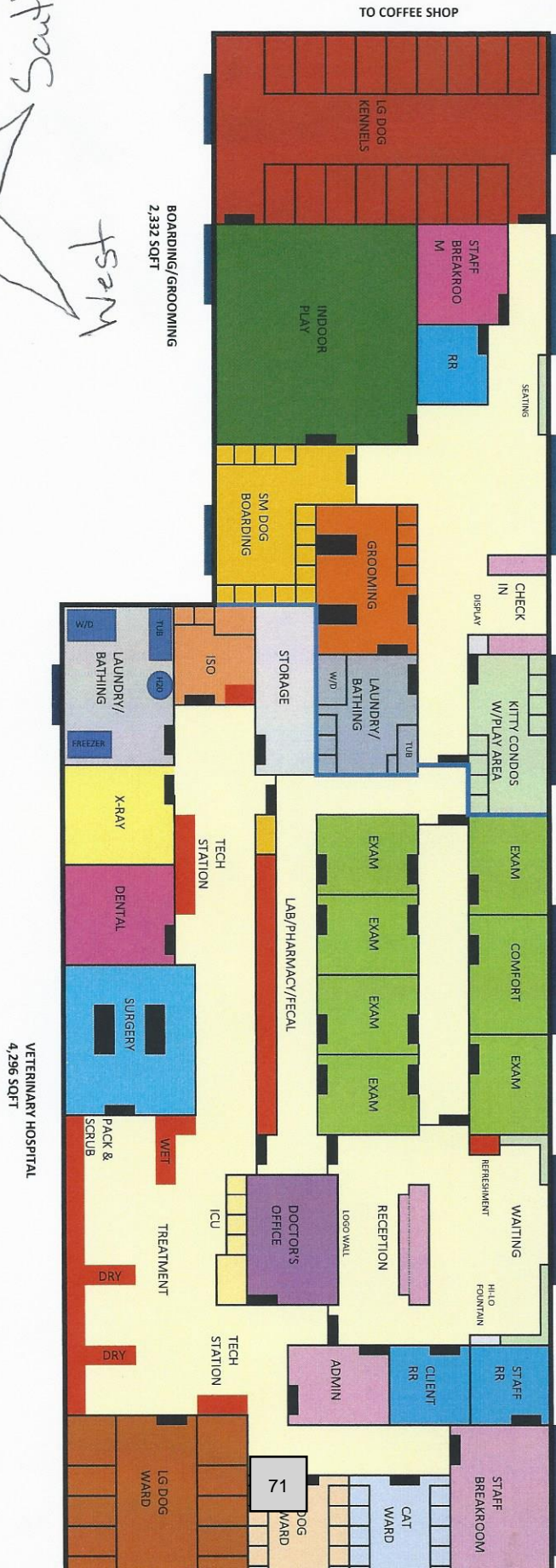
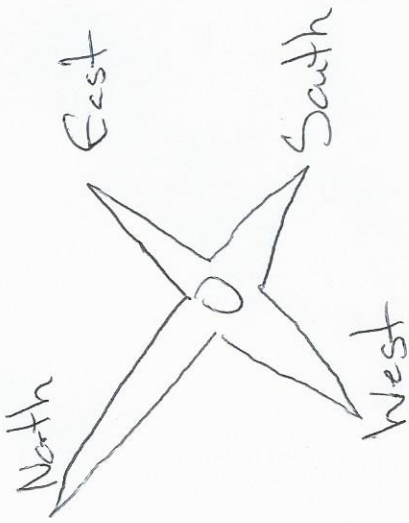
In meeting with town officials, it is our understanding that the hospital / office portion of this intended plan and use is already allowed within the current zoning classification of "Transitional District" (TR). We are applying for a special use permit in order to incorporate a boarding facility at the hospital as well. The portion of the facility that would be dedicated to the boarding of animals can be seen on the attached internal design of the hospital plan, and is approximately about 10% of the total internal operational footprint. There would also be a small outside fenced in area adjacent to the existing building on the vacant lot as seen on the attached site design sketch. Some important facts regarding this plan, and request, are as follows.....

- The exterior of the existing building, parking areas, etc. will remain as they are now. All planned modifications and changes will be internal.
- The proposed boarding facility will plan to accommodate approximately 10 felines and between 10 to 15 canines.
- As seen there is a design plan for an inside play area for the animals within the building so it is not necessary to only limit their exercise and / or rehabilitation to an outside area.
- The outside, fenced in, area will be directly adjacent to the building and be approximately 30' by 50'. It will be a commercial grade privacy fence.
- This outside area will ONLY be utilized when weather permits, and during normal business hours. (9am to 5pm).
- The outside area will never be utilized when staff is not on site.

We look forward to addressing any further questions that may arise during the review process as well as to continue to serve the community and our patients in our new, expanded, facility.

Sincerely,

Dr. Sara Austin / Dr. Sam Schmitt



front of building / parking



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**Town of Beaufort Board of Commissioners Regular Session
6:00 PM November 9, 2020**

AGENDA CATEGORY: Items for Discussion and Consideration
SUBJECT: Cedar Street Utility Rehabilitation and Replacement
Budget Amendment and Bid Award

BRIEF SUMMARY:

Sealed bids for the construction of the Cedar Street Utility Rehabilitation and Replacement Project were received on Thursday, October 29, 2020. The work for which bids were received is to consist of gravity sewer and water main rehabilitations and replacements. The work is being performed in advance of planned street improvements to be constructed by the N.C. Department of Transportation.

Examination of the attached bid tabulation shows that Ralph Hodge Construction Co., Inc. submitted both the lowest base bid as well as, the lowest bid for a potential add alternate item. Accordingly, Town staff recommends award of the utility improvements contract to Ralph Hodge Construction Co., Inc. based upon their bid of \$1,664,170 and the recommendation of award made by the design engineer for the project, Rivers & Associates, Inc. A copy of the written recommendation by Rivers & Associates is provided as an attachment

Two budget amendments are attached that move funds from the Capital Reserve Fund to the Cedar Street Utility Rehabilitation and Replacement Capital Project Fund.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Consider awarding the contract to construct the Cedar Street Utility Rehabilitation and Replacement project to Ralph Hodge Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$1,664,170 and approving budget amendments that move funds from the Capital Reserve Fund to the capital project fund to cover the construction contract amount and a 5 percent contingency.

EXPECTED LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:

5 minutes

SUBMITTED BY:

Greg Meshaw, Town Engineer

BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED:

Yes



ENGINEERS

PLANNERS

SURVEYORS

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

October 30, 2020

Mr. John Day
Town Administrator
Town of Beaufort
701 Front Street
Beaufort, NC 28516

SUBJECT: Town of Beaufort – Cedar Street Utility Rehabilitation and Replacement
Tentative Recommendation of Award
Rivers Project No. 2019075

Dear Mr. Day,

The Advertisement for Bids was published in the *Carteret County News-Times* and the *Greater Diversity News*, in addition to direct solicitation to area contractors and plan rooms. Nine (9) sets of plans and specifications were distributed to the Town, plan rooms, and contractors. A bid opening was held for the subject project at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 29th, 2020 in the Beaufort Train Depot. Three (3) bids were publicly opened and read aloud. The three Bids received were from Ralph Hodge Construction Co., Inc., Jones and Smith Contractors, and Sunland Builders, Inc. as follows:

Contractors:	Total Base Bid	Total Base Bid plus Alternates
Ralph Hodge Construction Co., Inc.	\$1,654,820.00	\$1,664,170.00
Jones and Smith Contractors	\$2,614,415.00 *	\$2,630,415.00 *
Sunland Builders, Inc.	\$2,667,225.00	\$2,677,925.00

**Corrected Total Bid Values Shown*

The bids received from Jones and Smith Contractors had a tabulation error that was corrected. The sealed bid tab reflects the correct totals for the submitted bids.

Enclosed with this letter is a copy of the certified Bid Tabulation Sheet. Based on the bids received, we recommend that the Town of Beaufort issue tentative award to Ralph Hodge Construction Co., Inc. for the bid amount of \$1,664,170.00 to include the total base bid plus the alternate item. Final award of the project should be subject to the approval of the bidder’s qualification documents and approval of the Beaufort Board of Commissioners.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call us at (252) 752-4135. Thank you for this opportunity to serve the Town of Beaufort. We look forward to assisting you in the construction phase of this project.

Sincerely,



Seth Anderson, P.E.
Project Engineer

Enclosures

cc: Greg Meshaw, P.E., Town Engineer, Town of Beaufort (w/o enclosures)
Greg Churchill, P.E., Rivers & Associates (w/o enclosures)
Rivers File 2019075-C (w/ enclosures)

RIVERS AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

CERTIFICATION

BID TABULATION SHEET

OWNER: Town of Beaufort
 PROJECT: Utility Rehabilitation and Replacement

I CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE RECORD OF BIDS RECEIVED.

Seth Anderson 10/30/20



LOCATION: Town of Beaufort - Beaufort Train Depot
 BIDS OPENED: Thursday, October 29, 2020, 2:00pm

CONTRACTOR ADDRESS		Ralph Hodge Construction Co., Inc. 2101 F Miller Road, P.O. Box 1179 Wilson, NC 27894 6271 / 5%		Jones and Smith Contractors 112 W. Fire Tower Rd. Winterville, NC 28590 66110 / 5%		Sunland Builders, Inc. 4846 A HWY 24 E Newport, NC 28570 24941 / 5%	
ITEM NO.	QTY. UNIT DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	COST	UNIT PRICE	COST	UNIT PRICE	COST
1.	1 LS Mobilization (not to exceed 3%)	\$42,500.00	\$42,500.00	\$76,000.00	\$76,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00
2.	520 LF 8" PVC Gravity Sanitary Sewer (0-6)	\$128.00	\$66,560.00	\$150.00	\$78,000.00	\$200.00	\$104,000.00
3.	224 LF 8" PVC Gravity Sanitary Sewer (6-8)	\$140.00	\$31,360.00	\$180.00	\$40,320.00	\$250.00	\$56,000.00
4.	380 LF 8" Pipe Liner	\$83.00	\$31,540.00	\$100.00	\$38,000.00	\$300.00	\$114,000.00
5.	50 LF 10" Pipe Liner	\$250.00	\$12,500.00	\$200.00	\$10,000.00	\$400.00	\$20,000.00
6.	1 EA 20' 8" PVC Gravity Sewer Point Repair (6-8)	\$10,450.00	\$10,450.00	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00
7.	1 EA 70' 10" PVC Gravity Sewer Point Repair (0-6)	\$16,500.00	\$16,500.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00
8.	370 LF Abandon 6" Sanitary Sewer Main w/ Flowable Fill	\$22.00	\$8,140.00	\$110.00	\$40,700.00	\$20.00	\$7,400.00
9.	10 EA 4" Sanitary Sewer Service Wye Connection	\$550.00	\$5,500.00	\$1,200.00	\$12,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$20,000.00
10.	7 EA 4" Sanitary Sewer Inserta Tee	\$3,080.00	\$21,560.00	\$110.00	\$770.00	\$2,000.00	\$14,000.00
11.	3 EA 4" Stainless Steel Saddle Wye	\$3,300.00	\$9,900.00	\$130.00	\$390.00 *	\$1,500.00	\$4,500.00
12.	17 EA 4" PVC Sewer Service Cleanout	\$715.00	\$12,155.00	\$650.00	\$11,050.00	\$1,000.00	\$17,000.00
13.	440 LF 4" PVC Sewer Service Lateral	\$33.00	\$14,520.00	\$70.00	\$30,800.00	\$35.00	\$15,400.00
14.	80 LF 10" Steel Casing	\$127.00	\$10,160.00	\$580.00	\$46,400.00	\$100.00	\$8,000.00
15.	2 EA 4' Diameter Manhole Replacement	\$13,200.00	\$26,400.00	\$12,600.00	\$25,200.00	\$6,000.00	\$12,000.00
16.	3 EA 4' Diameter New Manhole (0-6)	\$6,325.00	\$18,975.00	\$9,800.00	\$29,400.00	\$5,000.00	\$15,000.00
17.	3 EA Manhole Rehabilitation	\$4,400.00	\$13,200.00	\$590.00	\$1,770.00	\$4,000.00	\$12,000.00
18.	4 EA Tie-in to Existing Manholes	\$4,950.00	\$19,800.00	\$5,900.00	\$23,600.00	\$2,500.00	\$10,000.00
19.	2 EA 15" Interference Box	\$7,700.00	\$15,400.00	\$14,000.00	\$28,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$24,000.00
20.	400 LF 2" PVC Water Main	\$22.00	\$8,800.00	\$54.00	\$21,600.00	\$25.00	\$10,000.00
21.	75 LF 4" PVC Water Main	\$22.00	\$1,650.00	\$59.00	\$4,425.00	\$25.00	\$1,875.00
22.	25 LF 4" RJDIP Water Main	\$110.00	\$2,750.00	\$115.00	\$2,875.00	\$100.00	\$2,500.00
23.	1,300 LF 6" PVC Water Main	\$34.00	\$44,200.00	\$79.00	\$102,700.00	\$60.00	\$78,000.00
24.	200 LF 6" RJPVC Water Main	\$44.00	\$8,800.00	\$140.00	\$28,000.00	\$50.00	\$10,000.00

RIVERS AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

BID TABULATION SHEET

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ITEM NO.	QTY. UNIT DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	COST	UNIT PRICE	COST	UNIT PRICE	COST
25.	850 LF 6" DIP Water Main	\$55.00	\$46,750.00	\$124.00	\$105,400.00	\$60.00	\$51,000.00
26.	930 LF 6" RJDIP Water Main	\$71.00	\$66,030.00	\$151.00	\$140,430.00	\$250.00	\$232,500.00
27.	45 LF 8" RJDIP Water Main	\$105.00	\$4,725.00	\$159.00	\$7,155.00	\$250.00	\$11,250.00
28.	7 EA 2" Ball Valve w/ Operating Nut and Valve Box	\$880.00	\$6,160.00	\$1,600.00	\$11,200.00	\$1,000.00	\$7,000.00
29.	3 EA 4" Gate Valve w/ Box	\$1,250.00	\$3,750.00	\$2,430.00	\$7,290.00	\$2,000.00	\$6,000.00
30.	20 EA 6" Gate Valve w/ Box	\$1,450.00	\$29,000.00	\$3,100.00	\$62,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$70,000.00
31.	2 EA 8" Gate Valve w/ Box	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,290.00	\$8,580.00	\$3,000.00	\$6,000.00
32.	4 EA 6" Tapping Tee and Valve w/ Box	\$5,650.00	\$22,600.00	\$6,000.00	\$24,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$24,000.00
33.	2 EA 6" Inserta Valve w/ Box	\$16,500.00	\$33,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$30,000.00
34.	1 EA 8" Inserta Valve w/ Box	\$18,150.00	\$18,150.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
35.	1 EA 6" Water Main Cut-in	\$6,600.00	\$6,600.00	\$7,800.00	\$7,800.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
36.	7 EA 2" Water Service Connection	\$1,980.00	\$13,860.00	\$1,800.00	\$12,600.00	\$2,000.00	\$14,000.00
37.	4 EA Tie-in to 2" Water Main	\$3,300.00	\$13,200.00	\$3,500.00	\$14,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$10,000.00
38.	1 EA Tie-in to 4" Water Main	\$3,850.00	\$3,850.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
39.	5 EA Tie-in to 6" Water Main	\$4,950.00	\$24,750.00	\$5,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$25,000.00
40.	1 EA Tie-in to 8" Water Main	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00
41.	1 EA 2" Post Hydrant Blow-off Assembly	\$3,080.00	\$3,080.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
42.	2 EA 2" Temporary Blow-off Assembly	\$1,650.00	\$3,300.00	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$6,000.00
43.	3 EA New Fire Hydrant Assembly	\$5,720.00	\$17,160.00	\$11,500.00	\$34,500.00	\$6,000.00	\$18,000.00
44.	4 EA Remove/Replace Fire Hydrant Assembly	\$7,950.00	\$31,800.00	\$13,500.00	\$54,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$16,000.00
45.	2,540 LF Abandon 6" Water Main with Flowable Fill	\$14.00	\$35,560.00	\$90.00	\$228,600.00	\$25.00	\$63,500.00
46.	7,500 LB Miscellaneous Ductile Iron Fittings	\$5.00	\$37,500.00	\$20.00	\$150,000.00	\$10.00	\$75,000.00
47.	54 EA 1" Water Service Connection / Change Over	\$825.00	\$44,550.00	\$2,800.00	\$151,200.00	\$1,000.00	\$54,000.00

RIVERS AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

BID TABULATION SHEET

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LIC#/BID BOND								
ITEM NO.	QTY.	UNIT DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	COST	UNIT PRICE	COST	UNIT PRICE	COST
48.	1,395 LF	1" Water Service Tubing	\$17.00	\$23,715.00	\$12.00	\$16,740.00	\$20.00	\$27,900.00
49.	1 EA	2" Water Service Connection / Change Over	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00	\$240.00	\$240.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
50.	400 LF	2" PVC Water Service Casing Pipe	\$28.00	\$11,200.00	\$24.00	\$9,600.00	\$6.00	\$2,400.00
51.	50 LF	2" PVC Water Service	\$11.00	\$550.00	\$54.00	\$2,700.00	\$20.00	\$1,000.00
52.	10 EA	Water Meter Box	\$95.00	\$950.00	\$258.00	\$2,580.00	\$150.00	\$1,500.00
53.	10 EA	Standard Water Meter Installation	\$1,675.00	\$16,750.00	\$258.00	\$2,580.00	\$400.00	\$4,000.00
54.	2 EA	2" Water Meter Installation w/ Box	\$3,850.00	\$7,700.00	\$860.00	\$1,720.00	\$400.00	\$800.00
55.	100 CY	Stabilization Stone	\$82.00	\$8,200.00	\$48.00	\$4,800.00	\$100.00	\$10,000.00
56.	200 CY	Select Backfill	\$27.00	\$5,400.00	\$38.00	\$7,600.00	\$60.00	\$12,000.00
57.	190 SY	Concrete Sidewalk Replacement	\$72.00	\$13,680.00	\$80.00	\$15,200.00	\$60.00	\$11,400.00
58.	100 LF	24" Concrete Curb & Gutter Replacement	\$33.00	\$3,300.00	\$30.00	\$3,000.00	\$70.00	\$7,000.00
59.	480 LF	30" Concrete Curb & Gutter Replacement	\$39.00	\$18,720.00	\$37.00	\$17,760.00	\$60.00	\$28,800.00
60.	4,390 LF	Asphalt Pavement Replacement (NCDOT/Concrete Subgrade)	\$83.00	\$364,370.00	\$121.00	\$531,190.00	\$150.00	\$658,500.00
61.	560 LF	Asphalt Pavement Replacement (non-NCDOT)	\$44.00	\$24,640.00	\$29.00	\$16,240.00	\$150.00	\$84,000.00
62.	4,950 LF	Sawcut and Remove Asphalt	\$16.50	\$81,675.00	\$12.00	\$59,400.00	\$20.00	\$99,000.00
63.	4,400 LF	Sawcut and Remove Concrete	\$16.50	\$72,600.00	\$12.00	\$52,800.00	\$20.00	\$88,000.00
64.	20 TN	Additional Aggregate Base Course	\$55.00	\$1,100.00	\$48.00	\$960.00	\$100.00	\$2,000.00
65.	50 LF	Gravel Driveway	\$22.00	\$1,100.00	\$15.00	\$750.00	\$50.00	\$2,500.00
66.	50 LF	Concrete Driveway	\$192.50	\$9,625.00	\$161.00	\$8,050.00	\$200.00	\$10,000.00
67.	80 LF	Asphalt Driveway	\$93.50	\$7,480.00	\$150.00	\$12,000.00	\$150.00	\$12,000.00
68.	20 LF	15" RCP	\$55.00	\$1,100.00	\$180.00	\$3,600.00	\$200.00	\$4,000.00
69.	20 LF	24" RCP	\$101.50	\$2,030.00	\$210.00	\$4,200.00	\$250.00	\$5,000.00
70.	20 LF	30" RCP	\$143.00	\$2,860.00	\$240.00	\$4,800.00	\$350.00	\$7,000.00

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71.	20 LF 36" RCP	\$181.50	\$3,630.00	\$270.00	\$5,400.00	\$400.00	\$8,000.00
72.	40 EA Curb Inlet Sediment Barrier	\$330.00	\$13,200.00	\$550.00	\$22,000.00	\$400.00	\$16,000.00
73.	50 LF Silt Fence	\$11.00	\$550.00	\$15.00	\$750.00	\$30.00	\$1,500.00
74.	1 LS Electrical Pole Holding Allowance		\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00
75.	1 LS Testing Allowance		\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00
76.	1 LS Traffic Signal Electrical Allowance		\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00
TOTAL BASE BID			\$1,654,820.00		\$2,614,415.00 *		\$2,667,225.00
1.	1 EA 20' 8" PVC Gravity Sewer Point Repair (0-6)	\$9,350.00	\$9,350.00	\$16,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$10,700.00	\$10,700.00
TOTAL BASE BID PLUS ALTERNATES			\$1,664,170.00		\$2,630,415.00 *		\$2,677,925.00
MB Contractors		Garris Grading & Paving				Sherry's Seeding & Grass Cutting	
MBE Participation		5950 Gay Road, Farmville, NC				Inc., Stella, NC	
		\$246,280.00		\$0.00		\$16,000.00	
Listing of Good Faith Efforts (MB-2)		65		60		60	
Subcontractors List		SUBMITTED		NOT SUBMITTED		NOT SUBMITTED	
Bid Security		SUBMITTED		SUBMITTED		SUBMITTED	
E-Verify and Iran Divestment Forms		SUBMITTED		NOT SUBMITTED		NOT SUBMITTED	

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**TOWN OF BEAUFORT
CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET AMEDNMENT #1
CEDAR STREET UTILITY REHABILITATION AND REPLACEMENT**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners by the Town of Beaufort that the following Capital Project Budget Ordinance is adopted in accordance with Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina for Cedar Street Utility Rehab and Replacement.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners recognizes that periodic modifications to the revenues and expenditures for capital projects may be necessary for fiscal management purposes and to implement the decisions of the Board of Commissioners;

BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED that the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Beaufort amends the Capital Project Fund for Cedar Street Utility Rehab and Replacement as follows:

SECTION I: REVNUUE

Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund to fund Cedar Street Utility Rehab and Replacement administrative and construction cost

INCREASE

TRANSFER FOM CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	\$ 1,869,378
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 1,869,378

SECTION II: EXPENDITURES

INCREASE

ADMIN/LEGAL	\$ 49,000
CONSTRUCTION	\$ 1,820,378
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 1,869,378

SECTION III: DISTRIBUTION

Copies of this ordinance shall be furnished to the Town Manager and Finance Officer to be kept on file for their direction in the disbursement of funds for carrying out this project.

Adopted this 9th day of November 2020.

ATTEST:

Rachel Johnson
Deputy Town Clerk

Everette S. Newton
Mayor



TOWN OF BEAUFORT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND AMENDMENT #6

WHEREAS, the Town of Beaufort adopted a Capital Reserve Fund Ordinance for Bulkhead/Board Walk Project, Utility Line Improvement Project, and Street Resurfacing Project on May 13, 2019, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners recognizes that periodic modifications to the revenues and expenditures for capital projects may be necessary for fiscal management purposes and to implement the decisions of the Board of Commissioners;

BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED that the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Beaufort amend the Capital Reserve Fund for the Bulkhead/Board Walk Project, Utility Line Improvement Project, and Street Resurfacing Project as follows:

- Transfer funds from Capital Reserve Fund to Capital Project Fund – Cedar Street Utility Rehab/Replacement.
 - Construction Admin Services \$ 39,000
 - Inspection Representation \$ 73,000
 - Estimated Construction Cost \$1,747,378
 - Change order for Professional Services Agreement \$ 10,000
 - **Total \$1,869,378**

SECTION II: EXPENDITURES

<u>DECREASE</u>	
FUTURE CAPITAL OUTLAY FOR Utility Line Project.....	\$ 1,869,378
TOTAL DECREASE.....	\$ 1,869,378
<u>INCREASE</u>	
TRANSFER TO CPF- Cedar Street Utility Rehab/Replacement.....	\$ 1,869,378
TOTAL INCREASE.....	\$ 1,869,378

SECTION III: DISTRIBUTION

Copies of this ordinance shall be furnished to the Town Manager/Finance Officer, Assistant Town Manager, and the Deputy Finance Officer to be kept on file by them for their direction in the disbursement of funds for carrying out this project:

Adopted this 9th day of November 2020

ATTEST:

Rachel Johnson
Deputy Town Clerk

Everette S. Newton
Mayor



Town of Beaufort, NC

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**Town of Beaufort Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
6:00 PM Nov. 9, 2020**

AGENDA CATEGORY: Items for Discussion and Consideration
SUBJECT: Homer Smith Marina Covenant Amendment

BRIEF SUMMARY:

At the September 28th and October 26th Work Sessions the Board discussed a request from Homer Smith Marina for the town to support NCDOT abandoning 19,409 square feet of ROW, which would be used for parking needed to support an expansion of the marina. In exchange, the owner offered to contribute \$125,000 toward the construction of the restroom/kiosk at the new Cedar Street Park, and agreed to other conditions described in the attached Homer Smith Marina Expansion Agreement Summary

The Board asked the Town Attorney and staff to draft an amendment to the 2011 covenant between the Town and Homer Smith Marina that governs the maximum number of slips permitted to be constructed so that there may be an increase in the total number of slips to 178.

Two optional amendments are attached for review and consideration – one requiring phasing of construction (as presented on Oct. 26) and one that does not require phasing (in response to discussion at the Oct. 26 meeting). The original covenant is also attached.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Consider approval of amendment of the covenant between Homer Smith Marina and the Town.

EXPECTED LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:

15 minutes

SUBMITTED BY:

John Day, Town Manager

BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED:

No

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Prepared by:
Grady Quattlebaum, PLLC
244-A Craven Street
New Bern, N.C.

Revenue Stamps: N/A
Parcel ID #:
Type of Instrument: S/INS
Grantor’s Primary Residence:
NO

Return to: Grady Quattlebaum, PLLC, 244-A Craven St., New Bern, NC

Address of Town of Beaufort: c/o Grady Quattlebaum, PLLC, 244-A Craven St., New Bern, NC

Address of Homer Smith, LLC & Homer Smith’s Docks and Marina Club, Inc.: P. O. Box 68,
Salter Path, NC

AMENDMENT TO COVENANT

THIS AMENDMENT TO COVENANT is made and entered into effective as of _____
_____, 2020, by and between **TOWN OF BEAUFORT, HOMER SMITH, LLC, and HOMER SMITH’S
DOCKS and MARINA CLUB, INC.** as follows:

WITNESSETH:

ARTICLE I
Recitals

1.1 Beaufort and Homer Smith, LLC, previously executed a Covenant (“Covenant”) recorded in Book 1402, Page 13 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Carteret County, North Carolina.

1.2 Section 3.3 of the Covenant provides that it may be amended by written instrument

approved by both Beaufort and Homer Smith, LLC.

1.3 The Homer Smith Marina currently contains 85 Wet Slips and 10 transient slips.

1.4 Homer Smith, LLC proposes to expand the Homer Smith Marina, and such expansion will bring the total number of Wet Slips to 141, the total number of transient slips to 33 and the total number of refueling/pump-out slips to 4.

1.5 In order to expand the Homer Smith Marina, Homer Smith desires to acquire from the North Carolina Department of Transportation +/-19,409 square feet of right-of-way (“ROW”) of Cedar Street.

1.6 Homer Smith has requested Beaufort to agree to amend the Covenant to permit additional Wet Slips and to consent to the transfer of the ROW, and Beaufort has so agreed, provided certain terms and conditions as herein set forth are met.

1.7 Subsequent to the effective date of the Covenant, Homer Smith conveyed a portion of the Homer Smith Property to Homer Smith’s Docks and Marina Club, Inc., which joins in the execution of this Amendment to acknowledge that this Amendment continues to bind the real property so conveyed.

1.8 The parties hereto execute this Amendment to covenant (“Amendment”) to memorialize their agreements herein described.

ARTICLE II
Definitions

All capitalized terms used herein shall have the same meaning set forth in the Covenant, provided any terms in this Amendment contained in quotes shall be defined as so designated.

ARTICLE III
Amendments

Beaufort and Homer Smith, LLC, agree the Covenant shall be amended by restating and amending Section 3.2 of the Covenant to read as follows:

3.2 (a) Limit on Numbers of Slips: Homer Smith covenants and agrees with Beaufort that the number of Wet Slips in the Homer Smith Marina will not, without the written consent of Beaufort,

exceed 141 Wet Slips, 33 transient slips and 4 refueling/pump-out slips, with the addition of slips after January 1, 2021 to be “phased” as herein provided and subject to the conditions set forth below.

3.2 (b) Phasing of Expansion: The Homer Smith Marina may be expanded in phases as follows: (i) a first phase (“First Phase”) which will result in the Homer Smith Marina consisting of no more than 113 Wet Slips, 33 transient slips and 4 refueling/pump-out slips and (ii) a second phase (“Second Phase”) which will result in the Homer Smith Marina consisting of no more than 141 Wet Slips, 33 transient slips and 4 refueling/pump-out slips. Homer Smith may not begin construction on the Second Phase within twenty-four (24) months after the issuance of a final certificate of occupancy for all slips constructed in the First Phase. In no event shall the Homer Smith Marina contain more than 141 Wet Slips, 33 transient slips and 4 refueling/pump out slips.

3.2 (c) Other Legal Requirements for Expansion: Any additional Wet Slips constructed for the Homer Smith Marina shall meet all federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations, including but not limited to the Land Development Ordinance of Beaufort and the North Carolina Coastal Management Act.

3.2 (d) No Waiver: This Amendment shall not be construed as an implicit or explicit approval by Beaufort under any ordinance or development regulation of Beaufort, including but not limited to the Land Development Ordinance of Beaufort.

3.2 (e) Parking: Homer Smith Marina employees, agents, guests, owners, tenants and invitees (collectively “Patrons”) shall be prohibited while using the Homer Smith Marina from parking on Cedar Street or within any parking lot or area owned or operated by Beaufort. Homer Smith shall require all vehicles of all Patrons to display a window decal so that Beaufort may enforce this Section 3.2(e). Homer Smith shall construct a vegetive buffer and fence between its parking area, Cedar Street and Beaufort’s real property described in Deed recorded in Book 333, Page 328, Office of the Register of Deeds of Carteret County, North Carolina, such vegetive buffer and fencing to meet with the written approval of Beaufort. The parking area for the Homer Smith Marina shall contain a separate locked entrance on the western side of same, and use of such entrance shall be restricted to (a) service providers and (b) law enforcement and other first responders.

3.2 (f) Consent to transfer: Beaufort shall execute such documents as may be reasonably

necessary to demonstrate to the North Carolina Department of Transportation Beaufort’s consent to the transfer of the ROW.

3.2 (g) Donation: Upon execution of this amendment, Homer Smith shall donate to Beaufort the sum of one hundred twenty-five and 00/100 (\$125,000.00). Beaufort shall designate such funds to be used exclusively for the benefit of Cedar Street Park.

3.2(h) Amendment Runs with the Land: This Covenant shall apply to the Homer Smith Property and the riparian area appurtenant to and/or adjacent to the Homer Smith Property and will run with the title to the Homer Smith Property and the riparian area appurtenant to and/or adjacent to the Homer Smith Property, including but not limited to that portion of the Homer Smith Property heretofore conveyed to Homer Smith’s Docks and Marina Club, Inc.

3.2(i) Contingency to Effectiveness: This Amendment’s effectiveness, including specifically but not limited to the obligations set forth in 3.2(g) & 3.2(h), is contingent upon Homer Smith receiving a special use permit from Beaufort authorizing the expansion of the Homer Smith Marina as herein contemplated.

ARTICLE IV
Remaining Terms of Covenant

Except as expressly herein modified and amended, all provisions of the Covenant shall remain in full force effect.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, Beaufort and Homer Smith, LLC have each executed this instrument in such form as to be binding.

HOMER SMITH, LLC

By: _____
Tony Frost, Manager

HOMER SMITH’S DOCKS AND MARINA CLUB, INC.

By: _____

Tony Frost, _____

TOWN OF BEAUFORT

By: _____
Everette Newton, Mayor

(TOWN SEAL)

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The undersigned Notary Public does hereby certify that **TONY FROST** personally appeared before such Notary Public this day in the State of North Carolina and County of Carteret and acknowledged (i) that he is a Manager of **HOMER SMITH, LLC**, a limited liability company, and (ii) that by authority duly given and as the act of such limited liability company, he signed the foregoing instrument in the name of such limited liability company on such limited liability company's behalf as its act and deed.

WITNESS my hand and notarial seal, this _____ day of _____, 2020.

My Commission Expires:

NOTARY PUBLIC



NOTARY SEAL/STAMP MUST APPEAR
LEGIBLY IN BOX TO RIGHT

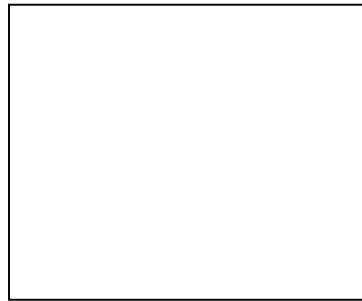
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The undersigned Notary Public does hereby certify that on the ____ day of _____, 2020, **EVERETTE NEWTON**, with whom I am personally acquainted, personally appeared before me in the State of North Carolina and the County of Carteret and, being by me duly sworn, says that he is the Mayor for the **TOWN OF BEAUFORT**, and that _____ is the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, the body politic and corporate described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; that she knows the common seal of said body politic and corporate; that the seal affixed to the foregoing instrument is said common seal; that the name of the body politic and corporate was subscribed thereto by the said Mayor that the said common seal was affixed, all by order of the Board of Commissioners of said body politic and corporate; and that the said instrument is the act and deed of said body politic and corporate.

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(TOWN SEAL)

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The undersigned Notary Public does hereby certify that **TONY FROST** personally appeared before such Notary Public this day in the State of North Carolina and County of Carteret and acknowledged (i) that he is a Manager of **HOMER SMITH, LLC**, a limited liability company, and (ii) that by authority duly given and as the act of such limited liability company, he signed the foregoing instrument in the name of such limited liability company on such limited liability company's behalf as its act and deed.

WITNESS my hand and notarial seal, this _____ day of _____, 2020.

My Commission Expires:

NOTARY PUBLIC



NOTARY SEAL/STAMP MUST APPEAR
LEGIBLY IN BOX TO RIGHT

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The undersigned Notary Public does hereby certify that **TONY FROST** personally appeared before such Notary Public this day in the State of North Carolina and County of Carteret and acknowledged (i) that he is _____ of **HOMER SMITH'S DOCKS AND MARINA CLUB, INC.**, a corporation, and (ii) that by authority duly given and as the act of such corporation, he signed the foregoing instrument in the name of such corporation on such corporation's behalf as its act and deed.

WITNESS my hand and notarial seal, this _____ day of _____, 2020.

My Commission Expires:

NOTARY PUBLIC



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The undersigned Notary Public does hereby certify that on the ____ day of _____, 2020, **EVERETTE NEWTON**, with whom I am personally acquainted, personally appeared before me in the State of North Carolina and the County of Carteret and, being by me duly sworn, says that he is the Mayor for the **TOWN OF BEAUFORT**, and that _____ is the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, the body politic and corporate described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; that she knows the common seal of said body politic and corporate; that the seal affixed to the foregoing instrument is said common seal; that the name of the body politic and corporate was subscribed thereto by the said Mayor that the said common seal was affixed, all by order of the Board of Commissioners of said body politic and corporate; and that the said instrument is the act and deed of said body politic and corporate.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this the ____ day of _____, 2020.

My Commission Expires:

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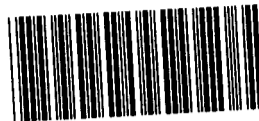
Homer Smith Marina Expansion Agreement Summary October 21, 2020

Homer Smith Marina desires to expand its marina from 85 to 178 slips and replace the fish house with a clubhouse for marina patrons. Of the 178 slips, 4 will be reserved for fueling and pump-out, and 33 for transient boaters, with construction of the latter funded through a Boating Infrastructure Grant.

Following is a summary of provisions of the amendment to the 2011 covenant between Homer Smith Marina and the Town of Beaufort governing the number of slips that may be developed by Homer Smith Marina:

1. Marina patrons will be required to adhere a marina parking decal to their vehicle, making any marina patrons parking in the Cedar Street Parking lot identifiable.
2. Homer Smith Marina will construct a vegetative buffer between its parking lot and the Cedar Street Park parking lot that exceeds the Town's development requirements, and also construct a fence.
3. Homer Smith Marina will place a gate at the proposed west parking lot entrance. The gate would be locked and only accessible to fire, police, trash removal service, and large delivery vehicles.
4. Homer Smith Marina will donate \$125,000 toward the construction of a restroom/kiosk building at Cedar Street Park at the time of execution of the amendment.
5. The expansion of the marina will take place in two phases. The first phase will allow for up to 150 slips, including 33 slips for transient vessels and 4 slips for refueling and waste pump-outs. The second phase will allow for an additional 28 slips, construction of which may not commence sooner than 24 months after the certificate of occupancy is issued for phase 1.
6. The Town will endorse Homer Smith Marina's request to NCDOT that it abandon 19,409 square feet of adjacent ROW.
7. The agreement becomes effective upon issuance of a special use permit to Homer Smith Marina for expansion of slips.

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FILE # 1402013

NORTH CAROLINA, CARTERET COUNTY
This instrument and this certificate are duly filed at
the date and time and in the Book and Page shown
on the first page hereof.

Joy Lawrence, Register of Deeds
By [Signature]
Asst. Deputy Register of Deeds

FOR REGISTRATION REGISTER OF DEEDS
Joy Lawrence
Carteret County, NC
March 06, 2012 04:28:02 PM
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FEE: \$26.00
FILE # 1402013

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COVENANT

COUNTY OF CARTERET

This Covenant is made for purposes of reference this the
21st day of October, 2011 by and between the Town of Beaufort, a
North Carolina municipal corporation, and Homer Smith, LLC, a
North Carolina limited liability company.

Article I

DEFINITIONS

As used in this Covenant, the following terms are defined
as described:

- 1.1 "1/4 Rule" shall mean the regulation issued by the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources published at 15A NCAC 07H .0208 (b) (6) (G) (iii) which, with certain exceptions, limits pier and docking facility lengths to 1/4 the width of the body of water in which such facilities are located.
- 1.2 "Beaufort" shall mean the Town of Beaufort, North Carolina.
- 1.3 "CAMA" shall mean the Coastal Area Management Act (N.C.G.S. 113A-100, et seq.) and any successor or replacement legislation that regulates the

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construction, maintenance or operation of marinas in public trust waters of North Carolina.

- 1.4 "Contested Case" shall mean the proceeding in the North Carolina Office of Administrative Hearings, file number 10 EHR 8547, captioned Beaufort Partners, LLC & John Gardner v. DCM & Homer Smith, LLC wherein Beaufort Partners challenges the validity or scope of the Homer Smith, LLC CAMA Permit.
- 1.5 "DCM" shall mean the Division of Coastal Management of the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources "DENR").
- 1.6 "Homer Smith, LLC ("Homer Smith, LLC or Homer Smith")", is a North Carolina limited liability company.
- 1.7 "Homer Smith, LLC CAMA Permit" shall mean that major development permit No. 114-10 issued to Homer Smith, LLC on October 15, 2010 for construction of an 85 wet-slip marina and associated facilities on the Homer Smith, LLC Property and extending into the public trust waters of Town Creek adjacent thereto.
- 1.8 "Homer Smith Marina" shall mean the system of piers, docks, pilings and related structures permitted for construction and operation in the waters of Town Creek adjacent to the Homer Smith, LLC Property (as defined below) as well as the related facilities constructed or maintained on the Homer Smith, LLC Property.
- 1.9 "Homer Smith, LLC Property" is that real property, and the riparian area appurtenant thereto, in the Town of Beaufort, Carteret County, North Carolina and more particularly described in that certain deed, dated January 10, 2008, and recorded in Book 1254, beginning at Page 222, Carteret County Registry.
- 1.10 "Municipal Pierhead Line" shall mean the line described in more detail below on the south side of Town Creek, established and adopted by Beaufort on August 8, 2011 pursuant to 15A NCAC 07H .0208 (b) (6) (G) (iii) to modify the 1/4 Rule and allow the Partners' Marina and the Homer Smith Marina (and other riparian owners on the south side of Town Creek) to extend their pier and docking facilities further north

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than permitted by the 1/4 Rule. A drawing defining said Municipal Pier Head Line is attached as Exhibit "A" and incorporated by this reference.

- 1.11 "Partners" shall mean Beaufort Partners, LLC, a North Carolina limited liability company, John G. Gardner and wife, Gypsie W. Gardner and Wade Cary Enterprises, Inc., a North Carolina corporation.
- 1.12 "Partners' CAMA Permit" shall mean Major Development CAMA Permit No. 103-09, issued on July 16, 2009 to Beaufort Partners, LLC for construction of a 59 wet slip marina and associated facilities on the Partners' Property and extending into the public trust waters of Town Creek adjacent to the Partners' Property pursuant
- 1.13 "Partners' Marina" shall mean the system of piers, docks, pilings and related structures permitted for construction and operation in the waters of Town Creek adjacent to the Partners' Property (as defined below) as well as related facilities constructed or maintained on said Property
- 1.14 "Partners' Property" is that real property, and the riparian rights appurtenant thereto, in the Town of Beaufort, Carteret County, North Carolina as more particularly described in those certain deeds identified as follows: (1) Beaufort Partners, LLC deed, dated February 21, 2008, recorded in Book 1259, beginning at Page 284; (2) Wade Cary Enterprises, Inc. deed, dated July 3, 1997, recorded in Book 803, beginning at Page 91; and (3) the Gardners' deed, dated April 14, 2009, recorded in Book 1305, beginning at Page 141 - all recorded in the Carteret County Registry, and all being referred to for a more specific description of the properties subject to these Restrictive Covenants.
- 1.15 "Wet Slip" shall mean an area defined on two or more sides by docking and/or tie pilings, for the purposes of accommodating a single boat, vessel or personal watercraft. "Wet Slip" does not encompass or include transient boat docking along the side or end or T-heads of piers or docks.

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Article II

RECITALS

2.1 Partners are the current owner of Partners' Property. Partners has been issued the Partners' CAMA Permit and a building permit by Beaufort to construct the same. The Partners' CAMA Permit and Beaufort's building permit allow Partners to construct and maintain 59 Wet Slips in the Partners' Marina.

2.2 Homer Smith is the current owner of the Homer Smith Property. Homer Smith has been issued the Homer Smith CAMA Permit and a declaration of vested rights to construct the same by the Beaufort Board of Commissioners. The Homer Smith CAMA Permit and Beaufort's declaration of vested rights allow Homer Smith to construct and maintain 85 Wet Slips in the Homer Smith Marina.

2.3 Partners filed the Contested Case generally to challenge the alleged navigation issues between the Partners' Marina and the Homer Smith's Marina. In mediation of the Contested Case, the concept of Beaufort establishing a "pierhead line" near the southern side of Town Creek arose as a means of modifying the 1/4 Rule allowing Partners and Homer Smith additional flexibility to reconfigure their marinas to eliminate the alleged navigational conflict over Homer Smith's setback of its marina from the common riparian line, or extension thereof.

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2.4 Beaufort, having considered, among other factors, the irregular shore line on the south side of Town Creek, has found it to be in the public interest to establish a pierhead line in this area that will allow construction of marinas extending into Town Creek more than permitted by the 1/4 Rule. A pierhead line established by Beaufort could allow Partners and/or Homer Smith to construct more wet slips in public trust waters than currently permitted as part of their marinas. Beaufort has determined that, at this time, additional slips in these marinas are not in the public interest. While not making any specific findings of fact regarding either marina project, Beaufort has concerns over possible impacts associated with the permitting of additional wet slips in this area, including the potential for adverse negative secondary effects in terms of more congestion of boats and boat traffic on public trust waters, additional vehicular traffic to and from the marinas, additional security needs, and other secondary effects not set forth herein. Accordingly, while Beaufort has established the Municipal Pierhead Line, it has conditioned the validity of the same on the following three conditions which are:

- (a) Both Partners and Homer Smith agree that, notwithstanding the extended Municipal Pierhead Line, the numbers of Wet slips in their marinas will be limited to those specified in their existing CAMA and

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municipal permits, subject to amendment only by future written agreement between that respective property owner or owners and Beaufort amending the terms of that respective owner's or owners' Restrictive Covenants;

(b) Partners and Homer Smith agree in writing to reconfigure their respective marina layouts to avoid any dispute over the setback of their marinas from their mutual riparian line, or an extension thereof; and

(c) The Municipal Pierhead Line is presented to the United States Army Corps of Engineers and DCM for consultation purposes, and no objections are received.

The Board of Commissioners of Beaufort also delegated to the Beaufort Town Manager the authority to review the revised schematic plans for the two marinas in light of changes facilitated by the Municipal Pierhead Line to determine if there remains substantial compliance with the marina plans previously approved by Beaufort so that the "vested rights" of each marina project continue. On or about September 16, 2011, Partners and Homer Smith reached agreement in writing regarding reconfiguration of their respective marina layouts to resolve their existing disputes regarding the setback of their marinas from their mutual riparian line. The Town Manager has reviewed

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this agreement and associated marina layouts drawing, and has determined that said plans remain in substantial compliance with those previously reviewed and approved by Beaufort.

2.5 Prior to the execution and delivery hereof, the Corps of Engineers and DCM have been consulted and have not objected to the Municipal Pierhead Line, and Partners and Homer Smith have each agreed in writing to the reconfiguration of their marina project layouts relative to their mutual riparian line or extension thereof and the manager of the Town of Beaufort has reviewed and approved the schematic drawing of each marina project.

2.6 The purpose of this Covenant is for Homer Smith to agree to limit the number of Wet slips in its marina to the number currently permitted by DCM, unless Homer Smith and Beaufort mutually agree in writing otherwise, in order to satisfy the remaining condition imposed by Beaufort for its establishment and adoption of the Municipal Pierhead Line. Partners similarly has agreed to limit the number of Wet slips in its marina and has executed and delivered to Beaufort a similar Covenant accomplishing same. Attorneys for Partners and Homer Smith have reviewed both covenants to assure their acceptability. For this Covenant to be effective, it and the Partners' Covenant with Beaufort will be recorded on the same

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day, and as close to the same moment in time as possible at the Carteret County Registry.

2.7 The holder of all deeds of trust on the Partner's Property have joined in the execution of its Covenant to subordinate the terms of such deed of trust to the terms thereof, and the holder of any deed of trust on the Homer Smith property will join in the execution of this Covenant to subordinate the terms of such deed of trust to the terms hereof.

Article III

COVENANT AND STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT

To satisfy a condition for the effectiveness of the Municipal Pierhead Line, and for other good and valuable consideration, Homer Smith covenants and agrees with Beaufort as follows:

3.1 Recitals Incorporated. The Recitals above are incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

3.2 Limit on Numbers of Slips. Notwithstanding that establishment of the Municipal Pierhead Line would, or might, allow Homer Smith to construct additional Wet Slips as part of its marina under CAMA regulations, Homer Smith covenants and agrees with Beaufort that the number of Wet Slips in the Homer Smith Marina will not, without the written consent of Beaufort, exceed 85. This Covenant shall apply to the Homer Smith

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Property and the riparian area appurtenant to and/or adjacent to the Homer Smith Property and will run with the title to the Homer Smith Property and the riparian area appurtenant to and/or adjacent to the Homer Smith Property.

3.3 Amendment. This Covenant may be amended or modified only by written instrument approved by the Board of Commissioners of Beaufort, the holder at the time of amendment of the Homer Smith CAMA Permit or successor permit, and the owner at that time of the Homer Smith Property.

3.4 Continuation of Vested Rights. The Manager of the Town of Beaufort has reviewed the schematic drawings of Homer Smith Marina made to reconfigure the same within the Municipal Pierhead Line. This schematic drawing is identified as that certain drawing by Stroud Engineering, P.A., captioned "Proposed Site Plan, Beaufort Harbor Marina & Yacht Club, Revision No. 2, 9/21/11." By executing this Covenant the Town Manager determines and affirms that the revised plan for the previously permitted Homer Smith Marina is in substantial conformity with the Homer Smith Marina for which a 5 year declaration of vested rights to construct the same previously was issued by the Beaufort Board of Commissioners and, as a result, Homer Smith's vested rights to construct the marina shall remain in full force and effect until expiration of such rights according to State law or municipal ordinance.

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3.5 Miscellaneous.

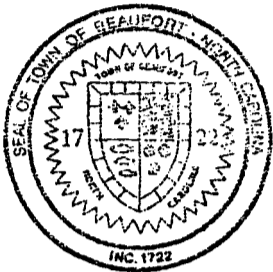
a. Successors and Assigns. This Covenant shall inure to the benefit of and shall bind, Homer Smith, the holder of the Homer Smith's CAMA Permit, and the successor owners of the Homer Smith Property and or successor holder(s) of Homer Smith's CAMA Permit.

b. Rule of Construction. All parties to this Covenant have had ample opportunity to participate in the drafting hereof and there will be no rule of construction or interpretation applied on account of draftsmanship.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF this instrument is executed and delivered.



TOWN OF BEAUFORT

By: [Signature]
Richard L. Stanley, Mayor

Attest: Michelle Davis
Town Clerk

[Signature]
Charles W. Burgess, Jr.
Beaufort Town Manager

HOMER SMITH, LLC

By: [Signature]
Tony M. Frost, Manager

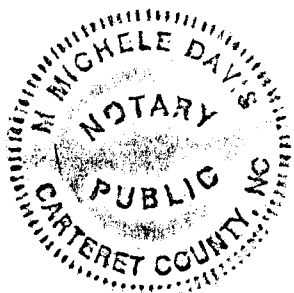
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF CARTERET

I, a Notary Public of the county and state aforesaid, certify that Richard L. Stanley, personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged he is Mayor of the Town of Beaufort and that by authority duly given and as the act of said municipal corporation, he signed the foregoing instrument in its name on its behalf as its act and deed.

WITNESS my hand and official stamp or seal this 15th day of November, 2011.



M Michele Davis
Notary Public

M Michele Davis
Printed name of Notary Public

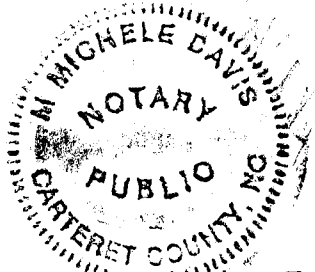
My Commission Expires: 5-10-2014

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF CARTERET

I, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, certify that Charles W. Burgess, Jr., Manager of the Town of Beaufort, personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument.

Witness my hand and official stamp or seal, this the 15th day of November, 2011.



M Michele Davis
Notary Public

M Michele Davis
Printed name of Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 5-10-2014

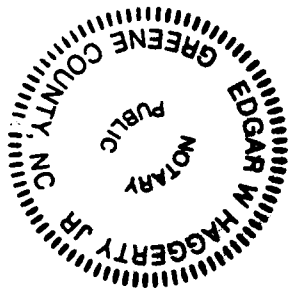
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF CARTERET

I, a Notary Public for said County and State, certify that Tony M. Frost, Manager of HOMER SMITH, LLC, a North Carolina limited liability company, personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument.

Witness my hand and notarial seal this the 10th day of November, 2011.



Edgar W Haggerty Jr
Notary Public
Edgar W Haggerty Jr
Printed name of Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 6-20-2014

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Subordination Statement/Agreement

This Subordination Statement/Agreement is given pursuant to paragraph 2.7 of the above Covenant. As used in this Statement/Agreement the "Deed of Trust" is described as:

Date of Deed of Trust: November 28, 2007

Recording Information: Book 1250, Page 130, Carteret County Registry

Grantor: Anna Marie Frost and Alice Marie Willis

Trustee: C.R. Wheatly, III

Beneficiary: Marie Smith

The undersigned executes this Subordination Statement/Agreement to subordinate the terms of the Deed of Trust to the Covenant dated October 21, 2011 between the Town of Beaufort and Homer Smith, LLC to which this Statement/Agreement is attached.

Marie Smith
Marie Smith, Beneficiary

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF CARTERET

I, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, certify that Marie Smith, Beneficiary, personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument.

Witness my hand and official stamp or seal, this the 10th day of November, 2011.

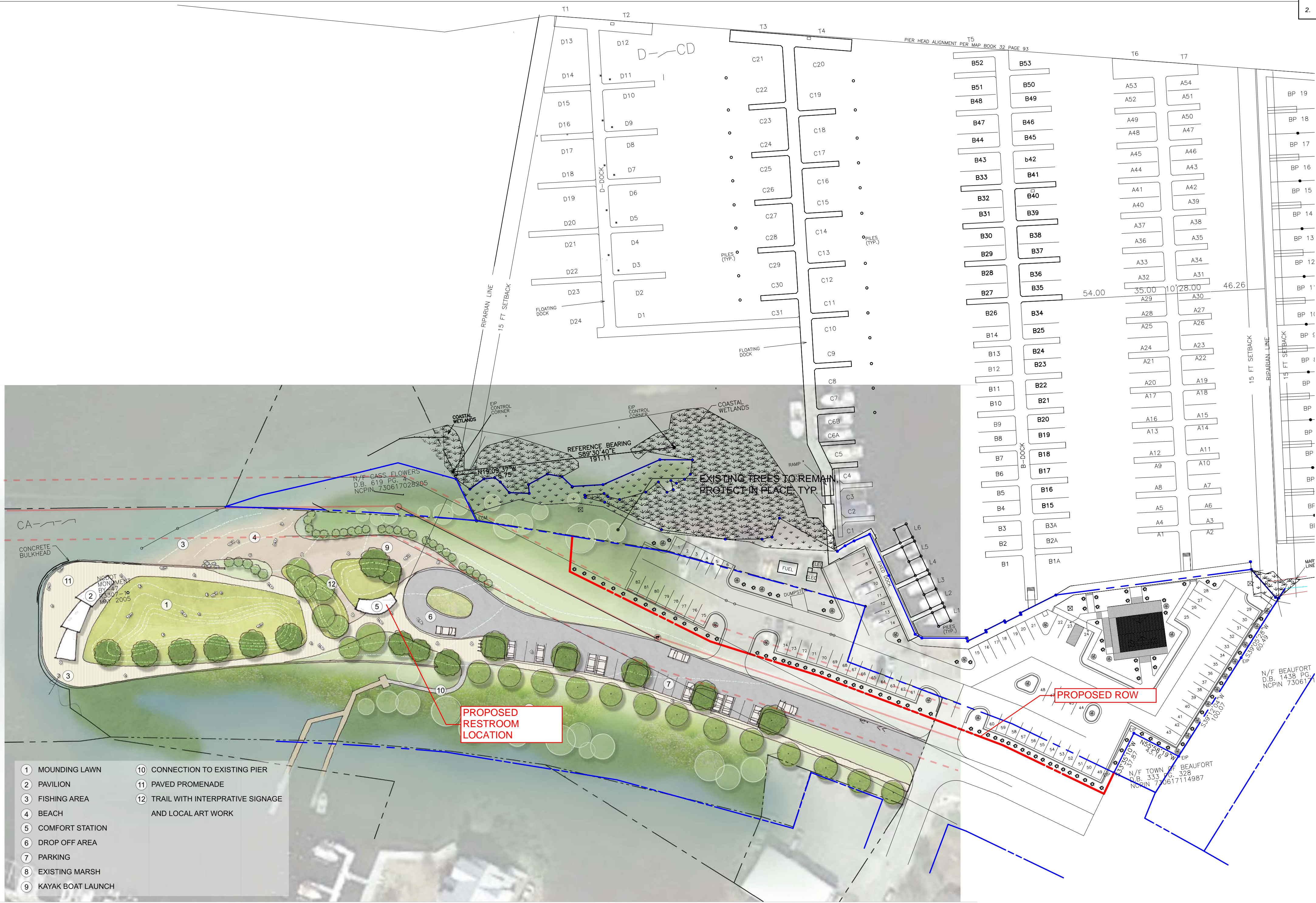


Edgar W Haggerty Jr
Signature of Notary Public

Edgar W Haggerty Jr
Printed Name of Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 6-20-2014

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Date: 11.07.2019

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CEDAR STREET PARK
- SITE PLAN -



2020.07.01 - TCGPA SITE PLAN OVERLAY
1" = 50'-0"



Town of Beaufort, NC

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**Town of Beaufort Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
6:00 PM, Monday, Nov. 9, 2020 – Held Through Zoom Due to COVID19 Pandemic**

AGENDA CATEGORY: Items for Discussion and Consideration
SUBJECT: Noise Ordinance Revisions

BRIEF SUMMARY:

At the October 28th Work Session the Board discussed a draft for a revised noise ordinance and incorporated a number of changes. Those changes are reflected on the attached Noise Ordinance resolution.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Adopt Noise Ordinance Resolution.

EXPECTED LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:

5 minutes

SUBMITTED BY:

John Day, Town Manager

BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED:

No

TOWN OF BEAUFORT

RESOLUTION ADOPTING AMENDED AND RESTATED NOISE ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Town of Beaufort (“Town”) is a municipality organized and existing pursuant to North Carolina law; and,

WHEREAS, Town has previously established a Code of Ordinances (“Code”) to insure the health, safety and welfare of its citizens; and,

WHEREAS, Chapter 91 of the Code establishes a noise ordinance for Town; and,

WHEREAS, Town’s Board of Commissioners desires to restate and amend said ordinance;

and,

WHEREAS, Town’s Board of Commissioners adopts this resolution to memorialize same.

NOW THEREFORE, TOWN HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The amended and restated noise ordinance attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference is hereby adopted.

Section 2. This resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

ADOPTED THIS 9th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2020.

Everette S. (Rett) Newton, Mayor

(Town Seal)

Rachel Johnson, Deputy Town Clerk

TOWN OF BEAUFORT

Code of Ordinances

ARTICLE I. – NOISE

Sec. 91.01. – Purpose.

The provisions hereinafter contained are enacted pursuant to the authority granted to the town under G.S. § 160A-184, for the purpose of preventing noise disturbances or unreasonably loud noise. Noise exceeding certain levels or durations and during specific times of day can be detrimental to the health, safety, and welfare of the citizenry, and may infringe upon an individual's right to peaceful and quiet enjoyment of their activities of daily living. It is the policy of the town to prohibit noise disturbances or unreasonably loud noise from all sound sources, subject to its police power, in order to secure and promote the public health, comfort, convenience, safety, welfare, and prosperity of the citizens of Beaufort. Nothing in this article is intended to deter individuals from lawfully exercising the individual right of freedom of speech and commerce, or any other freedom guaranteed under the Constitutions of the United States of America or of the State of North Carolina, and nothing in this article is intended to unreasonably limit or restrain commercial or industrial enterprise.

Sec. 91.02. – Scope.

This article shall apply to all sound, vibration, and other noise originating within the corporate limits of the Town of Beaufort. Nothing in this article shall be construed to limit or prevent the Town of Beaufort or any person from pursuing any other legal remedies for damages or the abatement of noise. The Beaufort Police Department shall have primary enforcement responsibility for noise and sound level control pursuant to this Article.

Sec. 91.03. – General Prohibition.

Except as allowed in this Article, no person shall willfully engage in any activity on any premises or public area in the town, which activity produces or constitutes a noise disturbance on adjoining or neighboring properties or public areas.

Sec. 91.04. – Definitions.

The words and phrases defined in this section shall have the meaning indicated when used in this Article unless otherwise specifically provided, or unless otherwise clearly required by the context:

- (a) **“A” weighting scale.** The sound pressure level in decibels as measured on a sound level meter using the A-frequency-weighted network and slow meter response setting. Sound levels are represented herein by the designation dB(A).
- (b) **Absentee Owner.** An owner of any premises subject to this Article who is not also an occupant of the premises.
- (c) **Adjoining Property.** Property which shares a contiguous boundary with

another property.

- (d) **Amplified Sound.** Any sound or noise, including the human voice, that is increased in volume or intensity by means of electrical power.
- (e) **ANSI.** The American National Standards Institute or its successor bodies.
- (f) **Commercial Establishment.** An establishment used for commercial purposes with common business areas.
- (g) **Commercial/Industrial Area.** Any area within the town that is zoned H-BD, H-WBD PUD, B-1, B-W, LI, IW, TR, or any area presently devoted to a commercial use that is a nonconforming situation as defined by the zoning ordinance.
- (h) **Construction.** On-site erection, fabrication, installation, repair, alteration, demolition, or removal of any right-of-way surfaces, structure, facility, or addition thereto, including all related activities including, but not restricted to, clearing of land, earth moving, blasting, and landscaping.
- (i) **Decibel [dB].** Unit for describing the amplitude of sound, equal to 20 times the logarithm to the base 10 of the ratio of the pressure of the sound measured to the reference pressure (20 micronewtons per square meter).
- (j) **Downtown.** Any area within the town that is zoned H-BD or H-WBD.
- (k) **Emergency.** Any occurrence or set of circumstances involving actual or imminent physical or psychological trauma or property damage which demands immediate action in order to maintain or restore public safety and prevent or alleviate such trauma or property damage.
- (l) **Impulsive Sound.** Sound of short duration, usually less than one second, with an abrupt onset and rapid decay. Examples of sources of impulsive sound include explosions, drop forge impacts and the discharge of firearms.
- (m) **Motorized Vehicles.** Generally—Any motor vehicle as defined in G.S. 20-4.01 and G.S. 105-164.3, including but not limited to:
 - (1) Excursion passenger vehicles as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(27).
 - (2) Common carriers of passengers as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(27).
 - (3) Motorcycles and mopeds as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(27).
 - (4) Truck tractors and U-Drive It Vehicles as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(48) and G.S. 20-4.01(48)a.
 - (5) Farm tractors as defined G.S. 20-4.01(11).
 - (6) Mopeds as defined in G.S. 105-164.3.

- (n) **Necessary Activity.** Any activity analyzed and determined by the town to be an activity that cannot be avoided for the purpose of construction, public safety, constitutionality, or any other activity otherwise prohibited which the town considers acceptable to be permitted for a limited period of time.
- (o) **Necessary Business Equipment.** A piece(s) of equipment physically affixed, joined, or connected to the outside of a building, and without which a business located inside the building would not be able to operate. Examples include but are not limited to heating and air conditioning units, electrical generators, water pumps, ventilation systems, and air/water chillers.
- (p) **Neighboring Property.** Property which does not share a contiguous boundary with another property, but which is close enough in proximity to be affected by sound produced on the other property.
- (q) **Noise Disturbance.** Any sound or combination of sounds which, because of its volume or quality or time of day, tends to annoy, disturb, frighten, or otherwise cause an adverse psychological or physiological effect upon reasonable persons of normal sensitivity, or unreasonably prevents such persons from being able to enjoy their activities of daily living.
- (r) **Person.** Any individual, corporation, partnership, firm, association, trust, estate, public or private institution, group, agency, political subdivision of this State, any other state or political subdivision or agency thereof, or any legal successor, representative, agent or agency of the foregoing.
- (s) **Plainly Audible.** Any sound or component of sound for which any of the content of that sound is unambiguous, verifiable, and discernible above ambient levels by a person using his or her unaided hearing faculties, including but not limited to comprehensible musical rhythms, understandable speech, or rhythmic bass.
- (t) **Residential Areas.** Any area within the town that is zoned R-20, R-8MH, R-8, R-8A, RC-5, RS-5, PUD, TR, or TCA.
- (u) **Responsible Person.** An owner, tenant, occupant, employee, agent, or any other person who is or who appears to be responsible for the premises, dwelling, or commercial establishment creating, allowing, or causing to be created a noise disturbance in violation of this Article.
- (v) **Sound.** Any disturbance of the air or other medium that is detectable by the unaided human ear or which produces vibrations detectable by persons of normal sensitivity.
- (w) **Sound Level.** The weighted sound pressure level obtained by the use of a sound level meter and frequency weighting network as specified in ANSI specifications

for sound level meters.

- (x) **Sound Level Meter.** Device used to measure sound pressure levels with a standardized frequency weighting and indicated exponential time weighting for measurements of sound level, or without time weighting for measurement of time-average sound pressure level or sound exposure level.
- (y) **Sound Pressure Level.** In decibels, twenty (20) times the logarithm to the base ten (10) of the ratio of the magnitude of a particular sound pressure to the standard reference pressure. The standard reference pressure is 0.0002 microbars.
- (z) **Sound Source.** Any person, animal, device, operation, process, activity, or phenomenon which emits or causes sound.

Sec. 91.05. – Specific Prohibitions.

The following acts are specifically declared to be unreasonably loud, annoying, frightening, or disturbing sounds which constitute a noise disturbance and the emission of which shall therefore constitute a violation of this Article:

- (a) The sounding of any horn or signal device on any vessel, automobile, motorcycle, bus or other vehicle for an unnecessary or unreasonable period of time, or for the purpose of harassing another person.
- (b) The use of any siren upon any vehicle other than police, fire, ambulance, or other emergency vehicles.
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- (h) The operation of lawn mowers and other domestic power tools outside between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 7:30 a.m., Monday through Saturday, and between the

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- (k) The parking of a vehicle with more than six wheels with a refrigerated cargo compartment while the refrigeration unit is operating.
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- (b) Sound level measurement shall be made with a sound level meter using the A- weighting scale, set on slow response.
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- (e) Except as specified in (g) below, the sound level measurement shall be averaged over a period of at least one (1) minute for purposes of determining the sound level. Sound levels may not exceed the prescribed level by more than three (3) decibels at any time during the measurement period.
- (f) During sound level measurement, the microphone shall not be positioned so as to

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- (h) In the case of noise that is impulsive or not continuous, the sound level measurement shall be taken over a period of time of at least one (1) minute. Any such sound or noise that exceeds the prescribed level more than two (2) times in a minute shall be deemed to exceed the prescribed sound levels.
- (i) If an officer does not have possession of a department-owned and ANSI-approved sound level meter at the time of responding to a noise complaint, sound level measurements for the purpose of determining violations of this Article may not be taken using any other device, including but not limited to applications on cellular devices or any hand-held personal sound level meters obtained from any other source. The officer shall instead proceed under the other sections of this Article in order to determine whether a noise disturbance is occurring.

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MAXIMUM SOUND LEVEL READINGS BY ZONING DISTRICT			
(H-BD, H-WBD)			
8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.	75 dB(A)	10:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.	60 dB(A)
(R-20, R-8MH, R-8, R-8A, RC-5, RS-5, TCA, TR, PUD)			
8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.	65 dB(A)	8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.	50 dB(A)
(CS-MU, B-1, B-W, L-I, I-W)			
7:00 a.m. to Midnight	75 dB(A)	Midnight to 7:00 a.m.	60 dB(A)

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- (a) A noise permit shall be obtained in advance for any activity where the sound level to be produced exceeds or should be reasonably expected to exceed the sound level limits or time limits set out in this Article on any other property.
- (b) Any application for a permit under this section shall be submitted to the Beaufort Town Clerk at least ten (10) Town business days in advance of the planned use, except for a necessary activity. The application shall designate a responsible

person who shall be in control of the sound producing or sound amplification equipment or the contact person for the event, and who will ensure that the equipment or event complies with the terms of the permit.

- (c) The Chief of Police or his/her designee shall have the ability to alter the times allowable under the permit and the acceptable sound levels allowed under the permit. Except in the case of necessary activities, the Chief of Police shall not extend the allowable time limit for a prohibited or excepted activity by more than one (1) hour, or increase the allowable sound level for any activity by more than ten (10) decibels over the sound level limits otherwise allowed in this Article.
- (d) No more than thirty (30) days of events, consecutive or otherwise, may be applied for using any single permit.
- (e) If multiple events are applied for using the same permit, in no case shall the time allowed between the first event on the permit and the last event on the permit be more than one (1) calendar year.
- (f) The following criteria shall be considered in the determination of whether to grant or deny an application for a noise permit:
 - (1) The use and activities permitted by the zoning regulations in such areas;
 - (2) The intensity of sound levels regularly produced by activities and devices in such areas;
 - (3) The time at which the sound amplification will occur;
 - (4) The duration of the requested amplification;
 - (5) The proximity of the requested activity to commercial buildings and residential dwellings, and the density of the surrounding commercial and residential areas;
 - (6) The history of verified complaints generated by previous activities similar in nature and context;
 - (7) The history of noise complaints against the applicant from adjoining or neighboring properties;
 - (8) Whether the sounds produced by such devices and activities are plainly audible, recurrent, intermittent, impulsive, or constant;
 - (9) Failure to complete the application properly; and
- (f) If an applicant is denied a permit under this section, the reasons for denial shall be set forth in writing and furnished to the applicant. If an applicant believes the denial is improper for any reason, the applicant shall promptly submit a copy of the denied

permit application, together with a short statement of the reasons he believes he is entitled to a permit, to the Town Manager or his/her designee. The Town Manager shall have the discretion to review the appeal and grant the permit, upon his determination that the applicant has made a substantial showing of entitlement, with any conditions or amendments to the permit that the Town Manager deems to be in the best interest of the public and the Town.

- (g) A violation of any section of this Article that results in either a civil fine or a criminal penalty, may also be the basis for revocation of any permit, in the discretion of the police officer responding to the noise complaint, upon consultation with his supervising officer.

Sec. 91.10. – Noise Violations Not Based on Sound Level Meters.

- (a) Any police officer responding to a noise complaint may, in the officer’s discretion, issue a civil citation or enforce any other penalties under this Article if the officer determines that a noise disturbance, as defined in Sec. 91.04, does exist.
- (b) An officer does not have to use a sound level meter or actually witness the sound or noise personally in order to take enforcement action under this section. Citations may be issued based upon statements and evidence obtained from complaining witnesses when the officer determines that such evidence is reliable, appropriate, and sufficient.
- (c) It shall be a violation of this Article for any person to communicate a noise complaint to any Town staff or official, using the 911 system or otherwise, for the purpose of harassing the subject of the complaint, and knowing or having reason to know that no noise disturbance actually exists or existed.
- (d) Factors to consider in determining whether a noise disturbance exists include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - (1) The volume of the noise;
 - (2) The intensity of the noise;
 - (3) Whether the nature of the noise is usual or unusual;
 - (4) Whether the origin of the noise is natural or unnatural;
 - (5) The volume and intensity of the background noise, if any;
 - (6) The proximity of the noise to residential sleeping facilities;
 - (7) The nature and zoning of the area from which the noise emanates;
 - (8) The density of the inhabitation of the area from which the noise emanates;

- (9) The time of the day or night the noise occurs;
- (10) The duration of the noise;
- (11) Statements of any complaining witnesses, including any pictures or audio/video documentation produced by complaining witnesses; and,
- (12) Whether the noise is recurrent, impulsive, intermittent, or constant.

Sec. 91.11. – Owner/Occupant Responsibility.

- (a) Penalties for violations of this Article may be assessed against persons responsible for either the premises or the sound source.
- (b) All persons responsible for either the premises or the sound source who are actively or constructively present at the time of the violation shall be listed on the same citation, and shall be jointly and severally responsible for any such violation.
- (c) An absentee owner shall receive a copy of each citation issued hereunder, by means evidencing confirmation of delivery or receipt. An absentee owner shall be liable for a second and all subsequent violations of this Article, provided that any second or subsequent citation(s) occur within forty-five (45) days of the immediately preceding citation.
- (d) No absentee owner may be subjected to criminal liability under this section.
- (e) The person responsible for any premises shall be responsible and liable for any violations of this Article by tenants, guests, or licensees on the premises if the person responsible is actively or constructively present at the time of the violation.
- (f) Any person responsible for causing a violation of this Article on or at any commercial establishment shall be liable for any civil or criminal remedy which may be imposed by this Article.
- (g) Any person in charge of, and physically present, at any commercial establishment shall also be liable for any civil or criminal remedy which may be imposed by this Article.
- (h) It is no defense to either civil or criminal liability of the person in charge of a commercial establishment that a violation of this Article was caused by a tenant, guest, invitee, permittee, or licensee.

Sec. 91.12. – Noise Violation Appeal Process.

- (a) Any person issued a civil penalty under the provisions of this Article may appeal by filing an appeal in writing to the Chief of Police within ten (10) calendar days after the civil penalty is issued. The written appeal shall state all reasons that the civil penalty was wrongly applied and shall include all supporting documentation that

the appellant contends supports the appeal.

- (b) If a person files a written appeal within the time provided in this section, the penalty being appealed shall be stayed pending the decision of the Chief of Police.
- (c) The Chief of Police, or his/her designee, shall issue a written determination, within ten (10) working days of receipt of the written appeal, stating whether the disputed civil penalty will be approved without change or modified or reversed.
- (d) All decisions shall be served on the petitioner.
- (e) The determination of the Chief of Police, or his/her designee , is final, subject to appeal only in the Superior Court of Carteret County by proceedings in the nature of certiorari, such appeal to be filed within thirty (30) days of the date the adverse decision was mailed.

TOWN OF BEAUFORT

Proposed

Commissioner Comments/Questions Shown in Red

ARTICLE I. – NOISE

Sec. 91.01. – Purpose.

The provisions hereinafter contained are enacted pursuant to the authority granted to the town under G.S. § 160A-184, for the purpose of preventing noise disturbances or unreasonably loud noise. Noise exceeding certain levels or durations and during specific times of day can be detrimental to the health, safety, and welfare of the citizenry, and may infringe upon an individual's right to peaceful and quiet enjoyment of their activities of daily living. It is the policy of the town to prohibit noise disturbances or unreasonably loud noise from all sound sources, subject to its police power, in order to secure and promote the public health, comfort, convenience, safety, welfare, and prosperity of the citizens of Beaufort. Nothing in this article is intended to deter individuals from lawfully exercising the individual right of freedom of speech and commerce, or any other freedom guaranteed under the Constitutions of the United States of America or of the State of North Carolina, and nothing in this article is intended to unreasonably limit or restrain commercial or industrial enterprise.

Sec. 91.02. – Scope.

This article shall apply to all sound, vibration, and other noise originating within the corporate limits of the Town of Beaufort. Nothing in this article shall be construed to limit or prevent the Town of Beaufort or any person from pursuing any other legal remedies for damages or the abatement of noise. The Beaufort Police Department shall have primary enforcement responsibility for noise and sound level control pursuant to this Article.

Sec. 91.03. – General Prohibition.

Except as allowed in this Article, no person shall willfully engage in any activity on any premises or public area in the town, which activity produces or constitutes a noise disturbance on adjoining or neighboring properties or public areas.

Sec. 91.04. – Definitions.

The words and phrases defined in this section shall have the meaning indicated when used in this Article unless otherwise specifically provided, or unless otherwise clearly required by the context:

- (a) **“A” weighting scale.** The sound pressure level in decibels as measured on a sound level meter using the A-frequency-weighted network and slow meter response setting. Sound levels are represented herein by the designation dB(A).
- (b) **Absentee Owner.** An owner of any premises subject to this Article who is not also an occupant of the premises.
- (c) **Adjoining Property.** Property which shares a contiguous boundary with another

property.

- (d) **Amplified Sound.** Any sound or noise, including the human voice, that is increased in volume or intensity by means of electrical power.
- (e) **ANSI.** The American National Standards Institute or its successor bodies.
- (f) **Commercial Establishment.** An establishment used for commercial purposes with common business areas.
- (g) **Commercial/Industrial Area.** Any area within the town that is zoned H-BD, H-WBD PUD, B-1, B-W, LI, IW, TR, or any area presently devoted to a commercial use that is a nonconforming situation as defined by the zoning ordinance.
- (h) **Construction.** On-site erection, fabrication, installation, repair, alteration, demolition, or removal of any right-of-way surfaces, structure, facility, or addition thereto, including all related activities including, but not restricted to, clearing of land, earth moving, blasting, and landscaping.
- (i) **Decibel [dB].** Unit for describing the amplitude of sound, equal to 20 times the logarithm to the base 10 of the ratio of the pressure of the sound measured to the reference pressure (20 micronewtons per square meter).
- (j) **Downtown.** Any area within the town that is zoned CBD. **Q: Does the definition for Downtown apply to only districts H-BD, H-WBD and BW? A: CBD in the original draft was incorrect. A determination as to which districts to include in “Downtown” should be made.**
- (k) **Emergency.** Any occurrence or set of circumstances involving actual or imminent physical or psychological trauma or property damage which demands immediate action in order to maintain or restore public safety and prevent or alleviate such trauma or property damage.
- (l) **Impulsive Sound.** Sound of short duration, usually less than one second, with an abrupt onset and rapid decay. Examples of sources of impulsive sound include explosions, drop forge impacts and the discharge of firearms.
- (m) **Motorized Vehicles.** Generally—Any motor vehicle as defined in G.S. 20-4.01 and G.S. 105-164.3, including but not limited to:
 - (1) Excursion passenger vehicles as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(27).
 - (2) Common carriers of passengers as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(27).
 - (3) Motorcycles and mopeds as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(27).
 - (4) Truck tractors and U-Drive It Vehicles as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(48) and G.S. 20-4.01(48)a.

- (5) Farm tractors as defined G.S. 20-4.01(11).
- (6) Mopeds as defined in G.S. 105-164.3.

I looked up the G.S. references for Motorized Vehicles and references did not appear to be correct. Note: Citations corrected.

- (n) **Necessary Activity.** Any activity analyzed and determined by the town to be an activity that cannot be avoided for the purpose of construction, public safety, constitutionality, or any other activity otherwise prohibited which the town considers acceptable to be permitted for a limited period of time.
- (o) **Necessary Business Equipment.** A piece(s) of equipment physically affixed, joined, or connected to the outside of a building, and without which a business located inside the building would not be able to operate. Examples include but are not limited to heating and air conditioning units, electrical generators, water pumps, ventilation systems, and air/water chillers.
- (p) **Neighboring Property.** Property which does not share a contiguous boundary with another property, but which is close enough in proximity to be affected by sound produced on the other property.
- (q) **Noise Disturbance.** Any sound or combination of sounds which, because of its volume or quality or time of day, tends to annoy, disturb, frighten, or otherwise cause an adverse psychological or physiological effect upon reasonable persons of normal sensitivity, or unreasonably prevents such persons from being able to enjoy their activities of daily living.
- (r) **Person.** Any individual, corporation, partnership, firm, association, trust, estate, public or private institution, group, agency, political subdivision of this State, any other state or political subdivision or agency thereof, or any legal successor, representative, agent or agency of the foregoing.
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- (t) **Residential Areas.** Any area within the town that is zoned R-20, R-8MH, R-8, R-8A, RC-5, RS-5, PUD, TR, or TCA.
- (u) **Responsible Person.** An owner, tenant, occupant, employee, agent, or any other person who is or who appears to be responsible for the premises, dwelling, or commercial establishment creating, allowing, or causing to be created a noise disturbance in violation of this Article.
- (v) **Sound.** Any disturbance of the air or other medium that is detectable by the unaided

human ear or which produces vibrations detectable by persons of normal sensitivity.

- (w) **Sound Level.** The weighted sound pressure level obtained by the use of a sound level meter and frequency weighting network as specified in ANSI specifications for sound level meters.
- (x) **Sound Level Meter.** Device used to measure sound pressure levels with a standardized frequency weighting and indicated exponential time weighting for measurements of sound level, or without time weighting for measurement of time-average sound pressure level or sound exposure level.
- (y) **Sound Pressure Level.** In decibels, twenty (20) times the logarithm to the base ten (10) of the ratio of the magnitude of a particular sound pressure to the standard reference pressure. The standard reference pressure is 0.0002 microbars.
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Sec. 91.05. – Specific Prohibitions.

The following acts are specifically declared to be unreasonably loud, annoying, frightening, or disturbing sounds which constitute a noise disturbance and the emission of which shall therefore constitute a violation of this Article:

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Construction activity of all types often begins at 7 am.
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Suggest that 8:00am in (h) be changes to 7:30am.

For sure yard people start early 7 days a week. Do we limit commercial yard people only? What about day of the week?

My comments related to work hours Sec. 91.05 (h) limiting the start to 8 am. Over the last several years I have noticed that general contracting, especially roofs, seem to begin earlier, especially in the summer when temperatures are above 80 degrees, daytime. Maybe some relief for extraordinary conditions.

Current noise ordinance section 91.05 B6 has information about large trucks including refrigerated. Q: Is this covered in the definition for Necessary Business Equipment? Section 91.05. A: No. The Board may want to consider adding these additional prohibitions from the current noise ordinance:

1. Loading or unloading of a vehicle with more than six wheels;
2. The parking of a motor vehicle with more than six wheels with its engine running;
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- (h) Sound or noise from lawful fireworks displays;
- (i) Lawnmowers, agricultural equipment, and domestic power tools operated between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., provided that all equipment is operated in accordance with manufacturer's specifications and is equipped with all standard noise-reducing equipment in proper condition; I recommend that 8:00am be changed to 7:30am which is what it is currently. I assume this applies to both individual and commercial.
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(Residential)			
8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.	65 dB(A)	8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.	50 dB(A)
(Commercial/Industrial)			
7:00 a.m. to Midnight	75 dB(A)	Midnight to 7:00 a.m.	60 dB(A)

Suggest waterfront business district early time be changed to 7am for both periods.
 The current ordinance was modified because of complaints from some citizens that lived near downtown. That is why it has more specific details.

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- (b) Any application for a permit under this section shall be submitted to the Beaufort Town Clerk at least ten (10) Town business days in advance of the planned use, except for a necessary activity. The application shall designate a responsible person who shall be in control of the sound producing or sound amplification equipment or the contact person for the event, and who will ensure that the equipment or event complies with the terms of the permit.
- (c) The Chief of Police or his/her designee shall have the ability to alter the times allowable under the permit and the acceptable sound levels allowed under the permit. Except in the case of necessary activities, the Chief of Police shall not extend the allowable time limit for a prohibited or excepted activity by more than one (1) hour, or increase the allowable sound level for any activity by more than ten (10) decibels over the sound level limits otherwise allowed in this Article.
- (d) In the Town Manager’s discretion and after consultation with the Chief of Police or his/her designee, the Town Manager shall have the ability to alter the allowable time limit for a prohibited or excepted activity by more than one (1) hour, or increase the allowable sound level for any activity by more than ten (10) decibels over the sound level limits otherwise allowed in this Article.

No extensions, especially from those not subjected to the noise. If the event is late starting, too bad. A compromise might be any extension needed before 6PM.

Neither the town manager nor the police chief should have the right to alter times allowable under the permit. It should be an in town designee.

- (e) No more than thirty (30) days of events, consecutive or otherwise, may be applied for using any single permit.

- (f) If multiple events are applied for using the same permit, in no case shall the time allowed between the first event on the permit and the last event on the permit be more than one (1) calendar year.
- (g) The following criteria shall be considered in the determination of whether to grant or deny an application for a noise permit:
 - (1) The use and activities permitted by the zoning regulations in such areas;
 - (2) The intensity of sound levels regularly produced by activities and devices in such areas;
 - (3) The time at which the sound amplification will occur;
 - (4) The duration of the requested amplification;
 - (5) The proximity of the requested activity to commercial buildings and residential dwellings, and the density of the surrounding commercial and residential areas;
 - (6) The history of verified complaints generated by previous activities similar in nature and context;
 - (7) The history of noise complaints against the applicant from adjoining or neighboring properties;
 - (8) Whether the sounds produced by such devices and activities are plainly audible, recurrent, intermittent, impulsive, or constant;
 - (9) Failure to complete the application properly; and
 - (10) The necessity of the requested amplification.

There is really not a necessity except for emergency purposes.

- (f) If an applicant is denied a permit under this section, the reasons for denial shall be set forth in writing and furnished to the applicant. If an applicant believes the denial is improper for any reason, the applicant shall promptly submit a copy of the denied permit application, together with a short statement of the reasons he believes he is entitled to a permit, to the Town Manager or his/her designee. The Town Manager shall have the discretion to review the appeal and grant the permit, upon his determination that the applicant has made a substantial showing of entitlement, with any conditions or amendments to the permit that the Town Manager deems to be in the best interest of the public and the Town.
- (g) A violation of any section of this Article that results in either a civil fine or a criminal penalty, may also be the basis for revocation of any permit, in the discretion of the police officer responding to the noise complaint, upon consultation with his supervising officer.

Sec. 91.10. – Noise Violations Not Based on Sound Level Meters.

- (a) Any police officer responding to a noise complaint may, in the officer’s discretion, issue a civil citation or enforce any other penalties under this Article if the officer determines that a noise disturbance, as defined in Sec. 91.04, does exist.
- (b) An officer does not have to use a sound level meter or actually witness the sound or noise personally in order to take enforcement action under this section. Citations may be issued based upon statements and evidence obtained from complaining witnesses when the officer determines that such evidence is reliable, appropriate, and sufficient.
- (c) It shall be a violation of this Article for any person to communicate a noise complaint to any Town staff or official, using the 911 system or otherwise, for the purpose of harassing the subject of the complaint, and knowing or having reason to know that no noise disturbance actually exists or existed.
- (d) Factors to consider in determining whether a noise disturbance exists include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - (1) The volume of the noise;
 - (2) The intensity of the noise;
 - (3) Whether the nature of the noise is usual or unusual;
 - (4) Whether the origin of the noise is natural or unnatural;
 - (5) The volume and intensity of the background noise, if any;
 - (6) The proximity of the noise to residential sleeping facilities;
 - (7) The nature and zoning of the area from which the noise emanates;
 - (8) The density of the inhabitation of the area from which the noise emanates;
 - (9) The time of the day or night the noise occurs;
 - (10) The duration of the noise;
 - (11) Statements of any complaining witnesses, including any pictures or audio/video documentation produced by complaining witnesses; and,
 - (12) Whether the noise is recurrent, impulsive, intermittent, or constant.

Sec. 91.11. – Owner/Occupant Responsibility.

- (a) Penalties for violations of this Article may be assessed against persons responsible for either the premises or the sound source.
- (b) All persons responsible for either the premises or the sound source who are actively or constructively present at the time of the violation shall be listed on the same citation, and shall be jointly and severally responsible for any such violation.

- (c) An absentee owner shall be responsible for any actions by tenants, guests, or other licensees that constitute third or subsequent violations of this Article.
- (d) No absentee owner shall be liable unless such owner has already been notified of first or previous violations of the Article, and further provided that such first or previous violations shall have occurred within the previous twelve-month period. Notice of any first or previous violations pursuant to this paragraph shall be effected by registered or certified mail.
- (e) No absentee owner may be subjected to criminal liability under this section.
- (f) The person responsible for any premises shall be responsible and liable for any violations of this Article by tenants, guests, or licensees on the premises if the person responsible is actively or constructively present at the time of the violation.
- (g) Any person responsible for causing a violation of this Article on or at any commercial establishment shall be liable for any civil or criminal remedy which may be imposed by this Article.
- (h) Any person in charge of, and physically present, at any commercial establishment shall also be liable for any civil or criminal remedy which may be imposed by this Article.
- (i) It is no defense to either civil or criminal liability of the person in charge of a commercial establishment that a violation of this Article was caused by a tenant, guest, invitee, permittee, or licensee.

The Owner/Occupant Responsibility needs to be tightened. A period of twelve months is too long before fines are considered. This will also play into the STR ordinance as it has been one of the major issues.

Having an absentee owner responsible for excessive sound is not practical, especially if a family or even a rental unit. The absentee owner should only be responsible if the situation is recurrent.

Sec. 91.12. – Noise Violation Appeal Process.

- (a) Any person issued a civil penalty under the provisions of this Article may appeal by filing an appeal in writing to the Chief of Police within ten (10) calendar days after the civil penalty is issued. The written appeal shall state all reasons that the civil penalty was wrongly applied and shall include all supporting documentation that the appellant contends supports the appeal.
- (b) If a person files a written appeal within the time provided in this section, the penalty being appealed shall be stayed pending the decision of the Chief of Police.
- (c) The Chief of Police, or his/her designee at the rank of Bureau Commander or higher, shall issue a written determination, within ten (10) working days of receipt of the written appeal, stating whether the disputed civil penalty will be approved without

change or modified or reversed.

- (d) All decisions shall be served on the petitioner.
- (e) The determination of the Chief of Police, or his/her designee , is final, subject to appeal only in the Superior Court of Carteret County by proceedings in the nature of certiorari, such appeal to be filed within thirty (30) days of the date the adverse decision was mailed.

Additional Comments/Questions:

- 1. Summary: the major complaint on a consistent basis is vehicle noise, either blaring music, or illegal equipment such as mufflers. The PD could be a bit more involved on this one as Front St. and environs are now the place to “profile”. The heavy trucks delivering early in the morning, especially refrigerated one, are another source but at least they are “working”. Trash trucks, sometimes there are three at a time doing specific specialty pick-ups such as business, household and recycle.
- 2. Enforcement is a major drawback. Motor vehicles—and this should also include boats—are moving targets and difficult to locate when a complaint comes in.

Current

Town of Beaufort Code of Ordinances

ARTICLE I. - NOISE

Sec. 91.01. - Purpose of noise regulations.

- (A) It is recognized that excessive and unnecessary noise endangers the physical and emotional health and welfare of the people, interferes with legitimate business and recreational activity, increases construction costs, depresses property values, offends the senses, creates public nuisances and in other respects reduces the quality of life.
- (B) It is further recognized that a substantial body of science and technology exists by which excessive sound may be measured and substantially abated. Because the regulation of excessive and unnecessary noise that may jeopardize human health or welfare or substantially degrade the quality of life is well within the purview of the town police powers, it is declared to be the purpose of this article to prevent, prohibit and provide for the regulation and abatement of excessive and unnecessary noise which may injure the physical and emotional health or welfare of its citizens or degrade the quality of life.

(Ord. 08:007, passed 5-1-2008)

Sec. 91.02. - Definitions.

- (A) For the purpose of §§ 91.01 through 91.07 (which sections are referred to herein as "this article"), the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

A-weighted sound level means the sound pressure level in decibels as measured on a sound level meter using the A-weighting network. The level so read is designated dB(A).

Decibel (dB) means a unit for describing the amplitude of sound, equal to 20 times the logarithm to the base ten of the ratio of the pressure of the sound measured to the reference pressure, which is 20 micronewtons per square meter.

Emergency work means any work performed for the purposes of preventing or alleviating physical trauma or property damage threatened or caused by an existing or imminent peril.

Event means a gathering of people for the purpose of recreation, entertainment, worship, fundraising, or cultural activity outdoors on a zoning lot, or other property, where amplified sound is emitted from the property.

Nighttime. As used in this article, *nighttime* shall mean the time period between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and the following 7:00 a.m.

Noise means any sound which annoys or disturbs humans or which causes or tends to cause an adverse psychological or physiological effect on humans.

Outdoor amplified sound means any sound using sound amplifying equipment where such equipment is located outside of a residential or commercial structure or within such structures where it is obvious that the sound emitted from the amplifying equipment is intended to be transmitted to the outside through open doors or windows or other openings in the structure.

Sound amplifying equipment means any device for the amplification of the human voice, music, or any other sound, including televisions, electronic loud speakers, jukeboxes, stereos, compact disc players and radios.

Sound level meter means an instrument which includes a microphone, amplifier, IRS detector, integrator or time averages, output meter and weighting network used to measure sound pressure levels.

Unnecessary noise means any excessive or unusually loud sound which disturbs the peace and quiet of any neighborhood or which does annoy, disturb, injure or endanger the comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of any reasonable person of ordinary sensibilities or causes damage to property.

(B) All terminology not defined in this section but used in this article shall be in conformance with applicable publications of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) or its successor body.

(Ord. 08:007, passed 5-1-2008; Am. Ord. 09-04, passed 10-14-2009)

Sec. 91.03. - Sound level allowances.

(A) *General standards.* Except as set forth herein, it shall be unlawful during the daytime or night time hours for any person to cause or allow the emission of sound from any source or sources which, when measured pursuant to the procedure outlined by this article, exceed the maximum decibel limits as follows:

Zone	Time	Allowable dB(A) without amplified sound permit*	Allowable dB(A) with amplified sound permit*
Residential**	7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.	60	85
	10:00 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.	50	
Business***	7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.	75	
	10:00 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.	60	
WC Zone****	8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.		90
	7:00 a.m. - 12:00 a.m.	75	
	12:00 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.	60	
	8:00 a.m. - 1:00 a.m.		90

*Exceptions allowed in accordance with § 91.06

**Residential Zones: R-MF (CU), R-5 (CU), R-8 (CU), R-8A (CU), R-10 (CU), R-10MH (CU), R-15 (CU), R-20 (CU)
***Business Zones: B-I (CU), B-3 (CU), WC (CU), O & I (CU), CD (CU), L-I(CU), I-W(CU), I-P (CU)
****WC Zone: WC (CU)

(B) *Amplified sound permit standards.*

- (1) The amplified sounds authorized by the amplified sound permit under § 91.07 shall conform with the table in subsection (A) of this section.
- (2) In residentially zoned areas all outdoor amplified sound permits shall expire at 10:00 p.m. each night with the following exception. A nonprofit organization sponsoring a cultural event open to the general public on a fee or non-fee basis may be issued up to three outdoor amplified sound permits per calendar year that expire at 12:00 a.m. on a zoning parcel basis.
- (3) In all residentially zoned areas amplified sound permits are available only for zoning lots with habitable dwellings, and a maximum of four amplified sound permits may be issued for a zoning lot during a calendar year. An amplified sound permit issued under this article may be transferred to an owner's adjacent vacant lot or lots. Multi-family buildings and duplexes shall be considered one zoning lot.

(Ord. 08:007, passed 5-1-2008)

Sec. 91.04. - Noise measurement standards and determinations.

- (A) Sound level measurements shall be made with a sound level meter using the A-weighting scale set on low response.
- (B) Sound level meters shall be at least Type II meeting the American National Standard Institute (ANSI) S1.4-1971 requirements and shall be operated according to the manufacturer's standards. Person(s) using the sound level meters shall be trained in sound level measurement and the operation of sound level measurement equipment.
- (C) The measurement shall be made on the public street right-of-way adjoining the property where the noise is being produced, using sound measuring equipment. The measurement shall not be made on the private property where the noise is being produced. At the discretion of the police officer, the sound measurement may be taken on the property of the person complaining about the noise.
- (D) Sound measurements shall be conducted at the time when the suspect noise or sound is being emitted.

(Ord. 08:007, passed 5-1-2008)

Sec. 91.05. - Noises prohibited.

- (A) *General prohibitions.* In addition to the unlawful acts set forth in § 91.03, it shall be a public nuisance and therefore unlawful to create, cause or allow the continuance of any excessive or unusually loud noise which disturbs the peace and quiet of any neighborhood or which does annoy, disturb, injure or endanger the comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of any reasonable person of ordinary

sensibilities or causes damage to property particularly during the nighttime. The following are deemed to be examples of a violation of this section when the noise from such activity is of such character, intensity, and duration as to be a public nuisance:

- (1) *Yelling shouting, whistling, singing.* Yelling, shouting, whistling or singing on the public streets or private property particularly at nighttime.
 - (2) *Noisy parties.* Congregating or participating in any party or gathering of people particularly at nighttime.
 - (3) *Loading operations.* Loading, unloading, opening or otherwise handling boxes, crates, containers, or other similar objects during nighttime.
 - (4) *Repair of motor vehicles.* The repair, rebuilding or testing of any motor vehicle during nighttime.
 - (5) *Radio, phonograph, television, musical instruments.* The playing of any radio, phonograph, musical instrument, television or any similar device, particularly during nighttime.
 - (6) *Power equipment.* Operating or permitting the operation of any power saw, sander, drill, grinder, leaf blower, lawnmower or other garden equipment or tools of a similar nature outdoors during the nighttime.
- (B) *Specific prohibitions.* The following acts are declared unlawful.
- (1) *Horns and signaling devices.* The intentional sounding of any horn or signaling device of a motor vehicle on any street or public place continuously or intermittently, except as a danger or emergency warning. The intentional sounding of any horn or signaling device on any boat located at a private or public dock or on a public water continuously or intermittently, except as a danger or emergency warning or as required by United States Coast Guard regulation.
 - (2) *Motor vehicles.* Operating or permitting the operation of any motor vehicle or motorcycle not equipped with a muffler or other device in good working order so as to effectively prevent loud or explosive noises therefrom.
 - (3) *Explosives.* The use or firing of explosives, fireworks or similar devices unless pursuant to a lawfully issued permit.
 - (4) *Outdoor amplified sound.* Outdoor amplified sound exceeding the standards set forth in § 91.03.
 - (5) *Garbage disposal at night.*
 - (a) Any of the following acts during the nighttime:
 1. The dumping or emptying of garbage containers into garbage trucks;
 2. The operating of exterior mechanical trash compactors; or
 3. The placing or removing of garbage containers with motor vehicles.
 - (b) Excepted from the prohibitions in this subsection (B)(5) are garbage removal activities during events or festivals that have been specifically approved by the Board of Commissioners.
 - (6) *Loading and unloading activities at night.*
 - (a) Any of the following acts from 11:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m. within the WC and CD zoning districts:
 1. Loading or unloading of a vehicle with more than six wheels;
 2. The parking of a motor vehicle with more than six wheels with its engine running;
 3. The parking of a vehicle with more than six wheels with a refrigerated cargo compartment while the refrigeration unit is operating;
 4. The loading or unloading of cargo from a motor vehicle with the use of mechanical or hydraulic lifts; or

5. The outdoor dumping of bottles or cans from one container into another.

(b) Excepted from the prohibitions in this subsection (B)(6) are activities during events or festivals that have been specifically approved by the Board of Commissioners.

(C) *Incidental factors.* In determining whether a noise is a public nuisance, the following factors incident to such noise are to be considered.

(1) The time of day;

(2) Whether the noise is recurrent, intermittent or constant;

(3) The volume and intensity;

(4) Whether the noise has been enhanced in volume or range by any type of electronic or mechanical means; and

(5) Whether the noise is related to the normal operation of a business or other labor activity.

(D) *Enforcement.* The Chief of Police or designee shall have the authority to order those person(s) determined to be in violation of this article to cease producing the sound in excess of that authorized. Such order shall not affect other enforcement methods available to the town for violation of this article.

(Ord. 08:007, passed 5-1-2008)

Cross reference— Penalty, see § 91.99.

Sec. 91.06. - Exceptions.

The following are exempt from the provisions of this article:

(A) Any bell or chime from any building clock, school or church;

(B) Any siren, whistle or bell lawfully used by emergency vehicles or any other alarm systems used in an emergency situation, provided that burglar alarms not terminating within 30 minutes after the owner or tenant of the property has been notified shall be unlawful;

(C) Noise created as a result of or relating to an emergency;

(D) Warning devices required by OSHA or any local, county, state or federal safety regulations;

(E) Noise created by any aircraft flight operations which are specifically preempted by the Federal Aviation Administration;

(F) Noises resulting from the provision of municipal sanitation services;

(G) Commercial construction operations from the daylight hours between 7:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. for which building permits have been issued or for which permits are not required due to ownership of the project by an agency of government, providing all equipment is operated in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications and with all the manufacturer's standard mufflers and noise-reducing equipment in use and operating properly;

(H) All noises coming from motor vehicles properly equipped with the manufacturer's standard mufflers and noise-reducing equipment;

(I) Noise from lawful fireworks on legal holidays from dawn until the following midnight;

(J) Commercial lawnmowers and agricultural equipment used between the daylight hours of 7:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. when operated with all the manufacturer's standard mufflers and noise-reducing equipment in use and operating properly;

(K) Sound amplification equipment used in conjunction with a telecommunications system on business properties to notify employees of that business of incoming phone calls; providing that this system be

used only between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. and that any speakers attached to the system be oriented toward the interior of the property;

- (L) Sound emanating from regularly scheduled, outdoor athletic events held by schools or local government recreation departments;
- (M) Yard maintenance and construction activities by the occupants of private residences between 7:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.;
- (N) Noises resulting from the provision of government services;
- (O) Emergency work necessary to restore property to a safe condition following a fire, accident or natural disaster; to restore public utilities; or to protect persons or property from an imminent danger;
- (P) Sounds emitted by manufacturing operations in L-1, I-P, and I-W zones of less than 75 dB(A) at the property line; and
- (Q) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this article, noise pursuant to a permit issued under § 91.07 and within the decibel limits of § 91.03 shall not be a violation of § 91.05.
- (R) The sound of a person's voice at an event transmitted over a public address system prior to 8:30 p.m.; provided, however that the noise from such public address system shall not exceed the dB(A) limits provided in subsection (A) of this section, and, this exemption is only available on a zoning lot during two days during a calendar year.

(Ord. 08:007, passed 5-1-2008; Am. Ord. 09-04, passed 10-14-2009)

Cross reference— Penalty, see § 91.99.

Sec. 91.07. - Amplified sound permit.

(A) *Permit required.*

- (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to sponsor, promote, supervise, participate in or produce outdoor amplified sound in the town exceeding the dB(A) levels established in § 91.03(A) chart for "Allowable dB(A) without amplified sound permit" without having first secured an amplified sound permit under this section.
- (2) Permits issued under this section shall allow sound limits within the standards of § 91.03.
- (3) A minimum of 14 days before an event where outdoor amplified sound is to be used, the person, business or nonprofit organization sponsoring or promoting the event shall apply to the town for a permit authorizing the outdoor amplified sound. The 14-day period may be waived by the town for applications filed under the expedited process provided in subsection (A)(4) of this section. The application for the permit shall state the following:
 - (a) Name of the sponsoring person or organization;
 - (b) The proposed date or dates and time for the event utilizing outdoor amplified sound;
 - (c) The proposed location of the outdoor amplified sound;
 - (d) The estimated number of people who will attend the event;
 - (e) The type of outdoor amplified sound to be offered;
 - (f) The location, type and numbers of musical instruments to be involved in the outdoor amplified sound;
 - (g) The location and orientation of all devices to transmit amplified outdoor sound, including, but not limited to, loud speakers or any other non-amplified instrument or device, including but not limited to drums and other percussion devices, whether amplified or not, for the

purpose of creating noise at any performance, show, sale or display of merchandise involving outdoor amplified sound; and

(h) The direction that the outdoor amplified sound will project.

- (4) Failure to apply a minimum of 14 days prior to the date of the first proposed use of amplified outdoor sound at an event shall be grounds for denial of the application. Applicants who fail to meet the 14-day minimum may be granted a permit through a special expedited process upon payment of an additional fee to offset the town's staff costs of processing an expedited application.
- (5) Annual outdoor amplified sound permit. A business owner or operator within a nonresidential zoning district may apply for an annual outdoor amplified sound permit if the business provides events with amplified outdoor sound in a consistent manner. The application shall include the information listed in subsection (A)(3) of this section.
- (6) The applicant shall pay a fee for the investigation and processing of each permit and activities hereunder for each application.

(B) *Issuance and expiration.*

- (1) The applicant shall be the individual property owner, tenant or appointed agent responsible for the event. The applicant must designate on the application form a natural person who will be responsible for the permit holder's compliance with the terms of this article. This person shall be known in this article as the "monitor" and shall be an agent of the permit holder if he himself or she herself is not the permit holder.
- (2) The application for an outdoor amplified sound permit shall be investigated by the Building Inspector and the Chief of Police. The Town Clerk shall issue a permit allowing outdoor amplified sound to the applicant if the Building Inspector and the Chief of Police find as a fact that the proposed outdoor entertainment meets the following standards:
 - (a) The location and use of electrical equipment in connection with the outdoor entertainment meets the state's Electrical Code.
 - (b) Sound speakers will be elevated not more than ten feet off the ground.
 - (c) Sound speakers and amplified equipment will be arranged so as to minimize the disturbance to residences resulting from the orientation of amplifying equipment.
 - (d) The proposed site for the outdoor amplified sound is adequate for the number of people estimated to be in attendance and that adequate safety precautions have been provided for by the person sponsoring or promoting the entertainment.
 - (e) The proposed outdoor amplified sound will not interfere with the operations and functions of any hospital, rest home, family care home, group care facilities, private or public schools or day care centers.
- (3) Any permit issued pursuant to this section shall be valid only for the dates and time indicated in the permit. Upon expiration of a permit, a new application for a permit and an application fee is required for additional events on the property where amplified sound will be used, subject to the limits on the number of events on a lot in § 91.03(B). Annual outdoor amplified sound permits in non-residential zoning areas expire at the end of the calendar year for the year issued.
 - (a) For properties in residential zoning areas, a permit shall be issued and be valid for up to two consecutive days only beginning on the first proposed date of use of amplified sound.
 - (b) For properties in non-residential zoning areas, excluding properties for which an annual outdoor amplified sound permit has been issued, a permit shall be issued and be valid for up to seven consecutive days only beginning on the first proposed date of use of amplified sound.

(C) *Conditions.*

- (1) In a residentially zoned area, if the estimated number of people attending the event where an outdoor amplified sound permit is required exceeds 99, the permit holders are required to pay to the town a fee calculated by the Town Manager to be the cost to the town, including overtime pay, of assigning a police officer full-time to monitor the event.
 - (2) Permit holders shall agree to cooperate with the Police Department in enforcing this article by having the monitor available at the site during the entire time for which the permit has been issued and capable of assisting the police in enforcing this article. Failure of such monitor to be present or to assist the police in complying with the terms of the permit will be cause for the immediate revocation of said permit.
- (D) *Revocation.*
- (1) The Town Clerk shall have the authority to revoke any permit for outdoor amplified sound if he or she finds that the information stated in the application is incorrect, either when originally filed or at the time of the review by the Town Clerk, or that the terms and conditions of this article are not being complied with by the permit holder.
 - (2) Upon revocation of the permit, the permit holder shall not thereafter sponsor, promote, supervise, participate in or engage in any outdoor entertainment in the town without having secured another permit from the town.
 - (3) The Chief of Police or his or her designee shall have the authority to revoke any permit for outdoor entertainment if he or she finds that the noise created during an event exceeds allowable decibel levels or if he or she finds that the noise or a combination of noise and behaviors of participants constitutes a public nuisance, or if he or she notifies the monitor of a violation of this article or the conditions of the permit and the violation is not immediately abated and remains abated for the duration of the event.

(Ord. 08:007, passed 5-1-2008; Am. Ord. 09-04, passed 10-14-2009)

State Law reference— Authority to regulate mass gatherings, see G.S. 130A-258.



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**Town of Beaufort Board of Commissioners Regular Session
6:00 PM November 9, 2020**

AGENDA CATEGORY: Items for Discussion and Consideration

SUBJECT: Sewer Allocation Policy

BRIEF SUMMARY:

The Town of Beaufort has made significant public investments in improvements to the Town’s sewage treatment and disposal facilities and sewage collection and transmission system in order to avoid the environmental damage and danger to the public health caused by limited or inadequate collection and treatment of wastewater. Recognizing that the capacity of the treatment and disposal facilities is finite and adding additional capacity is expensive, the Board of Commissioners asked Town Staff to develop a Sewer Allocation Policy for consideration. Accordingly, a draft policy is attached for consideration.

The need for such policy has become even more evident with the acceptance of the Deerfield Shores Subdivision sewer system. This is because the pump station serving the subdivision has capacity for approximately 15 more residential units. There are however, approximately 17 vacant parcels which could be potentially served by the system. There also appears to be roughly 27 residences on individual septic systems meaning that a request for sewer service could come at any time from any of these locations due to a failing septic system. As such, some existing and potential property owners have contacted Town Staff wanting to procure allocation for future use. Attached is one such request received from an individual who desires to procure allocation for a parcel they plan to purchase. The proposed policy attempts to address this situation by allowing the owners/potential owners to reserve allocation for 2 years upon payment of a non-refundable reservation fee.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Consider approving the Sewer Allocation Policy as presented.

EXPECTED LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:


10 minutes

SUBMITTED BY:

Greg Meshaw, PE, Assistant Town Engineer

BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED:

No

	TOWN OF BEAUFORT POLICY	
	Department: Public Services	Effective Date:
Policy Title: Wastewater Allocation Policy Version No.: 001	Supersedes:	
	Prepared By: Gregory K. Meshaw, PE Town Engineer/Public Services Director	
	Approved By:	
	Approval Date:	

1. Purpose

The Town of Beaufort (“Town”) has made a significant public investment in improvements and increased capacity to the Town’s sewage treatment and disposal facilities (“Plants”) and sewage collection and transmission system (“Sewers”) in order to avoid the environmental damage and danger to the public health caused by limited or inadequate collection and treatment of wastewater. Recognizing that the capacity of the treatment and disposal facilities is finite and adding additional capacity is expensive, this Sewer Allocation Policy has been established to direct growth to areas most appropriate for the efficient provision of municipal sewer service while also establishing a plan for tracking this limited resource. Accordingly, the purpose of this policy is to effectively allocate available sewer capacity to new developments as a means of maintaining a reasonable balance of land-uses in a fair and equitable manner.

2. Definitions

The following words will have the meanings below when used in this ordinance:

- (A) Allocation: A conditional designation of estimated sewer treatment capacity to a specific owner and project, subject to the provisions of this policy and any document of approval.
- (B) Allocation Phase: A provision included as part of an allocation to a specific development that defines the amount of the total allocation which may be used at a specified time.
- (C) Applicant: Any individual, firm, partnership, company, association, corporation, governmental entity, or any other legal entity whose development or improvement of land requires sewer allocation under this policy. The Town may require disclosure of the names of all persons who have a financial interest in any project requesting or having been granted an allocation.

- (D) Application Requirements: All approvals, permits, and/or certifications required for an applicant to begin construction of the infrastructure necessary to serve a proposed development.
- (E) Development: An undertaking involving real property improvement put forth for consideration or acceptance for which Town and/or State approvals, authorizations, or permits are required. A division of real property improvements by phase and/or section lines does not constitute separate developments.
- (F) Development Proposal: An application for approval of a specific plan, subdivision, conditional use permit, site plan, parcel map, or any other discretionary development permit or entitlement application which has been filed with and is pending consideration by the Town.
- (G) DWR: The Division of Water Resources which is part of the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, or its successors, ensures safe drinking water in accordance with federal requirements, issues pollution control permits, monitors permit compliance, evaluates environmental water quantity and quality, and carries out enforcement actions for violations of environmental regulations.
- (H) GPD: Typical measurement of the flow or discharge of wastewater in gallons per day.
- (I) Infill Development: Development that is served by existing Town infrastructure and does not require a permit or permit modification from Division of Water Quality for new or existing sewer mains.
- (J) Infrastructure: The facilities and installations needed to support a proposed development such as transportation, water, sewer, recreation, and other improvements.
- (K) NCDEQ: The North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality or its successors.
- (L) Plat: A map, generally of a subdivision, showing the location, boundaries, and ownership of individual properties. A Plat may simply be the device for officially recording ownership changes, new lot divisions, or new rezonings.
- (M) PWS: The Public Water Supply Section, which is part of the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, or its successors, regulates public water systems within the state under the statutory authority of North Carolina General Statute 130A Article 10.
- (N) Reservation Fee: A fee for the allocation of sewage treatment capacity, specified as dollars per gpd, as established by the adopted fee schedule.
- (O) Reserve Capacity: The permitted sewer treatment capacity minus the actual wastewater flow being discharged to the treatment facility averaged over the preceding twelve months expressed in gallons per day or similar unit of measurement.

- (P) Sewer Allocation: A specified amount of sewage treatment capacity (typically measured in gallons per day, gpd) committed to a specific project through action by City staff or Board. An allocation may or may not include allocation phasing.
- (Q) Site Plan: A plan, drawn to scale and showing the scale for which it is drawn, showing uses and structures proposed for a parcel of land as required by the regulations involved. It includes lot lines, streets, building sites, reserved open space, existing structures, natural and man-made landscaping features and, depending on requirements, the location of proposed utility lines.
- (R) Sketch Plan: An illustrative plan or model that shows the maximum densities for residential and non-residential development, including building massing and height, locations of public use and other spaces, and the relationship to existing and proposed buildings and properties.
- (S) Uncommitted Reserve Capacity: Is that portion of the reserve capacity remaining after subtracting the development wastewater flow of all projects for which sewer allocation has been granted but have not yet begun discharging to the sewer collection system.
 - i. Where applicable, the rated capacity of pump stations and interceptors shall also be taken into account. The most restrictive volume prevails where rated capacities for various components of the collection system differ. For example, an allocation request for 10,000 gpd cannot be granted if the a pump station through which this flow would be routed has an uncommitted reserve capacity of only 6,000 gpd despite the wastewater treatment plant reserve capacity being on the order of tens or even hundreds of thousand gallons. The 10,000-gallon request could only be granted if plans for upgrading the capacity of the station have been approved for construction; the upgrade project has been bonded for construction; or the upgrade project is under construction.

3. Allocation Plan

- A. The approval of any Final Plat, Site Plan or Building Permit shall be contingent upon approval of sewer allocation adequate for the sewage flows expected to result from development. Under this policy, an approved allocation shall be a prerequisite to the approval of all Final Plats and Site Plans and the issuance of all building permits for those structures that are not part of a development with a previous allocation that has not reverted back to the Town through revocation or expiration.
- B. All sewer allocation requests shall be considered on a prioritized basis by category. Projects shall be grouped into one of the tiers below to determine the level of priority and level of consideration needed.
 - Tier 1 – Infill development, developments approved prior to effective date of this policy, and Town-funded projects.
 - Tier 2 – Requests that meet all Town application requirements.
 - Tier 3 – Requests that do not meet all Town application requirements.
- C. Sewer allocation necessary to serve proposed developments shall be based on use capacities as identified in Section 15A of the North Carolina Administrative Code o2T

.0114. All sewer capacity shall be considered, allocated, and tracked through the following categories.

- Residential
- Commercial
- Discretionary

4. Residential Allocation

- A. Residential Allocation will be considered for all single family, duplex, townhome, and apartment projects and shall be allocated over two categories. These categories are Single Family Developments which includes single family and duplexes; and Multi-Family Developments such as triplexes, quadplexes, townhomes, and apartments.
1. Single Family Development: Single family and duplex developments shall be eligible for a maximum allocation per development phase of 36,000 gpd per 12-month period or the equivalent of one hundred (100) three-bedroom units.
 2. Multi-Family Development: Developments such as triplex, quadplex, townhomes, and apartment projects shall be eligible for a maximum allocation per development phase of 48,000 gpd per 12-month period. For example, an applicant would be eligible for up to 200 two-bedroom units per phase.
- B. Residential Allocation shall be considered “used” when the Town Engineering Division as well as, the DWR and PWS Divisions of NCDEQ receive and approve the “Engineer’s Certification of Construction” and “As-Built Record Drawings” for the water and sanitary sewer improvements serving the project development phase that was granted the sewer allocation. Release of allocation for a subsequent phase of the development will not occur until the allocation for the prior phase has been used.

5. Commercial Allocation

- A. The Commercial Category shall include all developments that are commercial or industrial in nature. The maximum allocation per development phase for projects in the Commercial Category is 15,000 gpd per 12-month period.
- B. Sewer allocation granted from the Commercial Category shall be considered “used” when the water meter is installed for the structure to which the allocation was committed.

6. Discretionary Allocation

The Discretionary Category shall include all municipal projects and any other development as approved by Town Board. There is no maximum allocation per development phase; however, Board reserves the right to set a maximum allocation available per phase if deemed appropriate.

7. Procedure

- A. All sewer allocation requests shall be made in writing on the Town’s standard form.
- B. All applicants requesting water and/or sewer service outside Town limits shall file a petition for annexation with the Town accompanied by the applicable processing fee. The

Town will generally consider annexation and extension of utilities to areas within growth areas, though areas outside of a growth area may be considered.

1. Sewer allocation requests shall be considered for a proposed development only after the project site has been annexed or an agreement for out-of-Town services has been approved.

C. Tier 1 projects may be reviewed and approved by Town Staff if application requirements have been satisfied and all applicable conditions have been met. Staff shall have the authority to grant allocation to infill developments, plans eligible for approval by Town staff that do not require consideration by the Board, and Town-funded projects requiring allocation of no more than 10,000 gpd. In addition, staff may grant additional allocation to serve subsequent phases of developments approved prior to the effective date of this policy if:

- 1. the approved plan is still valid;
- 2. previous allocations have been used; and
- 3. the allocation being requested does not exceed the allocation limits per development phase as prescribed by this Policy.

D. Sewer allocation requests for Tier 1 projects that do not meet the criteria of paragraph 7.B must be reviewed and approved by Town Board.

E. Tier 2 projects shall include development proposals that have met all applicable Town application requirements. Approval of allocation for these projects shall follow the same final approval process as required for development proposal. For example, site plans or subdivisions requiring Town Board consideration shall require allocation to also be considered by Board. If a plan is eligible for approval by Town staff, then the allocation may also be granted at a staff level

F. Tier 3 projects are the lowest priority in consideration for reserving sewer allocation. Typically, these projects are speculative in nature since the applicant has not made a significant investment in the proposed project. Board will consider reserving allocation for these projects upon submittal of a preliminary plan or sketch plan and a reservation fee in accordance with this policy.

- 1. The preliminary plan or sketch plan for a Tier 3 allocation request shall meet the minimum requirements for site plans as established on the Town’s standard “Building Permit Application” or in the case of subdivisions, the minimum requirements for sketch plans as described by the Town’s Subdivision Ordinance.
- 2. The reservation fee shall be a nonrefundable per gallon charge based on twenty percent (20%) of the sewer system development fees in effect at the time the allocation request is made. If, for any reason, the applicant fails to meet the milestones, as stated in this section, the reservation fee shall be forfeited, and the allocation shall automatically revert to the Town. If the applicant meets the prescribed milestones, the reservation fee shall be credited to the sewer system development fee required for the proposed project.
- 3. Tier 3 projects shall have twenty-four (24) months to receive all approvals, certifications, and/or permits to begin construction of the water and sewer

infrastructure. Once the development has received all approvals and final sewer allocation, the allocation shall be used in accordance with the timeframe as established in the Expiration section of this Policy or the reservation fee and allocation shall be forfeited.

- G. An applicant may request allocation sufficient to serve two phases of a development. Such request shall be for the initial phase and reservation of allocation for the successive phase. A request for phased allocation shall be accompanied by a development phasing schedule that clearly shows the planned phases of the development together with the allocations desired per phase.
 - 1. A request to release allocation for a subsequent phase may be made once an allocation for a previous phase has been used.
 - 2. Staff may release an approved allocation phase once the prior phase has been used and all provisions of this policy have been satisfied.
- H. An applicant is only eligible to reserve allocation to serve the equivalent of two developments, for use per 12-month period, in any one category.

2. Expiration

- A. Sewer allocation granted to a development shall be “used”, as defined herein, within twenty-four (24) months of approval. Thereafter, any allocation reserved for a subsequent phase of development must be used within 12 months of the allocation being released for that phase. If allocation has not been used within the stipulated time periods it shall automatically revert to the Town.
 - 1. An allocation will not be granted until the plans have been approved or the review has been completed whenever a development proposal is part of a project.

3. Extensions

- A. Town staff may grant a 6-month first extension to a development unable to use the initial allocation within the 24-month period. The request for such extension must be accompanied by documentation demonstrating use of allocation before the expiration date is unavoidable due to factors beyond the applicant’s control. The six-month extension may be granted if, at the sole discretion of staff, the delay is a result of factors beyond the applicant’s control.
- B. Town Board may consider additional extensions for developments with valid plans in 12-month increments. Extension requests made to Board shall be accompanied by a non-refundable processing fee as identified in the adopted Fee Schedule.

4. Appeal Process

Staff decisions may be appealed to Town Board. Appeal requests must be in writing and include a detailed description of the proposed development, allocation requested, and reason for the appeal. All decisions rendered by Board shall be final.

5. Reversion and Revocation

- A. Sewer allocation is granted to a specific development to be located on a specific parcel or parcels of land and based on the approved development which received sewer allocation. Upon completion of the development or permit expiration, the unused allocation (adjusted to the actual development constructed, if necessary), will automatically revert to the Town. Further, allocation granted to a development may be immediately revoked and the Reservation Fee forfeited immediately upon written notice to the applicant that Town staff has determined the allocation was granted based on false or misleading information.
- B. Town Board reserves the right to revoke allocation, if deemed necessary, on projects (or portions thereof) with excess capacity or where system development fees have not been paid within thirty-six (36) months of the original allocation.
- C. Any sewer allocation granted outside the provisions of this Policy from the effective date forward shall be null and void unless granted by Town Board pursuant to Section 13, Policy Review.

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6. Transferability

Sewer Allocation may only be used for the specific development on the parcel(s) for which it was originally granted. Unused sewer allocation for a development may only be transferred from the individual, firm, partnership, company, association, corporation, governmental entity, or other legal entity owning the development to another only after receiving written authorization from the Town. Under no circumstances shall allocation be used for any other development.

7. Policy Review

Town Board hereby reserves all rights to review, modify, or deviate from this policy at the sole discretion of the Board. This shall include, but is not limited to:

- granting variances to the policy;
- determining sewer capacity available per category to maintain a fair and equitable balance between categories and to promote growth deemed in the best interest of the Town;
- the release of additional allocation recaptured through the Town’s Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) detection and elimination program; and
- other relevant factors as determined by Board.

8. Severability

If any portion of this Policy and any amendments made hereto are held unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Policy and any amendments made hereto shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

9. Effective Date

This policy shall become effective upon adoption by the Town of Beaufort Board of Commissioners. This policy does not supersede or nullify any agreement concerning the allocation of sewer which existed at the time of adoption of this policy.

WASTEWATER ALLOCATION REQUEST



4.

TOWN OF Beaufort
Public Services Department
701 Front Street, Beaufort, NC 2816
P.O. Box 390, Beaufort, NC 28516
Phone: 252-728-2141

WASTEWATER ALLOCATION REQUEST

The Town of Beaufort, in an effort to manage and maintain the sewer and water capacity for the Town, requires that this application be completed and submitted to the Town for consideration of a utility allocation. Review fee is due upon submittal of request.

Wastewater Allocation Request Review Fee: \$50

SITE INFORMATION

Name of Project: _____ **Acreeage of Property:** _____
County Tag Number: _____ **NC PIN:** _____
Address/Location: _____

Zoning District: _____
Location Status: Town Limits Existing Out-of-Town Service Area
 Out-of-Town Service Approval/Agreement

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant: _____
Mailing Address: _____
Phone Number: _____ **Fax:** _____
Contact Person: _____
Email Address: _____

PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
Phone Number: _____ **Fax:** _____
Email Address: _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received: _____ File Number/Name: _____

PROJECT INFORMATION

Use: New Expanded Change

Use Type: Residential Commercial

Proposed Use(s): _____ Existing Use(s): _____

Developer Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Email Address: _____

ALLOCATION REQUEST (See instructions on page 3 regarding use of Professional Engineer)

The following supplemental information is required:

- Complete development proposal for Tier 1 or Tier 2 allocation request
- Preliminary plan or sketch plan for Tier 3 allocation request meeting requirements for site plans as established on the Town's Building Permit Application or as described for sketch plans by the Town's Subdivision Ordinance
- If a phasing schedule is proposed, include as an attachment

Residential:

Gross Acreage: _____

Single Family	# of Units	GPD per Unit	Total Requested GPD
1-2 Bedroom Units			
3 Bedroom Units			
>3 Bedroom Units			
Total		-----	

Multi-Family	# of Units	GPD per Unit	Total Requested GPD
1-2 Bedroom Units			
3 Bedroom Units			
>3 Bedroom Units			
Total		-----	

Non-Residential: (Design Flow Guideline provided as Appendix A)*

**If design flow deviates from the flow rates presented in Appendix A, provide supporting documentation/justification as an attachment in the form of 12 months of water bills demonstrating gallons per day utilized.*

Gross Acreage: _____

Use	Measurement Unit	# of Units	GPD per Unit	Total Requested GPD
Total			-----	

TOTAL REQUESTED GALLONS PER DAY: _____

APPLICANT AFFIDAVIT

I/We, the undersigned, do hereby make application and petition to the Town of Beaufort to approve the subject Wastewater Allocation. I hereby certify that I have full legal right to request such action and that the statements or information made in any paper or plans submitted herewith are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand this application, related material and all attachments become official records of the Planning Department of the Town of Beaufort, North Carolina, and will not be returned.

Print Name

Signature of Applicant

Date

ENGINEER'S CERTIFICATION

The allocation request data provided on page 2 of this form shall be provided by a Professional Engineer for all requests except single lot residential infill requests and commercial requests equal to or less than 250 gallons per day. The certification statement below shall be completed by the Professional Engineer providing the data.

I, _____ hereby attest that the total requested allocation and the values used to derive the total are to the best of my knowledge, accurate and complete having been prepared in accordance with the instructions of this form while also adhering to applicable State laws, regulations, and rules, concerning the determination of design daily wastewater flows from facilities served by public wastewater collection and treatment systems.

Signed and Dated Professional Engineer Seal

Firm Name

Address

Telephone No.

Email Address

Approved by: Town Engineer
 Board of Comissioners

Allocation approved: _____ gallons per day

Date of Approval: _____

Confirmation signature by:

Town Manager

APPENDIX A: DESIGN FLOW RATES

The following table from the North Carolina Administrative Code 02T.0114 shall be used to determine the minimum allowable design daily flow of wastewater facilities. Alternatively, the Town in its sole and absolute discretion may calculate the customer's initial average daily wastewater flow based on data from the customer's operations (or from similarly situated customers) with a comparable sanitary sewer system, where such data are available and reasonably current.

Establishment Type	Daily Flow Rate
Barber and Beauty Shops	
Barber Shops	50 gal/chair
Beauty Shops	125 gal/booth or bowl
Businesses, Offices and Factories	
General business and office facilities	25 gal/employee/shift
Factories, excluding industrial waste	25 gal/employee/shift
Factories or businesses with showers or food preparation	35 gal/employee/shift
Warehouse	100 gal/loading bay
Warehouse – self storage (not including caretaker residence)	1 gal/unit
Churches	
Churches without kitchens, day care or camps	3 gal/seat
Churches with kitchen	5 gal/seat
Churches providing day care or camps	25 gal/person (child & employee)
Fire, Rescue and Emergency Response	
Fire or rescue stations without on-site staff	25 gal/person
Fire or rescue stations with on-site staff	50 gal/person/shift
Food and Drink Facilities	
Banquet, dining hall	30 gal/seat
Bars, cocktail lounges	20 gal/seat
Caterers	50 gal/100 sq. ft. floor space
Restaurant, full Service	40 gal/seat
Restaurant, single service articles	20 gal/seat
Restaurant, drive-in	50 gal/car space
Restaurant, carry out only	50 gal/100 sq. ft. floor space
Institutions, dining halls	5 gal/meal
Deli	40 gal/100 sq. ft. floor space
Bakery	10 gal/100 sq. ft. floor space
Meat department, butcher shop or fish market	75 gal/100 sq. ft. floor space
Specialty food stand or kiosk	50 gal/100 sq. ft. floor space
Hotels and Motels	
Hotels, motels and bed & breakfast facilities, without in-room cooking facilities	120 gal/room
Hotels and motels, with in-room cooking facilities	175 gal/room
Resort hotels	200 gal/room
Cottages, cabins	200 gal/unit
Self-service laundry facilities	500 gal/machine
Medical, Dental and Veterinary Facilities	
Medical or dental offices	250 gal/practitioner/shift
Veterinary offices (not including boarding)	250 gal/practitioner/shift
Veterinary hospitals, kennels, animal boarding facilities	20 gal/pen, cage, kennel or stall
Hospitals, medical	300 gal/bed
Hospitals, mental	150 gal/bed
Convalescent, nursing, rest homes without laundry facilities	60 gal/bed
Convalescent, nursing, rest homes with laundry facilities	120 gal/bed
Residential care facilities	60 gal/person
Parks, Recreation, Camp Grounds, R-V Parks and other Outdoor Activity Facilities	
Campgrounds with comfort station, without water or sewer hookups	75 gal/campsite

Establishment Type	Daily Flow Rate
Campgrounds with water and sewer hookups	100 gal/campsite
Campground dump station facility	50 gal/space
Construction, hunting or work camps with flush toilets	60 gal/person
Construction, hunting or work camps with chemical or portable toilets	40 gal/person
Parks with restroom facilities	250 gal/plumbing fixture
Summer camps without food preparation or laundry facilities	30 gal/person
Summer camps with food preparation and laundry facilities	60 gal/person
Swimming pools, bathhouses and spas	10 gal/person
Public access restrooms	325 gal/plumbing fixture
Schools, Pre-school and Day Care	
Day care and preschool facilities	25 gal/person (child & employee)
Schools with cafeteria, gym and showers	15 gal/student
Schools with cafeteria	12 gal/student
Schools without cafeteria, gym or showers	10 gal/student
Boarding schools	60 gal/person (student & employee)
Service Stations and Car Wash Facilities	
Service stations, gas stations	250 gal/plumbing fixture
Car wash facilities	1200 gal/bay
Sports Centers	
Bowling center	50 gal/lane
Fitness, exercise, karate or dance center	50 gal/100 sq. ft.
Tennis, racquet ball	50 gal/court
Gymnasium	50 gal/100 sq. ft.
Golf course with only minimal food service	250 gal/plumbing fixture
Country clubs	60 gal/member or patron
Mini golf, putt-putt	250 gal/plumbing fixture
Go-kart, motocross	250 gal/plumbing fixture
Batting cages, driving ranges	250 gal/plumbing fixture
Marinas without bathhouse	10 gal/slip
Marinas with bathhouse	30 gal/slip
Video game arcades, pool halls	250 gal/plumbing fixture
Stadiums, auditoriums, theaters, community centers	5 gal/seat
Stores, Shopping Centers, Malls and Flea Markets	
Auto, boat, recreational vehicle dealerships/showrooms with restrooms	125 gal/plumbing fixture
Convenience stores, with food preparation	60 gal/100 sq. ft.
Convenience stores, without food preparation	250 gal/plumbing fixture
Flea markets	30 gal/stall
Shopping centers and malls with food service	130 gal/1000 sq. ft.
Stores and shopping centers without food service	100 gal/1000 sq. ft.
Transportation Terminals	
Air, bus, train, ferry, port and dock	5 gal/passenger

Source: North Carolina Administrative Code 02T.0114, January 1, 2007

Herb & Debra Ridgeway
727 Swan Neck Lane
Raleigh, NC 27615

October 15, 2020

Council / Board members,

Thank you for taking the time to consider our request to secure sewer service for property located at 803 Deerfield Drive.

My name is Herb Ridgeway. I am 63 years old. My family has been coming down to the coast in this area since I was a child. My parents retired and relocated there, and I would like to retire there as well. We have entered into a contract to buy the property at 803 Deerfield Dr. and are still in the Due Diligence period.

The lot does not perk, we knew that when we signed the contract, but the Town of Beaufort sewer line runs along the front of the property. We thought we would just connect to the Town sewer system.

While looking into the cost of connecting Mr. Meshaw told us that it was the policy of the Town to not let people “reserve” what limited space was available for future use. The capacity of the system in place only had room for another 15 spaces and they were for the immediate need of first come – first serve customers. The Town requires approved plans, specifications and building permits to apply for one of these spots. We don’t have those yet.

Our retirement timeline is about 3 to 4 years out. Here is the plan.

- 1 Buy a lot. Clean it up, keep the grass cut, maybe do a little landscaping where it won’t be in the way of construction.
- 2 Get our house plans drawn up. We have already been in contact with Front Street Design. I work at an engineering company but I’m not an architect. We have sketched up a house that hopefully Front Street Design can develop it into a set of plans. This may take a few months, last time we talked they were pretty busy.
- 3 Find a couple of builders, get quotes, and pick one. This may also take a few months or more. We’ve never tried to get a builder to spec out a house and get permits, I don’t know how long that takes.
- 4 Start construction within the next year or so and hopefully finish construction in about 2 years. I can (and have been because of Covid) work from home so the plan was to move there and maybe work the last couple of years from there.

The only problem with the plan is, we can not buy a piece of property, spend a year getting plans and builders and permits just to come down to find out that all the allocated sewer connections are gone. I totally understand why the Town has the policy they do, but for us, having a sewer connection does in

fact seem like an immediate need because there is no way to build a home on this property without the Town sewer connection. We would like to make a proposal for your consideration.

There is a system development fee of \$5524. We would like to pay this fee to hold 1 of the 15 spots as soon as we have the closing on the property. We will agree to make the payment NON-Transferrable and NON-Refundable so the Town will be assured that we are not trying to reserve a space to resell the property. We will also agree to a time period that is agreeable with the Town to get our plans and permits in place. We would like to suggest 1 year.

I know this may not be any of the Towns concern but because of Covid the price of building has gone up dramatically. We have not designed our retirement plan around this but it would be advantageous for us to let this pandemic settles down a little before we start construction – Not that it would effect any agreement we came to.

Thank you again for taking the time to consider our request.

Herb & Debra Ridgeway

Cell 919-274-9775



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**Town of Beaufort Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
6:00 PM, Monday, Nov. 9, 2020 – Held Through Zoom Due to COVID19 Pandemic**

AGENDA CATEGORY: Items for Discussion and Consideration
SUBJECT: Bailey v. the Town of Beaufort, et. al, 19 CVS 311

BRIEF SUMMARY:

A full and final settlement as to all defendants in Bailey v. the Town of Beaufort has been reached for the sum of \$70,000.00, plus payment of mediator’s fees. The settlement includes mutual releases of all claims and confidentiality and non-disparagement clauses. The pending litigation will be dismissed as a condition of settlement.

Funds for the settlement and mediator’s fees are provided by the Town’s liability carrier.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Ratify settlement agreement.

EXPECTED LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:

5 minutes

SUBMITTED BY:

Jill Quattlebaum, Town Attorney

BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED:

No

SETTLEMENT AND RELEASE AGREEMENT

This *Settlement and Release Agreement* (“Agreement”) is made and entered into between MS. MEREDITH BAILEY (“Ms. Bailey” or “Plaintiff”) and THE TOWN OF BEAUFORT (“Town” or “Beaufort”), a North Carolina municipal corporation formed pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 160A of the North Carolina General Statutes, and MR. MARK EAKES, an employee of the Town of Beaufort.

RECITALS

This AGREEMENT is made with reference to the following facts:

- A. **WHEREAS**, Ms. Bailey is a former employee of the Town and has filed a lawsuit against the Town and Mr. Eakes (collectively referred to as “Defendants”) that is currently pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina and that is captioned *Meredith Bailey v. The Town of Beaufort, et al.*, Civil Action No. 4:19-cv-00060-FL (the “Lawsuit”); and
- B. **WHEREAS**, the Town and Mr. Eakes deny the validity of Bailey’s claims and further dispute whether they are subject to any liability whatsoever; and
- C. **WHEREAS**, the parties all desire to buy their peace, resolve the lawsuit and settle any and all disputes between them without resort to further litigation.

In consideration of the mutual covenants and promises contained in this Agreement and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged by all of the parties, the parties agree to be legally bound by the following terms and conditions, which constitute full settlement of any and all potential disputes, debts or other amounts owed between them:

1. Payment.

In consideration of Ms. Bailey’s release of all claims of any and all kinds as set forth in Paragraph 2, and for other good and valuable consideration the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties agree to the following:

(a) The Town, or the Interlocal Risk Financing Fund of North Carolina (“IRRFNC”), as the risk pool providing certain coverage and indemnity for the Town, agrees to pay to the order of Ms. Bailey the total sum of \$70,000.00. This sum shall be tendered to Ms. Bailey’s attorney, Ms. Mary-Ann Leon, in two separate checks, made payable as follows: (i) a check for \$39,900.00, made payable to Ms. Bailey; (ii) a check for \$30,100.00, made payable to the Leon Law Firm, P.C..

(b) These checks shall be tendered no later than 20 business days following the execution of this Agreement. Upon receipt of the checks, Plaintiff shall cause her attorney to file a voluntary dismissal of the Lawsuit, with prejudice.

(c) The Town (or IRRFNC, as the case may be) shall issue an IRS Form 1099 to Ms. Bailey and to The Leon Law Firm, P.C., for the payment(s) described herein. To the fullest extent permissible by law, Ms. Bailey agrees that she (i) shall be solely responsible for the payment of any tax liability that may arise as a result of the payment(s); and (ii) shall indemnify the Town, IRRFNC, or any of the other Released Parties, of any from any taxes, interest, or penalties that may be levied, assessed or incurred on account of the payment(s).

(d) As additional consideration for the Plaintiff’s promises as contained in this Agreement, the Town (or IRRFNC, as the case may be) agrees that it shall be responsible for payment of Plaintiff’s portion of the fees charged by the mediator, Patricia Holland.

(e) In exchange, Ms. Bailey agrees to execute this full, final, and complete release and settlement of any and all claims, as set forth below, and agrees to perform certain other obligations, as set forth below. Ms. Bailey acknowledges the sufficiency of this consideration.

2. Mutual Releases. Ms. Bailey, for and in consideration of the promises made by the Town and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, does for herself, her agents, personal representative(s), heirs, spouse, executors, administrators, and assigns, release and forever discharge the Town and all of its present and former officials (whether elected or appointed), agents, employees, officers, attorneys, insurers, and any other related or affiliated persons or entities of the above-listed parties (collectively, the

“Released Parties”), of and from all and any manner of actions, causes of action, claims, demands, costs, expenses, attorneys’ fees, and all consequential, general, special, and punitive damages, whether known or unknown, on account of, or in any way related to or growing out of her work with the Town or any of the other Released Parties, to and including the date of the execution of this Agreement.

Ms. Bailey acknowledges the receipt of consideration which extinguishes her prior or potential claims, and she specifically discharges, as permitted by law, any claim(s) she may have against the Released Parties under any of the following statutes, if applicable, the Fair Labor Standards Act (“FLSA”), the Retaliatory Employment Discharge Act (“REDA”), the Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”), Title VII, the North Carolina Equal Employment Practices Act, the North Carolina Handicapped Persons Protection Act, the North Carolina Wage & Hour Act, the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (“COBRA”); any claims for wrongful discharge (actual or constructive), breach of express or implied contract, unpaid wages, unpaid bonuses, insurance or other fringe benefit, unpaid expenses, vacation or sick leave pay, harassment, retaliation, civil assault, battery or false imprisonment, intentional or negligent infliction of emotional distress, defamation; and/or any and all claims or causes of action based on any theory of contract, tort, or based on federal, state, local, or common law.

Mr. Mark Eakes and The Town (by and through action and authority of its Town Council and its Town Manager, Mr. John Day) do for themselves, and their respective agents, officials, employees, and other affiliated parties, release and forever discharge Ms. Bailey of and from all and any manner of actions, causes of action, claims, demands, costs, expenses, attorneys’ fees, and all consequential, general, special, and punitive damages known as of the date of this Agreement that are in any way related to or growing out of Ms. Bailey’s work with the Town or any of the other Released Parties.

3. **No Admission of Liability.** The parties specifically agree that this Agreement is not intended as or to be construed as an admission of liability by any party and that neither party shall be considered a prevailing party for any purpose.

4. **Confidentiality and Non-Disparagement.** Ms. Bailey and Mr. Eakes agree that they shall not publicly comment on the terms of this Agreement and shall not reveal to anyone, other than their respective attorneys, spouses (if married), and tax advisors, any of the terms of this Agreement, including without limitation the amount paid pursuant to the Agreement, unless ordered to do so by a court of competent jurisdiction, or as is strictly necessary to comply with some other law, without regard to whether the Town may be required to do so under North Carolina law. Further, Ms. Bailey and Mr. Eakes agree that they shall not make any disparaging or derogatory statements about each other, the Town and/or any of the Released Parties or make any statements which might be considered defamatory about the Town and/or Released Parties. In response to any inquiry about the Agreement, Ms. Bailey and Mr. Eakes agree that they shall respond only that this dispute with the Town “has been resolved,” and they “are satisfied with the resolution of the matter.”

For the purposes of this Agreement, a “disparaging or derogatory statement” about the Town and/or Released Parties is limited to statements that relate to, regard, or discuss any aspect of Ms. Bailey’s employment (or separation from employment) with the Town, or any aspect of her work-related interactions with the Town and/or Released Parties.

For its part, the Town agrees that it will instruct its elected and appointed officials (including, without limitation, Mr. Eakes) to not make any disparaging or derogatory statements about Ms. Bailey, or any statements that might be considered defamatory about her. In response to any request for an employment reference, the Town will provide only those details which are

considered a matter of public record pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 160A-168, or other statutory requirements.

4(a). Modification of Bailey’s Separation Status. Ms. Bailey may, if she chooses to do so, submit a written request (as provided by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 160A-168(d)) that her termination be rescinded and that she be allowed to retroactively submit a voluntary resignation, with an effective date of March 31, 2017. The Town agrees that, upon such a request, Ms. Bailey’s termination will be rescinded and her separation from employment shall be treated as a resignation. In the event Ms. Bailey elects to pursue this course of action, the Town shall respond to any inquiry about her separation by stating that she resigned, effective March 31, 2017.

4(b). Agreement to not apply for work with Released Parties. As part of the consideration she has provided for this Agreement, Ms. Bailey agrees that she will not apply (or reapply) for work with any of the Released Parties in the future.

5. Acknowledgment. Ms. Bailey acknowledges that: (a) she has relied wholly upon her own judgment, belief and knowledge of the nature and extent of her employment, statutory and/or common law claims and has relied upon the advice of an attorney of her own choosing; (b) she does not rely and has not relied upon or been influenced to any extent by any representation or statement made by the Town or any of the Released Parties or their representatives or agents with regard to the subject matter, basis or effect of this Agreement or otherwise in executing this Agreement; (c) The Town and Released Parties have no further obligation for any monetary payments (nor for any other claims of any sort) to Ms. Bailey relative to her employment with the Town and separation therefrom; and (d) the consideration

provided to her pursuant to this Agreement is in excess of anything of value to which she is otherwise entitled.

6. **Complete Agreement.** This Agreement constitutes the full and complete understanding and agreement of the parties with respect to all subjects addressed herein and supersedes and replaces any and all prior negotiations and agreements, proposed or otherwise, whether written or oral. There are no other agreements other than those set forth herein, and no amendment, deletion, addition, modification, or waiver of any provision of this Agreement shall be binding or enforceable unless in writing and signed by all parties.

7. **Severability.** The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision. If any provision(s) or portion(s) of this Agreement are or become invalid, illegal or unenforceable, such provision(s) or portion(s) shall be deemed stricken and the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

8. **Choice of Law.** This Agreement shall be construed according to North Carolina law.

9. **Headings.** The headings and paragraphs in this Agreement are for convenience only and shall not be construed or interpreted as any limitation or modification of the terms of this Agreement.

10. **Governing Body Approval.** Because one of the parties to this Settlement and Release Agreement is a municipality, the parties agree and acknowledge that this Agreement is subject to approval by Town of Beaufort's Board of Commissioners.

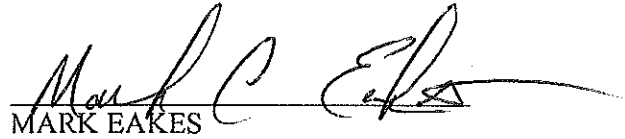
I acknowledge that I have read and agree to the terms of this *Settlement and Release*.

Agreement.

Date: 10/29/2020


MEREDITH BAILEY

Date: 11/3/2020


MARK EAKES

Date: _____

TOWN OF BEAUFORT

By: _____

John Day, Town Manager