



TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2020, • 6:30 pm.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - Mayor Hellyer called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Mayor Hellyer, Mayor Pro Tempore Scoles, Councilmembers Pellegrino, Drake, Dietrich, Holder, and Keating were in attendance. Others present Town Attorney Crosby, and Town Clerk Sheri Medina.
2. **INVOCATION; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
 - A. Invocation: Rev. Jeff Wood, Oasis of Hope Church gave the invocation
 - B. Pledge of Allegiance: The Mayor led in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **PUBLIC HEARING**
 - A. TO HEAR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ORDINANCE 20-0223, THE 2020-21 FISCAL YEAR MUNICIPAL BUDGET AND TO SET THE TAX MILLAGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR. The Mayor stated tonight we have a public hearing to hear public comment on Ordinance 20-0223, the 20-21 fiscal year municipal budget, and to set the millage for the fiscal year. There was no public comment.
4. **MOTIONS RELATING TO AGENDA - None**
5. **MINUTES APPROVAL**
 - A. Councilmember Holder made a motion to approve the May 26, 2020, minutes as presented. Councilmember Drake seconded. All voted in favor. **Motion carried.**
 - B. Councilmember Holder made a motion to approve the May 27, 2020, budget workshop meeting minutes as presented. Councilmember Keating seconded. All voted in favor. **Motion carried.**
6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items Only - None**
7. **COMMUNICATIONS –**
 - A. **DISCUSSION – GOLF CARTS ON THE FRONTAGE ROAD** – Mayor Hellyer stated there were plenty of complaints during the construction for Business 17. They eliminated the golf cart's ability to go to the beach from Deerfield and to get back home. If you came out of Platt Blvd, you could take a right on the frontage road, and go south, come over Fifth Avenue, at the light go down to the beach. But, when it's time to come back from the beach, you would come back the same route, but when you got in front of the Plantation Resort on the frontage road, it's one way - do not enter. So, there's no way to get into Deerfield from there. People were going the wrong way on the road. The Police Department was writing tickets.

This created a lot of controversy. I talked to the town administrator, John Adair, and the Chief of Police to discuss the issues. We have the same problem at 10 Ave S at Hudson Flea Market. You can't take a golf cart there right now, because you can't make a left onto the Frontage road from 10th Ave S to go to the flea market.

With everybody going the wrong way on the one-way street, we had a meeting with the Derek, SCDOT, at the Refuel Gas Station. We talked about what we're going to do. Chief Hoffmann put a map on the police Facebook page that shows that SCDOT is going to put a golf cart path that goes from the frontage road past the Denny's, at the Plantation Resort, through Platt Blvd, on the Frontage Road on the other side. So, if you are here in town and you wanted to go to Harbor Freight on a golf cart, you will be able to do that in the future, because you'll be able to go down the frontage Road crossover Platt Blvd, stay on the frontage road and go all the way down to the Harbor Freight, Ollie's, wherever you want to go, and then you'd be able to use that same route coming back.

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56 They said that it would be done in two weeks. I looked at it yesterday, and they are aggressively working on it.
57 They have the path already underway, and they're ready to put in the gravel.
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59 There have also been some complaints about the closure of the Frontage Road at 5th Ave N. What everybody's
60 doing is going through the Twins parking lot to get to the Frontage Road and on to the Post Office, etc. People
61 should be going all the way up 5th to Azalea, left on Azalea to 2nd, left on 2nd back to the Frontage Road. We are
62 going to talk about this. There are approximately 400 parking spots in the Piggly Wiggly. There are approximately
63 150 spots at the Crabby Mike's with another 80 spots in their back parking lot, with the only way to get out is
64 through the 2nd Avenue stop sign and then onto 17, and you have to make a right. This creates a traffic and
65 safety issue at that stop sign.
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67 This Friday, Chief Hofmann, John Adair, and I are having a telephone conference with SCDOT to try to address
68 these issues. I want everyone to know we're working on it and we're hoping to get something done to cure the
69 5th Street; something done to cure the 2nd street a little bit, and also the Hudson's Fleet Market. I have no
70 guarantee on any of this, but they have been receptive to us when we've talked about Deerfield, and hopefully,
71 we'll get something done this Friday in our conference call.
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73 Councilmember Scoles stated I have a question that is going to be an additional cost to the town for doing the
74 golf cart path? Mayor Hellyer stated None. It's not going to cost us anything to do what we did at Deerfield. What
75 they're talking about maybe doing is Hudson has to deal with the private property. So it may be the water park,
76 and Hudson can give us an easement, but probably at the expense of the town.
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78 **B. STATUS OF PARKING COMMITTEE** – Mayor Hellyer stated one of the parking issues is the C2 district,
79 which is everything that's up on Surfside Drive and third Avenue near the Sundown, The Wooden Spoon, Surfside
80 Pizza, Benjamin's Bakery, and everything else on Surfside Drive. There are complaints that we have signs here
81 that say two-hour parking and that we have business owners parking in the spots all day long and that we have
82 no enforcement on it. So that was one reason for the parking committee.
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84 The other was to look at the parking for golf carts on Beach Access. There are over 100 spots over there that are
85 for golf carts on Beach Access, and they are typically filled up with most of the people that Deerfield and most of
86 the people that are coming from the rental carts that are coming out of Garden City because we have nicer
87 beaches. The question is, should we make them pay for the parking on access. I know that last Council, they
88 reworked it, and combined it with a bunch of other stuff, and put it before the Council, and it was denied. So, this
89 is just to give it a second review.
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91 Last Council meeting Mrs. Scoles agreed that she was going to head up the parking committee. Rod Shilling from
92 S2 Golf Carts had volunteered. I know that we're going to talk about the parking committee in executive session.
93 Mayor Hellyer asked Councilmember Scoles if she had anything to add. Councilmember Scoles stated I don't at
94 this time. Mr. Rod Shilling volunteered. However, I've got the email that he sent, which explains cost factor, what
95 the town would recoup if we charge for stickers for golf carts, and stuff like that. But I only had had one
96 volunteer, and I figured more people want to volunteer now. I now have four. As you said, we're going to discuss
97 that in executive session. We can move forward.
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100 **C. COMMUNITY GARDEN** – Councilmember Drake stated I had brought this up because many people in
101 town asked about the Community Garden. In our packet, I provided a pretty detail description from right down
102 the street in Market Commons, with the different raised beds. If anybody would like to see this, I can get them
103 for you. With a community garden, it helps out with the community and our food bank system; it brings people
104 together. I think Surfside could use this. I was shocked that Surfside did have one in this quaint little beach town.
105 There is not a dedicated place at this point, it is for discussion with Council, and I'd like to get a committee
106 together. Many people have called me about wanting to be on the Committee. If anybody here would like to build
107 a committee, we're going to try to get something going tonight so that we can put it on the website and come
108 back and put one together. Then we can get John Adair to go around town to look at some different sites and
109 different places. Then we will go from there. And I think it would be a good thing for the community.
110 Councilmember Holder, what would the cost for liability or insurance, if someone get hurt? Councilmember Drake
111 stated No, this is a community of people that will do the work. I would recommend doing it organically, No
112 pesticides or poisons of any kind. That's where the discussion part comes in with the town's Insurance. I want

113 input from the residents. I want to plant a seed of the plan, then let everybody take part in coming up with a way
114 of doing it. Councilmember Drake made a motion that we put together a committee for Surfside Community
115 Garden as soon as possible. Councilmember Keating seconded. Councilmembers Keating, Pellegrino, Drake and
116 Mayor Hellyer voted in favor. Councilmember Scoles, Holder, and Dietrich voted against. **Motion Carried.** Mayor
117 Hellyer stated we will be advertising for a committee on the town website. We'll see where it goes, and we'll see
118 what happens and what the conclusion is. Council will make the final decision.
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120 **D. SUNDAY SERENADES** Mayor Hellyer stated that he wanted to give people a little background is
121 for those used to go to it. Hound Dog used to do it and coordinated it over the last couple of years. He retired, so
122 he's no longer doing it. So the question was, do we keep doing Sunday Serenades, or do we not? Hound Dog told
123 me at the barbecue festival that he wasn't willing to do it anymore and didn't want to do it anymore, but he said
124 that he knew somebody willing to, and his name is Acoustic Johnny. So, I didn't know anything about it, but I got
125 an email from Hound Dog telling me Acoustic Johnny was interested.
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127 I've talked to him briefly on the phone, but I don't know the logistics of everything. We talked about it in the last
128 Council meeting, and Debbie Ellis reached out and talk to this person, and she sent us an email that says that he
129 would be willing to do that. And the fee to do that would be \$3500. The budget question is; do we want to do it
130 or not do it? This was for him to do it every week, starting in mid-July through the end of October. The fee would
131 be \$3500.
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133 When I talk to him, he said that he'd be willing to do it maybe not every week, but do it every other week. We
134 had some discussion that in the last meeting, where I think was Councilman Holder said "it's really hot during
135 that time of the day". So we can consider that as well.
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137 I don't think that you need to Committee, I think the Council needs to decide whether they want you to have it at
138 all or do we want to do it every other week? So instead of \$3,500, it would be half of that. I just wanted to bring
139 it up into the discussion, so we to talk about it.
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141 Councilmember Keating asked if we have we researched anyone else that might be willing to do it? According to
142 Debbie's email, she had said that Acoustic Johnny would arrange the performers and provide the sound system,
143 and it's \$300 per week for a Sunday afternoon from 2 to 5 pm for a total of 12 weeks, which equals \$3600.
144 We've got many musicians right here in town, would they be willing to coordinate the same thing? Do we have to
145 go out to bid for this?
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147 Councilmember Pellegrino stated I agree with Ms. Keating, competition always drives the price down. I think we
148 should ask more people to see, and also, it was mentioned in a previous meeting, 2 to 5 is hot in the
149 summertime, maybe 5 to 8 is a better time. I believe we should ask Debbie Ellis to do it. Councilmember Scoles
150 stated maybe we should look at somebody doing it in the fall months, I mean, it's still nice here, or even in the
151 Spring months, and not the summer months. I think the later we do it in the evening, and it gets dark as most
152 people drive their golf carts there, and they would not be able to do it. I know when it first started, there were
153 many people and as it got warmer, there were fewer people. And a lot of coordination effort went into it, and I
154 hate to say it dwindled off like that may not have the people there just because heat, not because they don't
155 want to be there. Mayor Hellyer suggested that we work with Debbie, but, before we asked Debbie to look into it,
156 I think that we need to see whether we're willing to make money for it.
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158 Councilmember Drake stated, even if you did, as you said a minute ago, cut it in half. As Councilmember Scoles
159 stated, doing it in fall, but if you cut it in half and doubled it out the time, it would go a lot further. You'd get
160 from cooler areas and change the time from 2 to 5 when It starts getting cooler and then changing; many people
161 would attend. I enjoy going down to that.
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163 Director King stated I believe because Mr. Hanssen wasn't going to do it, that we didn't put any money in the
164 budget for it. Not to say we can't, maybe, I don't know. It depends on what the number is. But I would say, the
165 best, to work with Debbie if she has the latitude to change times and all of that stuff, maybe she will be able to
166 come up with something else. Councilmember Keating volunteered to work with Debbie on this.
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170 **8. BUSINESS**

171 **A. SECOND READING – ORDINANCE #20-0222 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE**
172 **BEACH TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**, Councilmember Keating made the
173 motion to enter into the discussion for the second reading of Ordinance 20-0222. Councilmember Pellegrino
174 seconded. Director King stated this is that we did the first reading at the last meeting. These are the things that
175 have changed during the year. With council approval, we bought the Kubota, the new restrooms for the beach,
176 trucks for the fire station. The Pier expenses, as I explained before, last year, we had gone in with a minimal
177 budget for the pier, with the thought we were going to tear it down last September. In the meantime, we're
178 operating. So, we do need to have a budget to pay for all those things. The revenue side is a little bit different;
179 we don't have to have council approval for revenue, but I thought it was essential to do that. At this time,
180 accommodations' tax, we got more money in for the Kubota, which we knew, and we also had the barbecue
181 festival, local A tax, and Hospitality tax is in litigation with the County. The number we had initially planned on,
182 now, we have to defer half of it, so that the number needs to be reduced to make it look accurate. Then, we did
183 get your money from the FEMA, which also needs to go into the account. The town attorney reviewed this and
184 Council, and the first reading was on May 26, 2020 to update the budget. All voted in favor. **Motion Carried**
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187 **B. FIRST READING – ORDINANCE # 20- 0223 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE**
188 **BEACH TO ADOPT THE 2020-21 FISCAL YEAR MUNICIPAL BUDGET AND TO SET THE TAX MILLAGE**
189 **FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021** Councilmember Holder made a motion that we do the first
190 reading of Ordinance 20-0223, Councilmember Dietrich seconded. Director King stated this is the first reading of
191 our Ordinance 20-0223, the purpose is to comply with state code, which states that the Municipal Council must
192 adopt budgets, levy taxes, except as otherwise provided with respect to the property tax levied by the adoption
193 of a Budget, pursuant to public notice. The public town council had a budget workshop on May 27, 2020, where
194 we discussed most of the essential items that were happening. Most of which, we don't know what they are
195 because of COVID-19; we had a public hearing tonight, and we did not have any comments on that. It was
196 advertised in the Myrtle Beach Herald as required by law. The budget is attached for your consideration.
197 Attached also to this budget amendment is the other things that we charge for, which would be town
198 merchandise, copies for FOIA, and for running for office. And those are all attached to that ordinance. If you look
199 at the last page, the total for the town, this year, the budget is \$10,523,220. That's for all funds. Government
200 funds, which are the general fund and all of the special revenue funds are \$9,000,001. The Enterprise funds,
201 which are both to sanitation fund and the Pier fund is \$1,000,327, and I will offer this for your consideration.
202 Councilmember Pellegrino stated I'd like to thank Director King and their staff because they did a good job, and
203 we've already lost hundreds of thousands of dollars in revenues, and they manage to make cuts necessary, so we
204 don't have a tax increase. All voted in favor. **Motion Carried**
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206 **C. RESCIND THE VOTE ON SECOND READING, ORDINANCE 20-0220 THE SALE AND TRANSFER OF**
207 **LAND LISTED AS 10' ALLEY SITUATED BETWEEN PIN # 461-03-01-0042 AND PIN # 461-03-01-**
208 **0043.** Councilmember Keating made a motion to rescind that vote due to the error in the publication of the
209 public hearing, such that the public hearing will be re-conducted at our next council meeting, and we will re-vote
210 the second reading. Councilmember Drake seconded. I will say that basically what happened when we talked last
211 Council meeting, we thought that everything was cleared up in that. We discovered that it was not done
212 correctly. We looked into it, and we've announced the public hearing, and we've done everything that we need to
213 do, and it'll be coming back up. There will be a public hearing. I'm not exactly sure on what date that is. All voted
214 in favor. **Motion Carried.**
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216 **D. 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION** – Councilmember Pellegrino agreed to place this on the agenda for
217 reconsideration. Councilmember Drake stated I have to be honest with everybody, there's some new information
218 coming up, DHEC that isn't very positive the Coronavirus, that doesn't look good for South Carolina. We have to
219 consider everyone's safety. Today, Horry County is listed as a hotspot.
220 Also that our numbers are going up in the hospital, people going into the hospital with the Coronavirus, we have
221 to keep the social distancing in place. Everything was looking a lot better two weeks ago than it is today. I think
222 we can discuss it, and I think we can talk about it, but, my personal opinion at this point, and I'm like I told
223 David, I'd like to talk about it and put it back and see if we can have a full-fledged 4th of July celebration, but with
224 those numbers, I would say, let's have a parade and maintain social distancing. Maybe if you all want to
225 entertain, they do have a band. If there's something at the pier parking lot for people that come around and they
226 want to hear some music, but to maintain social distancing.

227 Mayor Hellyer stated the first thing that we would need to do is, you know, the Council is already voted on the
228 fact, right, not to happen. Councilmember Pellegrino stated he spoke with Mr. Drake today before the meeting. I
229 did put it on the agenda for discussion, and then it got changed afterward to business for a vote, but we have a
230 liability issue that's not straightened out with Insurance. Because our town policy isn't going to cover something
231 unclear and, and that's a big issue. We also haven't pursued the permit from the State fire marshal yet either.
232 There are tons of pending issues that aren't going to be done before this event happened. So that's why I'm not
233 going to make a motion for it.

234 Mayor Hellyer stated when we were talking earlier, was that everybody on a Grand Strand is closed down for the
235 Fourth of July fireworks. So, when we were talking earlier today, it was a matter of, maybe not fireworks, and
236 maybe not the band. I think we should have the golf cart parade because everybody in town enjoyed it, and
237 everybody had a great time. This year, we had over 100 carts, which was 40 something more than we had the
238 year before I think. I think we have our private sponsor. Councilmember Pellegrino stated I would be supportive
239 of anything but the golf cart parade. However, we have to check with Chief Hofmann because I know he has to
240 do some planning.

241 Chief Hofmann stated I think the parade is reasonable. I'm glad to see that that's where we're going to do
242 something but not a fireworks celebration. I don't know how we could police that right now with resources
243 stretched as thin as they are. But we would make it happen if that was Council desires. But, as far as a parade,
244 nobody has given any details. Are we just talking about Ocean Boulevard here like we do for Memorial Day?

245 Councilmember Keating stated it's starting on 4th South and making its way to Ocean Boulevard. Chief Hofmann
246 stated I think this is something that we can work out, and we could probably manage with existing resources. It
247 would require some overtime. We have to bring in new officers to work those intersections because I imagine the
248 parade wouldn't want to stop every stop sign. I haven't driven this recommended route, so I don't know it may
249 be all right-a-ways If this is what Council wants, I'll make it happen.

250 Councilmember Scoles asked why did we not consider doing it down Ocean Boulevard like the last one, instead of
251 winding through town because there are many stop signs. Mayor Hellyer stated, this is the first I've seen this
252 route. Councilmember Scoles stated I just think it would be easier going from one point to another down Ocean
253 Boulevard rather than winding through town and having to use officers to make sure people stop. Chief Hofmann
254 stated that's many turns; it would be easier to use the same route that we do for the Memorial Day parade. but
255 we can make either one happen. Councilmember Pellegrino made a motion to reconsider the vote on canceling
256 the Fourth of July celebration to direct Ms. Ellis to plan a golf cart parade with Chief Hofmann. Councilmember
257 Holder seconded. All voted in favor. **Motion Carried.**

258 So, hopefully, we're going to have a golf cart parade. So, we will know by the next meeting, read your Mayoral
259 update.

260 9. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Town Services or Business Conducted

- 261 1. 315 Lakeside Drive, I heard you talked about the golf cart path in front of Plantation Resort. Are you
262 going to address Hudson Flea market? Mayor Hellyer stated yes, and a few other issues will also be addressed,
263 we will be talking on Friday with SCDOT about the 5th Ave, 2nd Ave and the Flea Market.
- 264 2. Email from Nancy Roper read by Mayor Hellyer: [read about community garden]
- 265 3. Email from Vanessa Luckey read by Mayor Hellyer: I understand that on the docket for tonight's
266 meeting is the subject of the cats located at 4th s beach access. I also know that Big Daddy is the
267 person who wants the cats killed. These cats are fixed and feed daily, and they do not cause any
268 problems. As a matter of fact, having the cats around where I live is very beneficial since the RAT
269 population is drastically reduced, which by itself is well worth them being there. I may not be able to
270 get to the meeting, so I am emailing you to have my voice as a resident heard. My vote stands with
271 the cats continuing to be here. Please do not fall predator to a man with money, and do the right thing
272 and LET THE CATS LIVE! Thank you for hearing my choice on this subject.
- 273 Mayor Hellyer made a comments that a meeting was held with all stakeholders on this issue to work
274 out among themselves.
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276 4. Email from Liz Dodge, 5th Ave N read by Mayor Hellyer: Hello Mayor Hellyer, I would like to ask some
277 questions about the Plantation Resort buses. I realize that they are there to accommodate their guests by bussing
278 them to the beach, I feel somethings need to be addressed with them. My questions are: Why do they have to
279 come down the frontage road turn onto 6th Avenue North then Azalea then onto 5th Avenue North to the ocean
280 and to the pier parking lot, when they could just as easily turn right onto highway 17 and turn left onto 11th
281 Avenue North, left on Cedar, and right on 13th to the beach? Why do they have to drop off their passengers at
282 the Pier parking lot, thereby creating a traffic problem at that location instead of having them drop off point at
283 the 3rd Avenue North access where there are less congestion and a covered walkover? Does the town get a
284 licensing fee from the Resort buses to operate in the town limits like the buses and taxis do in the City of Myrtle
285 Beach? I know we have to be friends to our visitors, but the people taking those busses are not contributing to
286 the town. They bring their own chairs, their own umbrella, and their own lunches, but leave their trash for our
287 Public Works to clean up. I'd like to see this addressed by Town Council. Thanks
288 Mayor Hellyer made a statement that this has been discussed with Plantation Resort. The bus route will be
289 changed to left on 17, to right on 16th Ave to the beach upon completion of the project and when the traffic
290 lights are operational. Also, the pier parking lot will be closed soon, so a new drop off point will be discussed.
291 Plantation Resort has been cooperating.
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294 **10. TOWN COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND/OR COMMENTS**

295 A. Councilmember Holder: I want to thank everybody for coming tonight. It's great to be back in here and can
296 work, can see your body, and work together. I also feel very good about the way things are looking now. People
297 are coming down and renting condos. I've heard that Memorial Day was one of the best for Surfside Beach. I
298 know that June, July, and August, but we did lose three months. Hopefully, we can finish up to summer and have
299 a great summer. I'm glad we aren't going to have a golf cart parade for the Fourth of July, so I'm glad. So, I
300 want to thank everybody and have a good day.
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302 B. Councilmember Keating: Again, I'd like to thank everybody for coming tonight, and those that have called in,
303 and are listening to the discussion. As you can see, there's much talk about committees and collaborating with
304 the residents and our subject matter experts that live here. We do have some qualified responses for the pier
305 committee to review the bids that are coming in. We've got several applications for the parking committee.
306 However, I also encourage everyone to go to our website under committees, because several committees do
307 have openings our Keep Surfside Beach Beautiful committee has an opening, the Accommodation Tax Committee,
308 which is a statutory committee has openings. I believe the Business Committee also has some opening. So, I
309 would encourage everyone to research those opportunities, and whether that's something they would like to
310 volunteer and help move the town forward. Other than that, I believe, at two o'clock, on Thursday, we should
311 have all of the pier bids in, and we should be convening a public bid opening. I will confirm those that time and
312 the date with, with Director King, to make sure we get that notice out tomorrow to everyone so that whomever
313 wishes to be in attendance can attend. I would also assume we will establish the teleconference for those that
314 can listen in. I'm sure we're all anxious to see just exactly what those bids are going to come in as. What are our
315 alternatives going to be once we get that data in front of us? So, with that, we've got some exciting times coming
316 up. I think, together, we will make a difference for this town, and we will move it forward, and it will get better.
317 So, with that, I thank everyone for their support and their kind words to me that I have heard over the last five
318 months. I appreciate each and every one of them. Thank you very much.
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320 C. Councilmember Dietrich: Thanks, everyone, for coming out tonight. Good to see you all. I'm here long enough
321 to know everybody; that's pretty neat. Ms. Keating is right. We've got a lot going on. A lot goes on behind the
322 doors that don't peep through, stuff we deal with every day, and it's not just myself, it's everybody that sits on
323 this bench. We'll keep plugging at, it will keep doing it. Try and get it done as soon as we can. It's that it's a
324 road, and it's not, unfortunately, getting better around us. If you want to look at our National Dias and our state
325 Dias, we've got our stuff going on, and it has to get resolved, and we've got to work to resolve it as well, So, you
326 all know how to find me. You need something, give me a shout. If I don't see it before, I'll see you in two weeks.
327 Thanks so much for coming out tonight, really appreciate it, take care. Be safe going home
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329 D. Councilmember Pellegrino: thank everyone for coming tonight. Thank you for all the people listening to We
330 have good town involvement in this excellent town involvement, and we appreciate that as far as we can't do the
331 big fourth dry celebration, but I'm excited about for the golf cart parade, at least we can get out and celebrate

our country. This was an amazing night. We had a lot on the agenda and we did it in about an hour. Hopefully, the executive session will be as efficient. So that's very positive. Thanks. Have a good night.

E. Councilmember Drake: I'd thank everyone for coming out tonight and also to listeners on the telephone. I want everybody to keep moving forward with good, positive stuff for our town. While we couldn't quite pull off July 4, I think we wanted to do it and I think everybody wanted it, but we also have to consider safety. We have to consider our Insurance. I want to thank everybody who worked hard behind the scenes, trying to pull some of that together. We can have the golf cart parade. We had 100 the last time, and I challenge everyone to get their Golf Cart, charge it up, push it, pull it whatever you have to do, and let's see if we can get 120 or more than we did on the last. It was a great time. Very fun, good community involvement. The same thing with what Cindy was talking about the Committees, please sign up for the committees, we do want your input, so any of the committees, garden committees, they are coming on the scene. So, let's pull together. Let's do what's right for Surfside Beach, let's make it fun, family beach area and keep moving forward. Thank You.

F. Councilmember Scoles: I also like to thank everyone for coming tonight, and all those that called in. And I appreciate all the public comments, and we take those seriously and look into them. So I don't want you to think that we don't. And I am also happy that we can do something for the fourth. And I ask that everyone please, now that our numbers are climbing, and we are considered a hot spot, to be very, very careful, and practice the social distancing.

G. Mayor Hellyer: One thing that I'd say, we've been working hard this last couple of weeks, and been trying to work with everybody, and trying to get issues resolved, but are there some things that just show up at the last minute. Michael and I were talking to Ms. King today in the office, about the 4th of July Celebration. The Governor has said that he wants all of the municipalities to comply with the Executive Order and to go with the recommendations of the CDC. Well, the recommendations of the CDC talk about social distancing. The Municipal Association that provides the insurance, will not cover us unless we're following the recommendations. So, we can't get the Insurance, unless we can ensure the social distancing or ensure our compliance with the CDC regulation. So, that's what made it hard. The part about the golf cart, we can do that because we're social distancing. All the carts are 6 feet apart, there are no more than four people on a cart, and most are family. That's how it got turned around. We would love to have a huge July 4 celebration, but with everything going on, there was reasoning why things changed at the last minute. I want to thank everybody for coming tonight. We're still not over. We are still going to be going into the executive session here in a little bit. I want to thank everybody, and I want to want everybody to know that if you email me and have a question or whatever, that I will be more than happy to get back to everybody. It may take me a while because I do get many emails every day. But thank you for coming.

Councilmember Drake made a motion to enter into Executive session to discuss negotiations or the Atlantic Restaurant Group and to receive legal advice and updates, and also concerning the Pier Committee and the Parking Committee. Councilmember Holder seconded. All voted in favor. **Motion Carried.**

- 11. EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Motion to adjourn Regular Meeting and enter Executive Session pursuant to South Carolina Code sections 30-4-70-(a)(1) and (2) to: discuss negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements with Atlantic Restaurant group and receive related legal advice; discuss employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline, or release of an employee;(Independent Pier Committee, Parking Committee)

Councilmember Dietrich made a motion to return to regular session at 9:14 pm.

MOTIONS RELATED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Councilmember Scoles made a motion to assign LaVerne Kreklau to the parking committee. Mr. Drake seconded.

383 All voted in favor. Motion Carried.
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- 385 2. Councilmember Keating made a motion to appoint Ed Carey and Brian DiStefano to the Independent Pier
386 Review Committee. Councilmember Holder second. Councilmembers Holder, Keating, Dietrich, Pellegrino,
387 Drake, and Mayor Hellyer voted in favor. Councilmember Scoles voted against. **Motion Carried.**

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389 **12. ADJOURNMENT** – Councilmember Dietrich made a motion to adjourn at 9:17 pm. Councilmember Drake
390 seconded. All voted in favor. **Motion carried.**
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