



Council

Joe DeVito  
Mayor

Darryl Owens  
Mayor Pro Tempore

Mary Beth Heyward  
Jerry Ashmore  
Kevin Phillips

Van Willis  
Town Manager

T. Alan Beach  
Chief of Police

Jeffrey S. Coppinger  
Operations

Noah Krepps  
Planning

**Minutes  
Council Workshop  
Yvonne C. Butler Council Chambers, 700 Paris Avenue**

**July 6, 2022**

**Members Present:** Mayor Joe DeVito, Council Members Jerry Ashmore, Mary Beth Heyward, Darryl Owens and Kevin Phillips

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Van Willis, Police Chief Alan Beach, Fire Chief Tim Ogden, Planning Administrator Noah Krepps and Director of Administrative Services Brooke Plank-Buccola

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor DeVito called the Council Workshop to order at 6:33 PM.

The meeting began with hearing from the public, regarding the trees to be removed for a development project on 12<sup>th</sup> Street. The following individuals spoke:

Elizabeth Bergmann  
Chris Marsh  
Tricia Fidrych  
Karen Sartori  
Kit Bruce  
Louis Bruce  
Jim Berry  
Pam Keith  
Steven Workmeister  
Patty Clark  
Judy Alling  
Bethany Myers  
Wendy Zara  
Steve Jones  
James Bachety

Dean Moss  
Jessie White

Mayor DeVito clarified to the public how this project has come about and that this has proven that some policies and ordinances may need to be reviewed and amended.

## **II. COUNCIL BRIEFING**

The Town and Safe Harbor are both interested in keeping the current buoy as a structural buoy and not see it turned into a virtual buoy. The drystack beautification is almost complete. Nothing new on the residential development on the port property. Paperwork is being drawn up for the quick claim deed for the sands boat landing and an IGA for a maintenance agreement with the County.

The Ribaut Road Corridor Study should be finalized in the next two to three weeks. The completion of this study will provide guidance to the Redevelopment Commission.

Impact fees are still being discussed by Beaufort County and Northern Beaufort County municipalities. Nothing has been finalized yet.

The transportation sales tax has been stalled. A green referendum is now being considered by the County Council.

State Representative Shannon Erickson has secured \$400,000 from the State to assist with the completion of the Spanish Moss Trail crossing.

Royal Palms Sewer CDBG project is close to having the easement issues resolved. The successful bidder has been contacted and the contract prices have been locked in. Nothing new to report on the Paris Avenue improvement project.

No updates on the Naval Hospital Sidewalk. The Town is still waiting for approval to move the fence by the Department of Navy.

The new speed reader has been installed and successfully functioning. The other reader will be relocated to locations as necessary.

The new Municipal Clerk will begin on July 26<sup>th</sup>. She will be in attendance for the August meetings.

The Town's 4<sup>th</sup> of July event went extremely well. There are a couple of items that need to be tweaked, but overall the event was a success.

Mr. Willis attended a productive Affordable Housing meeting. There is still a question of funding and how the projects will be prioritized.

## **III. REVIEW AGENDA FOR THE JULY 13, 2022 COUNCIL MEETING**

The proposed council meeting agenda for July 13, 2022 was gone over at this time.

## **IV. IMPORTANT DATES AND INFORMATION:**

Council Workshop Minutes  
07/06/2022

- A. Tuesday, July 12, 2022, at 6:30PM, Parks and Recreation Commission**
- B. Wednesday, July 13, 2022, at 6:30PM, Regular Council Meeting at Town Hall**

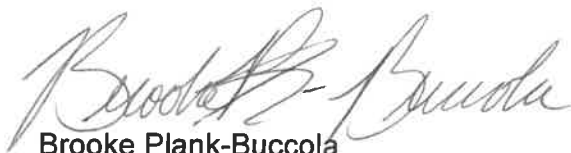
In August, the fall street concert series will be begin.

The next committee that Council would like to review is the Historic Preservation Committee.

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

The Council Workshop adjourned at 7:48PM.

Respectfully submitted,



**Brooke Plank-Buccola**  
**Director of Administrative Services**

THE TOWN OF PORT ROYAL DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY IN THE ADMISSION TO, ACCESS TO, OR OPERATIONS OF PROGRAMS, SERVICES, OR ACTIVITIES. QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS WHO NEED ACCESSIBLE COMMUNICATION AIDS AND SERVICES OR OTHER ACCOMMODATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES ARE INVITED TO MAKE YOUR NEEDS AND PREFERENCES KNOWN TO THE 504/ADA COORDINATOR. IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, PLEASE GIVE US AT LEAST A THREE TO FIVE DAY ADVANCE NOTICE SO WE CAN ADEQUATELY MEET YOUR NEEDS. 504/ADA REQUEST – 986-2245