

MINUTES



TOWN OF KURE BEACH TOWN COUNCIL

117 Settlers Lane ■ Kure Beach, NC 28449

Dean Lambeth, Mayor
Chuck Keener, Mayor Pro Tem
Jim Dugan, Commissioner
Barry Nelder, Commissioner
Tim Fuller, Commissioner
Nancy Hewitt, Interim Town Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING
JUNE 15, 2010 at 5:30 PM

PURPOSE

The purpose of this public hearing is to review the final budget to be presented to Council for approval.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor	Dean Lambeth
Mayor Pro Tem	Chuck Keener
Commissioner	Jim Dugan
Commissioner	Barry Nelder
Commissioner	Tim Fuller

STAFF PRESENT:

Interim Town Clerk	Nancy Hewitt
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Town Attorney A. A. Canoutas was present. There was a quorum of the Town Council present.

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Mayor Lambeth called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm.

Commissioner Fuller reviewed the changes made to the previous draft budget. He explained that, in order to make the numbers perfectly balanced, he added a line item under Expenses, "Water/Sewer Reserve Fund," into which the town hasn't put any money in the past few years. The previous version of next fiscal year's draft budget showed a slight surplus between the revenues and expenses in the Water/Sewer Fund. To account for the surplus and make the fund balance, the difference between the revenues and expenditures were put into that fund. The other change that was made under General Fund Expenditures was a change in the finance department line item. The Citizen's Budget and Finance Committee found a typing error that had been entered into their worksheets. After correcting the error, the Fund Balance Appropriated line item located under Revenues in the General Fund was adjusted to account for the difference.

Mayor Lambeth and Commissioner Nelder asked Commissioner Fuller if there was a way to show into which department areas the department heads' salaries are split.

Commissioner Fuller said it would be possible to indicate this information. He stated that there was also a request to create budget pie charts to show where the town's money goes "by department." For example, the Police Department is about 35% of the general fund, Streets and Sanitation is about 30% and the rest of the percentage is for everything else in the budget. He said that he'd like to drill down even deeper into the budget by taking the total number in the general fund and indicating what percentages are used for salaries, legal fees, town vehicles, etc. It was suggested that this information could be shared with the citizens via the town's newsletter and on the town's website.

Mayor Lambeth and Commissioner Nelder stated that they liked the idea of letting the public know exactly where their money was going.

Commissioner Fuller stated that the budget is about \$1,000,000 down from last year's budget because the sewer project was completed that was accounted for in last year's budget. All of the town's various fees and taxes remain the same as last year and there is a 3% merit raise for employees.

Since it was unclear whether or not the department heads accounted for themselves in the 3% raise, it was decided to adjust the budget to include these increases.

Commissioner Fuller stated that, in order to include the department heads into the merit increase, the budget would need to be increased by roughly \$7,200. This number includes having to adjust the FICA, retirement, insurance, 401K, etc., for the department heads. The budget would have to include an additional \$1,300 into Streets and Sanitation, \$1,300 into Water/Sewer, \$2,600 into the Police Department and \$2,000 into the Fire Department. He stated that he rounded the numbers up since he didn't have the exact, individual salaries of the department heads. A motion was needed to add this increase to the budget.

ACTION -Commissioner Dugan MADE THE MOTION to adjust the numbers to reflect the 3% raises for the department heads. Mayor Pro Tem Keener seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.

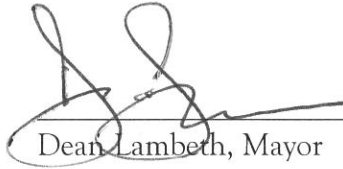
Commissioner Fuller reviewed the changes that would be made to the budget under the various departments due to the increases and gave everyone a copy of the revised budget.

The final draft budget for FY2010-2011 is incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes.

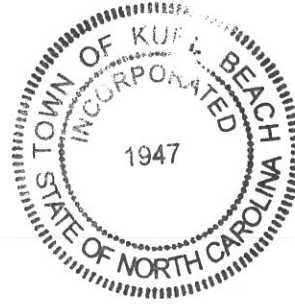
General Fund	\$2,891,452.00
Powell Fund	\$ 55,800.00
Storm Water Fund	\$ 138,145.00
Water/Sewer Fund	<u>\$1,436,147.00</u>
TOTAL	\$4,521,544.00 (BALANCED BUDGET)

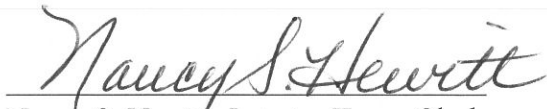
ADJOURNMENT

ACTION -Mayor Lambeth MADE THE MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 pm.
Mayor Pro Tem Keener seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS
UNANIMOUS.



Dean Lambeth, Mayor





Nancy S. Hewitt, Interim Town Clerk

NOTE: These are action minutes reflecting items considered and actions taken by Council. These minutes are not a transcript of the meeting. Persons wishing to hear the recording of this meeting may request to do so by contacting the Town Clerk.