

Summary of the November 27, 2007 Meeting
Dare County Shoreline Management Commission

Members Present:

Warren Judge, Chairman
Paul Buske
Neil Morrison
Don Smith

Members Absent:

Wayne Gray
Michael Johnson
Richard Johnson
Gary Perry

Others Present:

Mark Artz
Lee Wrenn
Beth Wrenn

The Shoreline Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Warren Judge at 5:50 PM in the Meeting Room of the Kill Devil Hills Town Hall.

A motion was made by Paul Buske to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2007 meeting. Motion seconded by Neil Morrison. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 3 – Financial Report

David Clawson, Dare County finance director, provided a year-to-date budget report and a cumulative fund balance report for the Beach Nourishment fund.

Agenda Item 4 - Sand fencing / dune grass planting project status report

Lee Wrenn, Shoreline Manager, provided an update on the project. The project was advertised November 4, 2007 by Dare County purchasing and the bid opening was held on November 15, 2007. There were 13 bids for the sand fencing project.

Susan Beck, Dare County purchasing agent, and Wrenn reviewed the bids to ensure that all requirements had been met according to instructions and specifications. After consultation with Bobby Outten, Attorney and approval by Terry Wheeler, County Manager, the contract will be awarded to the lowest bidder, Allen Commercial & Industrial, Ltd.

Wrenn met with Holly Snider, CAMA agent from the Elizabeth City office, in Buxton and Rodanthe to identify the locations for the placement of fencing.

Wrenn will meet with Sandy Cady, Mike Hejduk and the contractor to mark fencing locations for Duck and Southern Shores. The contractor is prepared to start as early as Monday, December 3, 2007.

The work will begin in Duck and proceed south to Southern Shores, Rodanthe and Buxton. With this schedule it is likely that the fencing can be finished in Duck and Southern Shores in December. Wrenn offered the possibility that the towns contract for the planting and seek reimbursement from the project funds just as Kitty Hawk, Kill

Devil Hills and Nags Head have done. This would allow them to move forward with the planting on an earlier schedule. The plan is to bid the planting in late December and begin the planting in mid to late January.

Member Smith requested that he receive a tentative timeline for the fencing so that he could convey this information to his council, as soon as possible.

Chairman's Items

Chairman Judge reported that he and Lee Wrenn had attended the North Carolina Beaches, Inlet and Waterway Association's annual conference in Carolina Beach, NC. Judge was a presenter at the conference and spoke on the controversy concerning the Bonner Bridge.

The theme of the conference centered on global warming and sea level rise. The main message that Chairman Judge heard was that we must continue to work on coastal issues and find innovative ways to manage our current situation. The problems are not going away and local governments will likely have to take more responsibility in managing the problems.

He also reported that several southern towns in NC are working on legislation to get permits that would allow for hardened structures, i.e. jetties. May 1, 2008 is the date that CRC has designated that all uncovered, un-vegetated sand bags must be removed.

Members Items

Member Buske ask Chairman Judge for any follow-up on the Bonner Bridge concerning the removal of the terminal groin on the northern end of Pea Island when the new bridge is built. Judge said that if the parallel bridge phased approach is built the landing of the new bridge will be near the old landing and the groin will remain.

Public Comment – None

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:22 PM.

The next scheduled meeting of the Shoreline Management Commission is Tuesday, February 26, 2008 @ 5:30 PM at the Kill Devil Hills Town Hall.

Submitted by: Lee Wrenn, Shoreline Manager

Adopted: _____