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CARTERET COUNTY BEACH COMMISSION MEETING
August 28, 2023; 2:00 pm
EMERALD ISLE TOWN BOARD ROOM

Remote Access Information (Zoom Meeting):

Video & Integrated Computer Phone:

<https://carteretcountync.zoom.us/j/5584427512?pwd=eFEvY29zZ0tzWjFPVjBLSFRVOENGUT09>

Meeting ID =558 442 7512; Password = 728557

Phone Only Access: = 833 548 0276 US Toll-free (Meeting ID = 558 442 7512; Password = 728557)

AGENDA

(1)	Call to Order	<i>Chairman Navey</i>
(2)	Approval of Minutes. (Regular Beach Commission Meeting – July 24, 2023)	<i>Chairman Navey</i>
(3)	State of the Beach	<i>Nicole Vanderbeke</i>
(4)	Bogue Inlet Survey	<i>Geodynamics</i>
(5)	Other Business	<i>Ryan Davenport</i>
(6)	Public Comment	<i>Chairman Navey</i>
(7)	Adjourn (Next Meeting September 25)	<i>Chairman Navey</i>

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Approval of Minutes

Regular Beach Commission Meeting – July 24, 2023

Meeting Date: **8/28/2023**

Topic No. **2**

Suggested Action: A motion should be entertained to approve the June 26, 2023 meeting minutes with any recommended changes from the Beach Commission.

Attached for the Beach Commission's review, comments, and subsequent approval are the minutes for the Commission's July 24, 2023 regular meeting.

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Memorandum

To: Carteret County Beach Commission

From: Ryan Davenport

Re: Carteret County Beach Commission Meeting July 24, 2023 – Minutes

Attendance

Commission Members Danny Navey (Chair), Mayor Brodman (Co-chair), Brooks Graham, Austin Waters, Larry Corsello, Darryl Marshall, Donald Hardy, Tom Rule, Jimmy Farrington and secretary Ryan Davenport, and the general public along with Rep. Celest Cairns

(1) Call to Order

Chairman Navey called the meeting to order.

(2) Approval of Minutes

Tom Rule made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 26th regular meeting. Commissioner Corsello provided a second for the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

(3) Discussion on “Beach Fund” \$30,000,000 Cap

Ryan Davenport reintroduced the discussion on the \$30,000,000 “Beach Fund” cap and invited Rep. Celeste Cairns to be a part of the Conversation. Ryan Davenport began the discussion with the history of the legislation that created the “Beach Fund”. Senate Bill 465 capped the fund at \$15,000,000 and House Bill 533 capped the fund at \$30,000,000 in 2013. Davenport then provided data on the cost break down of each nourishment project back to 2001. Mayor Brodman pointed out that each project had to be funded up front and any available grants would reimburse us. Danny Navey pointed out that there is no guarantee that State or Federal funds would be available in the future. Rep. Cairns discussed the total cost of Phase 1-3 of Florence. Rep. Cairns also mentioned that timing of the legislature would also affect when this change could occur. The consensus of the Commission is that the cap should be removed. Jimmy Farrington stated that the County Commissioners as a whole would discuss their preference on any proposed changes. Larry Corsello made a motion to pass a resolution asking the NC Legislature to remove the “Beach Fund” cap. Mayor Brodman provided a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(4) Occupancy Tax Update

Ryan Davenport reported that a total of \$1,086,434.28 was collected in May. This is basically even with what was collected in May of 2022.

(5) Other Business

Ryan Davenport presented the update from Ward and Smith on CBRA. He also confirmed that the Beaufort Inlet ACOE project was out for bid. He reported that the State of the Beach and Bogue Inlet Survey would be presented by Moffatt and Nichol at the next meeting. Homers Point sediment sample has been taken and we are awaiting on results before further design.

(6) Public Comment

No one provided public comments.

(7) Adjourn

Next meeting August 28, 2023

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State Of The Beach

Meeting Date: **8/28/2023**

Topic No. **3**

Suggested Action: None

Nicole Vanderbeke with Moffatt and Nichol will present the results of the latest beach survey.

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Bogue Inlet Survey

Meeting Date: **8/28/2023**

Topic No. **4**

Suggested Action: None

Geodynamics staff will present the results from the latest Bogue Inlet survey.

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Other Business

Meeting Date: **8/28/2023**

Topic No. **5**

Suggested Action: None

- Homers Point Channel
- CBRA
- Occupancy Tax
- Beach Fund Cap

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MEMORANDUM

TO: CARTERET COUNTY BEACH COMMISSION

FROM: MIKE McINTYRE, WARD AND SMITH, P.A.

CHRIS GRIFFIN, TFG

SUBJECT: ADVOCACY UPDATE

DATE: AUGUST 14, 2023

Congress continues to work through the backlog of priorities created by the debt ceiling crisis and related delays. Appropriators in the House and Senate are well underway with work to advance FY 2024 spending bills, though significant differences remain to be resolved between the two chambers. The August recess – Congress’ annual chance for members to return to their respective districts for an extended period – has also created further delays and an increased likelihood for Congress to pass a stopgap Continuing Resolution to continue funding the government at 2023 levels to avoid a government shutdown, until such time as a new budget for 2024 can be passed.

The *Strengthening Coastal Communities Act*, Senator Tom Carper’s (D-Del.) highly anticipated legislation to update and implement technical changes to CBRA maps, has yet to be reintroduced. This legislation would continue to protect and preserve NC-06P as an Otherwise Protected Area, which we understand is a top priority of the Commission. Senator Carper’s upcoming retirement in 2024 does provide a significant opportunity for rapid and favorable consideration of this legislation after its introduction. With Senator Carper’s party in the majority in the Senate, his long tenure, and his five-decade relationship with President Biden, we expect he will likely be given favorable consideration of his priorities before his departure from office. We are paying close attention to action surrounding this legislation and will update the Commission with any developments regarding it.

The Commission should take note of and may want to participate in Congressman Murphy's upcoming WATERS Summit which will take place on October 11, 2023. The summit will feature experts presenting on a range of water-related and coastal issues, including hurricane mitigation, waterway issues, and flooding. RSVPs and more information can be found [here](#).

OCCUPANCY TAX COLLECTION

Reporting period (Cash Basis Accounting): **Jun-23**

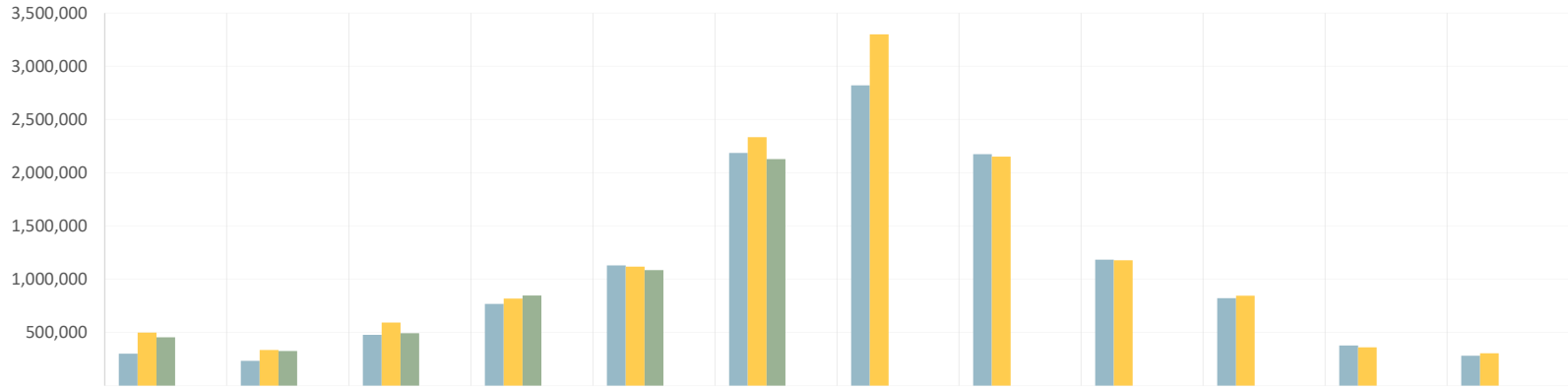
Type	Tax Received	Penalties & Interest	Total Reporting Tax	Total No Tax
CONDOS/COTTAGE	\$ 1,024,951.11	\$ 34.92	101	22
HOTEL / MOTEL	\$ 394,589.10	\$ -	33	0
OTHER	\$ 85,272.85	\$ -	17	16
ONLINE	\$ 624,258.62	\$ -	6	0
TOTAL ALL TYPES	\$ 2,129,071.68	\$ 34.92	157	38
Total Collected	\$ 2,129,106.60			

June-23

Reporting Location	Condos/Cottage Tax	Hotel/Motel Tax	Other Tax	On Line	Total
Atlantic Beach	\$99,579.02	\$127,697.47	\$67,030.91	\$0.00	\$294,307.40
Beaufort	\$3,838.32	\$59,154.87	\$8,410.06	\$0.00	\$71,403.25
Cape Carteret	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,375.19	\$0.00	\$7,375.19
Emerald Isle	\$907,552.44	\$50,240.67	\$273.00	\$0.00	\$958,066.11
PKS / Salter Path/ Indian Beach	\$10,104.41	\$54,068.73	\$692.40	\$0.00	\$64,865.54
Morehead City	\$741.45	\$84,270.22	\$381.60	\$0.00	\$85,393.27
On Line	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$624,258.62	\$0.00	\$624,258.62
Unincorporated	\$4,174.36	\$19,157.14	\$105.72	\$0.00	\$23,437.22
Totals					\$2,129,106.60

Occupancy Tax Trends

Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Tips



Expenses	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Trend
2021	\$ 299,728.21	232,390.16	476,558.20	768,259.77	1,129,886.56	2,186,740.91	2,820,611.25	2,175,388.43	1,183,537.29	822,229.66	378,205.99	281,096.25	12,754,632.68	
2022	499,299.23	335,435.30	593,605.64	818,610.13	1,117,595.08	2,333,985.24	3,300,812.38	2,152,107.27	1,177,679.02	844,818.72	359,300.58	303,839.77	13,837,088.36	
2023	453,852.65	326,116.08	492,347.10	846,508.26	#####	#####								
Total	1,252,880.09	893,941.54	1,070,163.84	2,433,378.16	3,333,915.92	6,649,832.75	6,121,423.63	4,327,495.70	2,361,216.31	1,667,048.38	737,506.57	584,936.02	26,591,721.04	

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Public Comment

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Suggested Action: None

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Adjourn

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Suggested Action: None

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