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Memorandum

To: Carteret County Beach Commission

From: Ryan Davenport

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

Attendance

Commission Members Danny Navey (Chair), Mayor Brodman (Co-chair), Mayor Holland, Jimmy Farrington, Austin Waters, Larry Corsello, Darryl Marshall, Donald Hardy, Kyle Lagos and secretary Ryan Davenport, and the general public.

(1) Call to Order

Chairman Navey called the meeting to order. Introductions of each commission member present were made.

(2) Approval of Minutes

Mayor Brodman made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 27th regular meeting. Commissioner Hardy provided a second for the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

(3) Sand Search Update

Doug Huggett with Moffatt and Nichol presented an update on the Sand Search. In his presentation he identified the Nearshore Berm and Cape Lookout Shoals as priority areas. Cape Lookout Shoals may present permitting issues and extra costs due to location. New exploratory areas were identified as offshore Emerald Isle/Pine Knoll Shores, offshore Shackelford and West of Area Q. The Nearshore Berm West appears to be most promising with 11.2 Mcy. An agency scoping meeting has been proposed during the first 3 weeks in May. Commissioner Corsello asked what Phase II would look like. Discussion between Mr. Huggett and the commission covered various possibilities on Phase II. Commissioner Navey stated that the ultimate goal was to place sand in our "Tool Box".

(4) CBRA Update and Contract Extension

Ryan Davenport presented the monthly update from Ward and Smith on CBRA issues in Bogue Inlet. He also presented to the commission a contract extension for Ward and Smith services into 2024. Mayor Brodman asked if this expenditure was necessary and if there is potential for this expense to go on indefinitely. Mr. Davenport explained that a change in CBRA designation could prohibit Bogue Banks from receiving beneficial sand from Bogue Inlet. Further discussion among the commission resulted in a decision to

wait until next meeting for vote. Mr. Davenport stated that he would ask Mr. McIntyre to be present at the May meeting to answer questions.

(5) Discussion on Bogue Inlet Dredging

Ryan Davenport stated that the SPO was continuing to work toward receiving beneficial sand from an ACOE dredging project in Bogue Inlet. He went on to state that the SPO was awaiting a cost estimate from ACOE. Hopefully this will be available for review by the May meeting.

(6) Occupancy Tax Update

Ryan Davenport presented the latest Carteret County Occupancy Tax update to the Commission. He stated that Occupancy Tax appears to be on trend with recent years. In February of 2022 a total of \$335,435.30 was collected. In February of 2023 a total of \$326,116.08 was collected.

(7) Other Business

Ryan Davenport stated that the Beaufort Inlet Sea Buoy has been replaced. The SPO continues to monitor USFW Red Knot rules. Doug Huggett stated that sediment sampling of Homers Point channel has been requested.

(8) Public Comment

No one provided public comments.

(9) Adjourn

Commissioner Farrington made a motion to set the next meeting on May 22nd. Commissioner Hardy provided a second. The motion passed unanimously.