

CURRITUCK COUNTY NORTH CAROLINA

Minutes - Special Meeting of the Ocean Sands North & Crown Point Service District for Watershed Improvements Advisory Board

October 11, 2024, 10:00 am

Present: Linda Garczynski Chairman

Gemma A. Green Vice Chairman
Joseph F. Cassidy Board Member
Janis K. Timberlake Board Member
Robert W. Peters Board Member

Absent: Terry Anderson Board Member

Charles Winslow Board Member

Staff Present: Elisha Burge

Ken Griffin

1. Call to Order

Ms. Garczynski called the meeting to order at 9:58AM.

2. Approval of Minutes

1. April 12, 2024 minutes

Ms. Garczynski motioned to approve of the minutes, Mr. Cassidy seconded the motion. Motion approved 5-0.

MOVER: Linda Garczynski

SECONDER: Joseph F. Cassidy

RESULT: Approved

3. Budget Report

1. Budget considerations for Fiscal Year 2026

Ken Griffin, Public Utilities Director provided a budget report. Mr. Griffin, discussed contractual services availablilty of \$215,105.52. He reviewed the account detail for Albemarle Associates & Hatchell. The anticipated levy for Fiscal year 2025 is \$1,462,618.

2. Grant Applications and Process

Mr. Griffin advised board members that Oceans Sands North and Crown Point (OSNCP) did not receive the flood mitigation grant but advised that the County will be pursuing other grants in addition to reapplying to this grant.

4. Phase I Project Update

Ken Griffin, provided an update on Phase I, Segments 1 & 2 project construction and explained the purpose of the project to attendees.

The construction estimated completion date is March 1, 2025.

Mr. Griffin suggested moving forward with phases 3, 4, and 8 of the groundwater lowering system for OSNCP. Ms.Garczynski motioned to move forward with Mr. Griffin's suggestion, Mr. Cassidy seconded motion, motion carried 5-0.

MOVER: Linda Garczynski

SECONDER: Joseph F. Cassidy

RESULT: Approved

1. Drainage Improvements

Flooding in Section N of OSNCP due to failure of the groundwater lowering (GWL) pump at the lagoon for the wastewater treatment facility was discussed.

Mr. Griffin explained the GWL system for O/S, and a new pump was installed earlier this year. A secondary pump is scheduled to install in the coming weeks. Mr. Griffin also explained that the three emergency pumping pipes are under a routine maintenance schedule and the wet well is under review for an upgrade.

5. Emergency Pumping

1. September 2024 Storm Event

The Board discussed the September 2024 Storm event. Members and attendees expressed disappointment on the decision to not deploy emergency pumping sooner and concern for no county personnel onsite after the event. Mr. Griffin agreed that pumps should have been in place

sooner but informed the Board and attendees that Elisha Burge, Stormwater Technician was onsite monitoring conditions and reporting parameters. Mr. Burge suggested to establish an email address for concerns to be sent directly to Stormwater point of contact.

Mrs. Garczynski wanted to ensure rental costs were charged to accounts receiving the pumping and OSNCP did not pay for the use of a pump in Carova Beach.

Flooding in Section F was discussed regarding runoff from undeveloped Section G.

Attendee commented that there has been a precedent of construction companies dumping soil into the Ocean Sands Lake. Mr. Griffin stated that further incidents of this should be reported to Stormwater, the Sheriff's Department as well as the Inspections Department.

6. Set Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be held Friday, March 21, 2025, at 10:00am at the Corolla Library.

7. Adjourn

Mrs. Garczynski motioned to adjourn at 11:44AM, Ms. Green seconded the motion. The motion carried and meeting was adjourned.

MOVER: Linda Garczynski SECONDER: Gemma A. Green

RESULT: Approved