

**RELEASED AT THE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016 COUNCIL MEETING****APPROVED AND SEALED AT THE AUGUST 13, 2013 COUNCIL MEETING**  
**RELEASED THE MARTIN LITIGATION PORTION AT THE FEBRUARY 10, 2015 COUNCIL MEETING****CLOSED SESSION MINUTES  
MOREHEAD CITY, N.C.****TUESDAY, JULY 9, 2013**

The Honorable Council met in CLOSED SESSION in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 202 South 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Morehead City, N.C., during a Regular Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday, July 9, 2013, at 5:30 p.m., as per G.S. 143.318.11[a][3] to consult with the City Attorney regarding a pending lawsuit and the Fire/EMS District. Those in attendance were:

MAYOR:	Gerald A. Jones, Jr.
MAYOR PRO TEM:	Harvey N. Walker, Jr.
COUNCIL:	George W. Ballou
	William F. Taylor
	Demus L. Thompson
	Diane C. Warrender
CITY MANAGER:	David Whitlow
CITY ATTORNEY:	Nelson Taylor, III, Derek Taylor, Mike Thomas
CITY CLERK:	Jeannie Vaughan [Substituting for Jeanne Giblin]

**Morehead Marlins Baseball Team**

In response to Buddy Bengel's e-mail to the Council, City Manager Whitlow suggested that Mayor Jones, Mayor Pro Tem Harvey Walker and himself should meet with Mr. Bengel.

Councilman Ballou was concerned with the threat of the potential leaving of the Marlins Baseball Team. He was concerned that the City will never be able to provide Buddy with the avenue he wants to have entertainment and concerts. It costs a certain amount of money for the Marlins to break even and they would like to explore other venues.

Councilman Taylor commented that once the Jib property is complete, that concerts and entertainment should be directed there.

Councilman Walker commented that the park needs an official scoreboard.

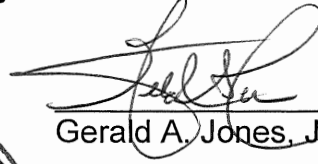
**Fire/EMS District**

Carteret County just approved a three [3] year contract and if Morehead City were to accept it, Carteret County would provide Morehead City \$500,000 for Fire/EMS services in the District for this fiscal year. The City had requested \$727,000 for FY 2012/2013 to cover the costs of the service. The City is collecting data on costs. Morehead City does not charge the county for access to the City water system in the District at the present, but this needs to be considered.

Mayor Jones was of the opinion that Morehead City should acquire the Wildwood Fire District. It was ascertained that Morehead City does not need the Wildwood Fire Department for the ISO rating now that Fire/EMS Station #2 on Arendell Street is on line. All residential areas in Morehead City are now within five [5] miles of a Fire/EMS Station.

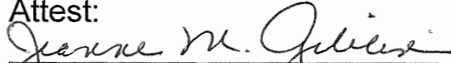
The Council discussed the City's position with regard to reimbursement for costs of providing the Fire/EMS services in the District. No consensus was reached in terms of direction for approval of a contract. City Manager Whitlow asked the Council to consider options and meet again to discuss this at a later date. In any case, City Manager Whitlow would like this matter resolved by the end of this year.

**Councilman Ballou MOVED, seconded by Councilwoman Warrender, and carried unanimously, to return to OPEN SESSION.**



Gerald A. Jones, Jr., Mayor

Attest:

  
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Jeanne M. Giblin, City Clerk