

**APPROVED AND RELEASED AT THE AUGUST 14, 2018
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

**CLOSED SESSION MINUTES
MOREHEAD CITY TOWN COUNCIL**

TUESDAY, July 10, 2018

Councilmember Taylor moved to enter into CLOSED SESSION in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 202 South 8th Street, Morehead City, N.C., during the Regular Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday, July 10, 2018, as per NCGS 143-381.11(a)(3) to consult with City Attorney. Councilmember Warrender seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Gerald A. Jones, Jr.; Councilmembers George W. Ballou, Keri V. McCann, William F. Taylor, Harvey N. Walker, Jr. and Diane C. Warrender.

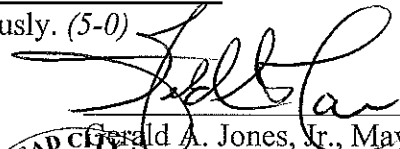
STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Ryan Eggleston, City Attorney Derek Taylor and Mike Thomas, and City Clerk Cathy Campbell.

Attorney Derek Taylor advised that on May 11, 2018 the North Carolina Supreme Court reached a decision upholding the three-year statute of limitations for improperly charged impact fees. For the Town of Morehead City this period would be from October 10, 2014 through October 10, 2017 when Council adopted the new System Development Fee program. He noted that municipalities would only be obligated to pay legal fees if unfair treatment was proven.

City Manager Ryan Eggleston and Finance Director Jewel Lasater will prepare a final list of individuals charged impact fees during this period and presented it to the Finance Committee at their August 2018 meeting. Following the Committee's review, Ms. Lasater will prepare a Budget Amendment to be presented as part of the consent agenda at the August 2018 Town Council meeting.

Attorney Derek Taylor shared that the legislation introduced by Representative Pat McElraft that would give Carteret County authorization to remediate sunken or abandoned boats within its navigable waterways, is stalled in Committee. He stated that it is beneficial that Carteret County is not the only government entity within the state desiring such legislation. Mr. Taylor and City Manager Eggleston were asked to work together in preparing a resolution of support to bolster Representative McElraft's efforts.

Councilmember Walker moved to return to OPEN SESSION. Councilmember Warrender seconded and the motion carried unanimously. (5-0)



Gerald A. Jones, Jr., Mayor

Attest: 
Cathy Campbell, City Clerk

