

CAROLINA BEACH

Town Council Regular Meeting

Tuesday, December 9, 2025 - 6:00 PM

Council Chambers, 1121 N. Lake Park Boulevard, Carolina Beach, NC



MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Barbee called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM, followed by the invocation by Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte and Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT

Mayor Lynn Barbee
Mayor Pro Tem Deb LeCompte
Council Member Jay Healy
Council Member Joe Benson
Council Member Mike Hoffer

ALSO PRESENT

Town Manager Bruce Oakley
Deputy Town Manager Ed Parvin
Finance Director Debbie Hall
Town Clerk Kim Ward
Town Attorney Noel Fox

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

1. Recognition of Outgoing Council Members Joe Benson and Mike Hoffer

Mayor Barbee presented Council Members Hoffer and Benson with plaques for their years of service on Council. Council Members Hoffer and Benson made closing comments.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE

2. Council Member Wayne Rouse Sworn in by The Honorable Representative Charlie Miller
3. Council Member Vince Losito Sworn in by The Honorable Representative Charlie Miller
4. Mayor Lynn Barbee Sworn in by The Honorable Representative Charlie Miller

COUNCIL WILL TAKE A SEAT AT THE DAIS

Mayor Barbee recognized the following people in the audience: Rep. Miller, Pearce Lewis from the Office of the State Auditor, Kure Beach Mayor Allen Oliver, Kure Beach Commissioner-Elect Byron Ashbridge, and Chance Lambeth from U.S. Rep. David Rouzer's office.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

ACTION: Motion to adopt the agenda
Motion made by Mayor Barbee

Voting Yea: Mayor Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte, Council Member Healy, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Losito

Motion passed unanimously

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes
6. Budget Amendments/Transfers
7. Adopt Initial Bond Resolution Number 25-2341
8. Set a Public Hearing for January 13, 2026, to Consider a Rezoning at 205 Raleigh Avenue from Mixed Use (MX) to Central Business District (CBD)
Applicant: Jonathan Lee “Zeke” Hutchins
9. Resolution Opposing Fuquay-Varina’s Request for an Interbasin Transfer

ACTION: Motion to adopt the consent agenda

Motion made by Mayor Barbee

Voting Yea: Mayor Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte, Council Member Healy, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Losito

Motion passed unanimously

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

10. Appointment of Mayor Pro Tem

Mayor Barbee opened the floor for nominations.

ACTION: Motion to nominate Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte to remain in the position of Mayor Pro Tem

Motion made by Council Member Rouse

Voting Yea: Mayor Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte, Council Member Healy, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Losito

Motion passed unanimously

11. Committee Appointments – Planning and Zoning, Board of Adjustment, and Freeman Park

Mayor Barbee announced the following committee appointments:

- Board of Adjustment: Jeff Hogan
- Planning and Zoning: Brad Jones
- Freeman Park: Jack Moore, Mike Hoffer, Sarah Finn

12. Outside Committee Appointments

Mayor Barbee announced the following Council liaison appointments to Town and outside committees:

- Beautification: Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte
- Bike/Ped: Vince Losito
- Marketing: Council Member Healy
- Parks and Rec: Council Member Healy

- Police Advocacy: Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte
- Cape Fear Council of Governments: Mayor Barbee/Council Member Healy
- Carolina/Kure Beach Regional Sewer Authority: Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte/Council Member Losito
- CBP3: Mayor Barbee/Council Member Losito
- Pleasure Island Chamber of Commerce: Mayor Barbee
- North Carolina Beach, Inlet & Waterway Association: Council Member Healy/Council Member Rouse
- New Hanover County Tourism Development Authority: Mayor Barbee
- Wilmington/New Hanover Port, Waterway & Beach Commission: Council Member Healy/Council Member Rouse
- Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization: Mayor Barbee/Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte

ACTION: Motion to approve the appointments as stated

Motion made by Mayor Barbee

Voting Yea: Mayor Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte, Council Member Healy, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Losito

Motion passed unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENT

Cindy Dunn welcomed the new Council Members and thanked others for their work on committees. She said the Beautification Committee has planted a tree in the Centennial Garden in appreciation of Council Member Hoffer's efforts.

Melinda Sininger of 1512 Carolina Beach Avenue North expressed concerns about the beach renourishment template not being followed and rocks and street accesses not being covered. She said this is a matter of safety and not being able to access the beach. Mayor Barbee said to his knowledge the template hasn't changed, but he asked Mr. Oakley to reach out to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for clarification.

Mohamed Hassan, a Town resident since 2009, congratulated new Council Members and urged them to take a look at and respond to a petition he submitted.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte said everyone is disappointed that the Christmas Parade was canceled but indicated that a smaller-scale event is being planned for next Thursday.

Mayor Barbee thanked new Council Members Rouse and Losito for their hard work and taking the election seriously despite running unopposed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Barbee adjourned the meeting at 6:35 PM.

RECEPTION IN THE ATRIUM