

Town of North Topsail Beach **Beach, Inlet, and Sound Advisory Committee**

To: NTB Board of Aldermen

Subject: BISAC Monthly Meeting Report

From: Larry Strother, Chair

Date: Monday December 15, 2025.

DISCUSSION: Committee Makeup

Chairman Strother advised that he has stepped down from his position as the Phase 5 representative and will now serve as an Alderman Representative and will continue as Chairman. Manager Derian has placed an advertisement for a Phase 5 or an At-Large member. All Committee members are current until 2027 or longer. Election for Chairman will take place at the February Meeting.

Manager's Update. Manager Derian advised the Shoreline Protection projects are still paused for turtle season and will resume the first week in January. The project is expected to be completed within three months. Derian reported that Jenkins Beach Access is set to receive beach matting but is in the permitting stage. The repairs at Beach Access 43 at Marina Way have been completed. Access 46 across from Oyster Lane has repairs underway. Derian reported that the Town is continuing to work with TI Coastal for Phases 1 through 3 for the Beach Renourishment project This project is in the permitting stage.

COASTAL ENGINEER REPORT

Chris Gibson, TI Coastal Engineering, provided a map of the project plan for DA 143. He reviewed for the committee and the public the proposed plan for the site. He reviewed the different opportunities the Town has to receive partial funding for the project. Gibson stressed that dune planting cannot be done without the beach, so Renourishment of both the beach and dunes are vital. He discussed the project magnitude, reviewed project costs, and updated the Committee and public on the current stage of the project. He reported that the design phase is at 90%, 100% for the construction and is currently waiting for permitting. He reviewed the next steps, grant applications, permitting applications, etc. We are continuing to negotiate with Wild Life Department in regards to DA 143 and hope to have a meeting soon. Total Cost projected \$44-47 Million, with Cost share through Shallow Draft Inlet Fund of \$33-35 Million. Towns projected cost \$11-12 Million.

Next Tentative Meeting Scheduled February 17, 2026, 10:30 A



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