

**Minutes**  
**Town of Atlantic Beach, North Carolina**  
**Town Council Special Meeting**  
**Thursday, January 31, 2008**

A Special Meeting of the Town Council of Atlantic Beach was held on Thursday, January 31, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Mayor Pro Tem Harry Archer; Councilmember: Ann Batt, Eddie Briley and Ken Ide

**Members Absent:** Mayor Trace Cooper, Councilmember Vada Palma

**Others Present:** Marc Schulze, Interim Town Manager; Kelly Nash, Town Clerk; Derek Taylor, Town Attorney; Adam Snyder, Fire Chief; Mike Simpson, Deputy Fire Chief; Allen Smith, Police Chief; Capt. A.K. Miller, Deputy Police Chief; Capt. Mike Ussery, Atlantic Beach Police Department; Donna Turner, Inspections Director; Jessica Fiester, Planning Director; Nina Erwin, June Harris, Cheryl Hamilton; Leghe Gerald; Travis Thompson; Taft Cobbs, and James Sebastian.

**Call to Order** Mayor Pro Tem Harry Archer called to order the Special Meeting of the Atlantic Beach Town Council at 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Herb Pate led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer.

Councilmember Ide made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Briley. Vote was unanimous, -0. Motion carried.

Councilmember Archer announced that after much research the selection of an Interim Town Manager/Interim Finance Officer had been made. He recognized Mr. Pete Allen as the Interim Town Manager/Finance Officer for the Town of Atlantic Beach. Mr. Archer recognized the various accomplishments and endeavors that Mr. Allen had made throughout the course of his life.

Councilmember Batt made a motion to appoint Pete Allen as the Interim Town Manager/Interim Finance Manager for the Town of Atlantic Beach. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Briley. Vote was unanimous, -0. Motion carried.

At this time, Councilmember Archer noted that Mr. Allen is currently on the Board of Commissioners for Carteret County and was also the Town Manager for Atlantic Beach for 3 years previously. He noted that Mr. Allen graduated from the University of Miami with a Bachelor's degree in Public Administration and was the founder of the Crystal Coast Mayor's Association. He stated that it is truly a pleasure and privilege to have Mr. Allen accept the offer as Interim Town Manager for Atlantic Beach. Councilmember Archer also noted for the record that Mayor Cooper and Councilmember Palma, who were not in attendance at this night's meeting, have given their endorsement to Mr. Allen for the position. At this time, Mr. Pete Allen took the floor.

Mr. Allen thanked the public and staff for being in attendance and commented on how good it was to be back in Atlantic Beach. He advised that he does have an open door policy to one and all and is looking forward to his tenure as Interim Town Manager for the Town of Atlantic Beach.

Councilmember Archer at this time, recognized Mr. Marc Schulze for the duties he performed as acting Interim Town Manager during the search process. He acknowledged that Mr. Schulze has been an ambassador for the town and a team player and that he has handled the duties bestowed upon him with professionalism. He also thanked Mr. Ted Pace, Assistant Director of Public Works for his additional duties in that department during the time that Mr. Schulze was acting Interim Town Manager. Councilmember Archer opened the floor to any public comments.

Mr Herb Pate took the floor and thanked Mr. Schulze for his stepping in when needed and has been very faithful to the town and that the town is very fortunate and blessed to have him on staff.

Mrs. Llewellyn Ramsey congratulated the new board, since their election, for stepping in and becoming active on the issues at hand and stated "We love you, Pete."

Derek Taylor, Town Attorney welcomed Mr. Allen.

Councilmember Batt also welcomed Mr. Allen and acknowledged that the town has wonderful citizens and staff.

Councilmember Briley welcomed Mr. Allen and also acknowledged that since he the election he has come to find that the town has a wonderful staff to work with and he feels that he couldn't ask for a better staff to work with.

Councilmember Ide commented that the town was fortunate to have in their employment Mr. Allen and thanked Mr. Schulze and feels that the town has a great Public Works department.

There being no further action taken or business before the Town Council, Councilmember Briley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Ide. Vote was unanimous, 4-0. The meeting was adjourned at 4: p.m.

Submitted by:

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Kelly L. Nash, Town Clerk

These minutes were approved at the February 18, 2008 meeting of the Atlantic Beach Town Council.

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A. B. "Trace" Cooper III, Mayor