

**TOWN OF DUCK
TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
January 7, 2026**

The Town Council for the Town of Duck convened at the Paul F. Keller Meeting Hall at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 7, 2026.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Monica Thibodeau; Mayor Pro Tempore Sandy Whitman; Councilor Kevin Lingard; and Councilor Marc Murray.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilor Brenda Chasen.

OTHERS PRESENT: Town Manager Drew Havens; Development and Infrastructure Director/Assistant Town Manager Connor Winstead; Town Attorney Robert Hobbs; Police Chief Jeffrey Ackerman; Fire Chief Matthew Dudek; Public Information and Events Director Kristiana Nickens; Finance Administrator Lauren Creech; Planning and Permits Manager Sandy Cross; and Town Clerk Lori Ackerman.

OTHERS ABSENT: None.

Mayor Thibodeau called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. She noted that Councilor Brenda Chasen was excused from the meeting.

Mayor Thibodeau asked Finance Administrator Lauren Creech to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Thibodeau led the moment of silence.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Thibodeau opened the floor for public comments. She noted that comments will be limited to three minutes as there was a timer for the time limit. There being no one wishing to speak, she closed the time for public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes from the December 3, 2025, Regular Meeting; Contract with HHL D, LLC, for \$46,192 for Duck Trail Improvements to Demolish, Remove and Reconstruct the Existing Asphalt Trail between Wood Duck Drive and Pintail Drive with a New Concrete Trail; Resolution 26-02, a Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Duck, North Carolina, Commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the American Shore & Beach Preservation Association; and Budget Amendment

Mayor Pro Tempore Whitman moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion carried 4-0.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Employee Recognition Program

Mayor Thibodeau stated that in December 2011, Council adopted an employee service recognition program that would acknowledge the service of employees of the Town at five-year intervals by providing them with a certificate of recognition as well as a gift certificate to a Duck business of their choosing.

Mayor Thibodeau, Town Manager Havens, and Police Chief Jeffrey Ackerman went on to present Police Corporal Mitchell Ardinger with his 5-year service recognition certificate and \$50 gift certificate.

QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARING

There were no Quasi-judicial public hearings at this time.

LEGISLATIVE PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no Legislative public hearings at this time.

OLD BUSINESS/ITEMS DEFERRED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Discussion/Consideration of Appointing an Individual to Serve on the Board of Adjustment

Mayor Thibodeau stated that there was an opening on the Board of Adjustment for a term to expire on May 1, 2028 to fill the unexpired term of Tom Burton. She stated that staff advertised the opening and three applications were received from Jeannine Cotner, Frank Douglas, and Stephen Fowler. She asked if Mr. Douglas and Mr. Fowler were present.

Town Clerk Lori Ackerman was recognized to speak. Town Clerk Ackerman stated that Frank Douglas had indicated that he would be present for the meeting, but that Stephen Fowler would not.

Mayor Thibodeau stated that there were three applications, which the Council had looked over, adding that it was great that people wanted to serve on the Board of Adjustment. She asked Council if there was anything that wanted to discuss or if they wanted to nominate one of the individuals. Town Clerk Ackerman noted that she had sent Council an email earlier in the day letting them know that Jeannine Cotner had withdrawn her application.

Councilor Lingard stated that it was difficult because he did not know Frank Douglas or Stephen Fowler, adding that neither were present for the meeting.

Mayor Pro Tempore Whitman asked Assistant Town Manager Connor Winstead if there was a quorum for the Board of Adjustment meeting that was being held on Monday, January 12, 2026. Assistant Town Manager Winstead stated that there was. Mayor Pro Tempore Whitman suggested that the appointment to the Board of Adjustment be tabled until Council's February 4, 2026 meeting so Mr. Douglas and Mr. Fowler could be present for the meeting. Councilor Lingard agreed.

Mayor Pro Tempore Whitman moved to table the appointment to the Board of Adjustment until the February 4, 2026, meeting.

Mayor Thibodeau clarified that the applications would be closed and Council would only be considering the two applications that were received. Town Clerk Ackerman stated that Council could reopen the application period to see if more people applied. Mayor Thibodeau thought it was fine not to reopen the period. Councilor Lingard and Councilor Murray stated that they were fine with not reopening the period.

Motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion/Consideration of Resolution 26-01, a Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Duck, North Carolina, Amending Resolution 18-05, a Policy Related to the Emergency Pumping of Floodwater

Planning & Permits Manager Sandy Cross was recognized to speak. Manager Cross explained that in September, 2018, Council adopted Resolution 18-05 which provided guidance for emergency pumping and established roles and responsibilities for pumping; specifically, it clarified that pumping was allowed onto private property provided that the pumping did not cause visible impacts to adjoining properties. She stated that it further clarified that homeowner and property owner associations as well as private property owners can request a permit to pump to the Atlantic Ocean or the Currituck Sound from the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Water Resources, but the request must come through the Town. She added that the resolution defined floodwater and emergency conditions consistent with the Town's Floodwater Management Discharge Plan which included specific water levels and a waiting period before pumping may be approved.

Manager Cross stated that recent rain events and the depth of floodwaters and waiting periods seemed to be inconsistent with the purpose of Resolution 18-05 and the Floodwater Management Discharge Plan to "remove threats to public health and safety and provide relief from flooding impacts". She stated that amending Resolution 18-05 with Resolution 26-01 make the revisions that have been recommended so that the Plan could be updated and approved by the Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Water Resources.

Manager Cross stated that at their December 10, 2025 meeting, the Planning Board recommended approval of Resolution 26-01 as well as the revisions to the Floodwater Management Discharge Plan, adding that both the resolution and the plan were vetted through NCDWR with minor comments. She added that they were presented to the Planning Board at their December 10, 2025 meeting with no further comments. She noted that if Council adopted Resolution 26-01, staff will submit the resolution along with the revised discharge pumping plan to NCDWR for formal permit approval.

Councilor Lingard asked what the rationale was between the 48 hours that was in the original resolution. Manager Cross explained that there were guidelines with FEMA that specify storm events, adding that there was a reason behind it, but after reaching out to David May from the Division of Water Resources, he was very clear that the waiting period was not required and felt that pumping sooner was better than waiting in order to decrease the likelihood of bacteria in the area being pumped to the ocean or sound.

Mayor Thibodeau thought when the Town did it originally, it was hoped that it would recede and one would see normal absorption with last resort pumping being done. She added that there was the practical aspects of letting the water sit, which was a long 45-hours for people to wait. She stated that it was great that it was no longer a requirement.

Mayor Thibodeau asked if the Town has pumps on hand and who was overseeing the pumping. She noted that staff monitors it but wondered if the Fire Department was asked to do it. Manager Cross explained that, logistically speaking, staff helps with the set up and in past situations, there has been a resident, homeowner association member or management company that has monitored it and recorded the data with staff reporting it back to the State. She noted that it may vary depending on the circumstances. She stated that if there was a large hurricane situation, it would require more people to help, adding that the Town also has assistance from Dare County in that they have eight large pumps that they distribute out to communities with Duck being one.

Town Manager Drew Havens was recognized to speak. Town Manager Havens stated that with the storm event the Town experienced last year, staff was able to secure one of the pumps from Dare County. He noted that staff went and picked it up, operated it, and monitored it, adding that it was Chief Ackerman, some of the firefighters that got the discharge hose set up, and he spent time with Chief Ackerman to help. He pointed out that it was staff intensive and that the Town has four small trash pumps that a homeowner could operate. He stated that the Town has an agreement with Georgetown Sands where they could pick a pump up and use their own discharge hose since they already know how to operate the pump. He explained that the large pumps that Dare County has require Town staff to go pick them up, set them up and run them.

Manager Cross stated that the State was very clear that the pumps were not to be used for everyday rain events. She stated that language in the resolution was included that stated that even if the floodwaters have receded, it did not mean the Town was taking the equipment away, adding that language was left in that would allow the continuation of pumping if the floodwater came back.

Councilor Lingard moved to adopt Resolution 26-01 as presented.

Motion carried 4-0.

Discussion/Consideration of Authorizing a Public Hearing on Ordinance 26-01, Amending Chapter 91, Certain Conditions Declared Nuisances, to Include Improper Discharge of Water or Other Liquids onto Adjoining Properties and Discussion/Consideration of Authorizing a Public Hearing on Ordinance 26-02, an Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Duck, to Add Subsection 156.141, Discharge of Stormwater, Pool Water, Hot Tub Water, and Dewatering Effluent

Manager Cross explained that at Council's Retreat in February 2025, Council had directed the Community Development staff to review and present to the Planning Board for consideration and discussion Chapter 91 regarding public nuisances. She stated that Community Development staff often receive complaint calls in the spring and fall as well as following extreme rain events regarding the discharge of water onto adjacent properties and/or onto adjacent roadways. She pointed out that this often exacerbates an already sensitive situation and the Town Code was silent with regard to these types of matters.

Manager Cross stated that the matter was introduced during the August 13, 2025 Planning Board meeting and discussed at three meetings. She noted that staff presented relevant ordinance examples from other North Carolina coastal communities and obtained insight from Police Chief Ackerman and Town Attorney Robert Hobbs. She added that the Planning Board unanimously recommended approval of a revision to Chapter 91, General Nuisances, to add language specific to the improper discharge of water or other liquid onto adjoining or nearby property. She stated that the Board also recommended the addition of Zoning Subsection 156.141 to address General Nuisances from a land use development perspective with a reference back to Chapter 91 in the event of imminent effects to public safety, health, or welfare.

Manager Cross stated that the Planning Board voted 5-0 to recommend approval of the proposed text amendments in Ordinance 26-01 and 26-02 at their meeting on November 12, 2025, since both ordinances provide clarity for consistent application of the Town Code, was consistent with the intent of the Town's Comprehensive & Land Use Plan as well as the Town's 2032 Vision. She noted that Ordinance 26-01 was a legislative amendment and a public hearing was not required; however, since Ordinance 26-02 was a similar and associated zoning text amendment and was being recommended by the Planning Board, Council may wish to consider both items simultaneously and conduct a public hearing.

Manager Cross stated that at their November 12, 2025, meeting, The Planning Board voted unanimously to recommend approval of Ordinance 26-02, which includes a

reference back to Chapter 91 in the event of imminent effects to public safety, health, or welfare.

Councilor Lingard asked if Ordinance 26-01 would do anything to address water running onto an adjacent property. Manager Cross stated that it would not, adding that it would deal with actually discharging water.

Mayor Thibodeau stated that she was in favor of holding two public hearings for Ordinance 26-01 and 26-02. She thought staff would need to reach out to the pool companies. Manager Cross agreed, adding that it could start with a new construction and be noted in the permit. Mayor Thibodeau stated that it was not always easy to hold in the pool water on a property, adding that she spent a lot of time putting together a retention area for her pool water.

Mayor Pro Tempore Whitman moved to schedule the public hearing on Ordinance 26-01 for February 4, 2026.

Motion carried 4-0.

Councilor Lingard moved to schedule the public hearing on Ordinance 26-02 for February 4, 2026.

Motion carried 4-0.

Discussion/Consideration of Authorizing a Public Hearing on Ordinance 26-03, an Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Duck, Subsection 156.051, Building Features Exempt from Setbacks or Minimum Yard Requirements to Allow for Outdoor Showers in the Rear Setback

Manager Cross explained that at Council's November 5, 2025 meeting, Council authorized the Community Development staff to work with the Planning Board to review Section 156.051 – Building Features Exempt from Setbacks or Minimum Yard Requirements: specifically, Council authorized staff and the Planning Board to consider a narrowly constructed Zoning Text Amendment to allow outdoor showers as exempt from minimum yard requirements.

Manager Cross stated that the Planning Board made a recommendation to allow outdoor showers to encroach up to a maximum of three feet into the rear setback provided that the outdoor shower is attached to the principal structure, is not fully enclosed, includes functioning plumbing with a shower head, is no longer than eight feet in width contiguous with the principal structure and provided the rear setback is not less than 25 feet. She noted that the Board voted unanimously to recommend approval of Ordinance 26-03 at their December 10, 2025 meeting. She added that the draft ordinance presented to the Planning Board specifically stated that these changes were reasonable and consistent with the intent and recommendation of the Town's adopted Comprehensive & Land Use Plan.

Councilor Lingard thought it was a very small portion that houses would benefit from this exemption, adding that houses would have to be on the setback line and the setback would have to be 25 feet. He asked if that applied to a large number of properties. Manager Cross stated that she has not completed that evaluation but could do it if Council wished. She added that she wasn't sure how many houses were built right to the rear setback.

Councilor Murray explained that there were some subdivisions where the lots were wider than deep and that would be when this exemption would apply. He added it would apply to the Sandy Ridge and some of the Snow Geese subdivisions. Manager Cross stated that the Poteskeet subdivision has some long lots that were not deep and may apply there. She noted that there were also some homes that were constructed right at the 25-foot rear setback and did not have an outdoor shower and they may come back to the Town saying that they wanted to construct one.

Councilor Lingard moved to schedule the public hearing on Ordinance 26-03 for February 4, 2026.

Motion carried 4-0.

Discussion/Consideration of Authorizing a Public Hearing on Ordinance 26-04, an Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Duck, Subsection 156.002, Definitions and Specifically to Correct and Clarify the Definition of Lot Coverage

Manager Cross explained that after working with recent revisions to the definition of Lot Coverage, the Community Development staff identified two parts of the text that need to be amended for clarity purposes. She pointed out that staff had previously discussed with the Planning Board an issue and clarification regarding alternative ground cover agreements as noted in the definition of Lot Coverage. She noted that the Planning Board agreed it was their consensus that any alternative ground cover that was afforded reduced or no lot coverage consideration should be subject to documentation and recordation of a ground cover agreement stating that the installation was consistent with the manufacturer's specifications and that maintenance will be provided. She added that this was not clearly stated in the current iteration of the definition of Lot Coverage. She stated that the Town no longer counts pool water in lot coverage; however, the principal definition still includes "pools," so it needed to be addressed for consistency.

Manager Cross stated that at Council's November 5, 2025 meeting, Council authorized the Planning Board to revisit this section of the Zoning Ordinance. She explained that the matter was introduced during the Planning Board's November 12, 2025 meeting and the Board voted unanimously to recommend that revisions that included the removal of "pools" from lot coverage and clarification of the use of artificial turf requiring design specifications, a maintenance plan, and recordation of a ground cover agreement with the Dare County Register of Deeds.

Manager Cross stated that the Planning Board voted 5-0 to recommend approval of the proposed Ordinance 26-04 at their November 12, 2025 meeting because the ordinance corrects an error and provides clarity applying the Town Code consistent with the intent of the Town's Comprehensive & CAMA Land Use Plan as well as the 2032 Vision.

Mayor Thibodeau asked if artificial turf was considered semi-pervious. Manager Cross explained that the Town does not count artificial turf as coverage at all, but the specifications still have to be looked at because there was some turf that doesn't have holes in it, adding that there was a permeability rating to it as well as a design standard where it should be under Gator Base which was a flat, permeable product that can withstand a load or it could be put over four to eight inches of rock, depending on the use. She stated that the whole purpose was so that it had storage capacity for stormwater.

Mayor Thibodeau clarified that it was more of the recording process in perpetuity that it would be acknowledged that it was an allocation. She further clarified that it would be fully pervious like a pervious driveway. Manager Cross stated she was correct.

Mayor Pro Tempore Whitman moved to schedule the public hearing on Ordinance 26-04 for February 4, 2026.

Motion carried 4-0.

Discussion/Consideration of Chapter 110, Peddlers and Vendors

Manager Cross explained that the Town had enacted Chapter 110 as part of its initial review and incorporation in 2003, adding that three amendments to the chapter had been made since then. She noted that the most notable revision occurred in 2012 when Peddlers and Itinerant Merchants were prohibited in Town entirely with some exceptions. She stated that some of the reasoning behind the prohibition had to do with feuding ice cream trucks and brick-and-mortar business owners opposing mobile businesses competing with them without the monetary commitment associated with a brick-and-mortar location.

Manager Cross stated that as of 2025, staff was now seeing little campers as desirable additions to some of the local brick-and-mortar establishments. She added that the Town has on a number of occasions sought out mobile vendors for the 4th of July parade and the Jazz Festival. She noted that while Council may not want to open the door entirely to peddlers and vendors, it may be worth reviewing the current standards for consistency with the Town's Comprehensive & CAMA Land Use Plan and 2032 Vision. She suggested it be discussed at the annual Retreat or referring it to the Planning Board for discussion.

Councilor Lingard thought Council needed to have a discussion on the issue. He proposed that it be discussed at the Retreat, adding that there will be arguments on both sides. He thought that before the Retreat, Council could get some input from the local

businesses and the public to see what their thoughts were because he could see some instances where food trucks, especially in the summer season, could be useful to visitors when there was a wait at the restaurants. He stated that in the shoulder season it may not be something that would be needed. He reiterated that a discussion was needed and thought the Retreat was the proper place to have it, but getting input from local businesses and property owners would be useful before that.

Mayor Thibodeau clarified that Councilor Lingard was suggesting that the Retreat would open the discussion with Council first in order to set a direction. Councilor Lingard stated she was correct, adding that if Council felt it needed more input from the Planning Board, it could be referred to them then. He thought, as a Council, it should be discussed at the Retreat.

Councilor Murray asked if addressing it at the Retreat would preclude it being sent to the Planning Board. Mayor Thibodeau thought that flushing out the conversation so there was more direction for the Planning Board would be helpful.

Mayor Pro Tempore Whitman thought it should be sent to the Planning Board first and let them vet it and give it to Council at a future meeting.

Mayor Thibodeau stated that she liked the idea of having more of a discussion about the issue at the Retreat before sending it to the Planning Board because there were so many variables. She thought if it was sent to the Planning Board first, she wasn't sure if they would know what to do with it. Mayor Pro Tempore Whitman thought it could be vetted at the Retreat.

Mayor Thibodeau asked Town Manager Havens if there would be time to discuss the issue at the Retreat. Town Manager Havens stated that there would be. Mayor Thibodeau agreed that things change and there was a time where a craft fair used to come into Town that lined the street, which annoyed the merchants because they were taking away from their businesses and the vendors were not local. She added that Town Council had discussed in the past holding a market on the Town green and, again, there was the worry that the Town was taking from the local businesses. She stated that it was a balance of what makes sense for the community, adding that maybe there could be an outreach to the business community to hear what they have to say.

Mayor Thibodeau moved to allocate some discussion time at the Council Retreat to discuss peddlers and vendors.

Motion carried 4-0.

ITEMS REFERRED TO AND PRESENTATIONS FROM THE TOWN ATTORNEY

Town Attorney Robert Hobbs was recognized to speak. Town Attorney Hobbs stated he had no report.

ITEMS REFERRED TO AND PRESENTATIONS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

Departmental Updates

Police Chief Ackerman Jeffrey Ackerman was recognized to speak. Police Chief Ackerman gave a brief overview of the past month's police activities to Council and the audience.

Public Information and Events Director Kristiana Nickens was recognized to speak. Director Nickens gave a brief overview of activities to Council and the audience.

Fire Chief Matthew Dudek was recognized to speak. Fire Chief Dudek gave a brief overview of the past month's fire activities to Council and the audience.

Assistant Town Manager Winstead gave an overview of the past month's permit activities to Council and the audience.

November FY 2026 Financial Presentation

Finance Administrator Lauren Creech was recognized to speak. Administrator Creech gave a short presentation on the November Fiscal Year 2026 financials to Council and the audience.

MAYOR'S AGENDA

Mayor Thibodeau stated that she attended her first mayor/chairmen meeting recently where there was a good conversation on beach nourishment as well as other issues that were affecting the other towns. She stated that she represents Duck on the Dare Housing Foundation which stemmed from all the discussions on workforce housing opportunities, adding that they were in the process of becoming a 501(c)3 nonprofit. She stated that she was looking forward to attending Essentials of Municipal Government with the rest of Council and Assistant Town Manager Winstead January 21-23, 2026 in Wilmington, North Carolina.

Mayor Thibodeau reminded the audience that Council holds a Public Comment period at the beginning and ending of each Council meeting, adding that Council does not have discussions during their meetings, but people can say what they like during the Public Comment periods. She clarified that people could write in their comments for public hearings if they were unable to attend one. Town Clerk Ackerman stated that she was correct and that written comments would be read into the record for a public hearing.

COUNCIL MEMBER'S AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tempore Whitman stated that he had given a presentation in December to the DCBA. He thanked the Planning Board for all of their work. He noted that beach planting would be happening on Friday, January 9, 2026 at 1:00 p.m.

Councilor Lingard explained that with regard to public comment, the only time it was different was during a public hearing where people can comment at a public hearing. He wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Councilor Murray stated that he had received an email from the Albemarle Rural Planning Organization adding that he should have some information to share with Council and the audience at the February 4, 2026 meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Additional Public Comments

Mayor Thibodeau opened the floor for public comments.

Jennifer Casias of Vine and Board Gourmet Bites was recognized to speak. Ms. Casias stated that she wanted to give her thoughts with regard to the vendors and peddlers issue. She thought it added a quaint kitschy vibe to the Town and also allows the brick-and-mortar venues to provide more options without having to develop more of the land and adds a different level of efficient service for the tourists as well as keeping tourists in Duck because it allows more options to serve them.

Ms. Casias stated that she was not advocating for outer, unaffiliated mobile vehicles coming into Town and taking away from the businesses at hand, but the businesses at hand that do have small, mobile vehicles could have them stationary on site as another option of service. She thought there would be rules and guidelines to make things aesthetically pleasing with regard to peddlers and vendors.

Mark Wishner of 109 Settlers Lane was recognized to speak. Mr. Wishner stated that he had a problem with his lot in that he could not obtain a Certificate of Occupancy because he found out that he was in violation of the zoning requirements with one issue being his outdoor shower. He stated that he could not get a Certificate of Occupancy until he met with Town Manager Havens and after that he received one but was told that he would receive zoning violation notices, adding that he received them three times through certified mail, email, and regular mail. He stated that he was responsible for removing his outdoor shower as well as having a pool deck issue. He pointed out that he was not sure how far his current outdoor shower was into the setback and wasn't sure if three feet was enough, adding that he wasn't sure if the 10% leeway would protect him if it was not within the three feet.

Mr. Wishner stated that Town Manager Havens had told him that the 10% leeway would give him another 2.5 feet because of the 25-foot setback and he was 5.5 inches outside of the setback and because of that, the Town wanted him to remove the outdoor shower,

which was very upsetting to him. He noted that the most upsetting thing was that the closest house to his was through his back yard, was at the far end of the cul de sac of the Osprey Ridge subdivision, and no house could be built in the setback area. He explained that the reason for that was that Peter Pinto has a house on the sound and his lot wraps around the cul de sac. He stated that if one looked at his setback and went 25 feet, there was a large ravine that could not be built on, adding that if one looked at Mr. Pinto's property, it went 15 feet to the cul de sac and on the far side of the cul de sac was a home that was nearest to him. He felt that this was ridiculous and was form over substance and then he was hit with zoning violations because of this. He stated that he did not know that the zoning text amendment for the ordinance was being proposed, adding that he had emailed Town Manager Havens... *-The three-minute time ended at this point in his public comment.*

Mayor Thibodeau allowed Mark Wishner to continue for another minute, noting that Mr. Wishner would not receive any engagement from Town Council.

Mark Wishner stated that there was another problem with his pool deck that was within the setback. He pointed out that setbacks were so a home would not interfere with a neighbor's and he could not interfere with his neighbors because there wasn't anyone behind his house. He stated that he now has to deal with that issue, assuming that the new ordinance was intended to take care of his situation. He stated that he wished he had known it was happening because he received Notices of Violation with \$500-\$1000 per day fees unless he repaired the violations. He stated that he would like someone to tell him that the ordinance will resolve his issue and he will not have to deal with the violations he received.

There being no one else wishing to comment, Mayor Thibodeau closed the time for public comments.


Mayor Thibodeau stated that Council's next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, January 21, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. She asked Council if they wished to change the time given that Council will be driving to Wilmington that afternoon. She suggested that the meeting be changed to the morning. Mayor Pro Tempore Whitman suggested it start at 10:00 or 10:30 a.m. Councilor Lingard and Councilor Murray stated they would be fine with changing it to 10:00 a.m. It was *consensus* of Council to hold their Mid-Month meeting on Wednesday, January 21, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.


ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tempore Whitman moved to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried 4-0.

The time was 2:36 p.m.


Lori A. Ackerman, Town Clerk

Approved: February 4, 2026

Monica Thibodeau, Mayor

