

**TOWN OF TOPSAIL BEACH**

**BUDGET SUMMARY**

**Proposed Fiscal Year Budget**

**2012-2013**

**To: The Honorable, Howard M. Braxton, Mayor and  
Topsail Beach Board of Commissioners**

**From: Tim H. Holloman, Town Manager**

**Date:** June 13, 2012

The Board of Commissioners of Topsail Beach and the Town staff herein submit the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year Budget in accordance with the North Carolina Budget and Fiscal Control Act. The budget before you is the culmination of multiple drafts and revisions with input from citizens, commissioners and staff. The 2011-2012 Fiscal Budget does not appropriate any fund balance or reserves for operation or capital expense. Service levels will be maintained at the highest level as expected by the residents and businesses of the Town of Topsail Beach.

Following a Board retreat in January of 2012 the Town Manager, Mayor and Board of Commissioners discussed projects and programs that have been incorporated and continued in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Budget

***General Fund Revenue Summary:***

**Proposed Ad Valorem Tax Rates:**

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| 2012 – 2013 Proposed BIS Maintenance Tax =  | \$0.1200 per \$100 valuation        |
| 2012 – 2013 Proposed General Ops Fund Tax = | \$0.1725 per \$100 valuation        |
| <b>Total Proposed Tax Rate =</b>            | <b>\$0.2925 per \$100 valuation</b> |

**Total Ad Valorem Tax Collection**

**FY 2012 – 2013**

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| BIS Maintenance Tax =                       | \$731,011          |
| General Ops Fund Tax =                      | \$1,050,828        |
| <b>Total Ad Valorem Tax Collection</b>      | <b>\$1,809,839</b> |
| <b>Total Other Revenue for General Fund</b> | <b>\$1,629,151</b> |
| <b>Total General Fund</b>                   | <b>\$3,438,990</b> |

### ***Solid Waste Fees***

The Town provides residential solid waste pickup through a private contract with Tons of Trash. There will be no increase in fees, but an additional service was added mid-year in 2011-12 to allow for twice a week pick up for bulk debris that has been well received by the residents and visitors.

### ***Federal Emergency Management Revenues***

The Town anticipates additional revenues to cover expenditures for the second phase of the Hurricane Irene Project. These revenues and expenditures are not reflected in the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year Budget. Costs will be determined through bidding at the end of the 2012 calendar year and budget amendments will be made accordingly.

### ***General Fund Expenditures:***

General Fund total expenditures are \$3,438,990. The Town anticipates placing \$920,231 in Beach Inlet and Sound Reserves or using these funds to match a State Grant. Should the Grant be awarded to the Town, the 30 year program schedule would provide an additional two years before another beach wide project is needed. The Town will purchase one new police car and equipment attachments for the Public Works Front End Loader.

### ***General Fund Debt Service***

There are two loans in the General Fund, one for the Marina purchase and one for the Fire Truck purchase. The Marina debt payment in FY 2012-13 is \$167,559.38 with 11 years remaining on the debt and interest. The Town is exploring refinancing the Marina Loan and may save approximately \$240,000 in interest by taking advantage of a lower interest rate. The loan was not finalized in time to include in this report. The Fire Truck debt has four years remaining and the FY 2012-13 payment of \$80,932.72.

### ***Water Fund Revenues***

Total Water Revenues remain modest over the past years. Impact Fee revenues reflect a slight increase due to development. Fees remain the same for fiscal year 2012 – 2013. The Town Board is continuing to pursue a no interest loan through the Clean Water Management Trust fund. The Infrastructure project would increase the town's water storage capacity by sixty percent. It will also loop town lines to aid efficiency in water flow. The project will allow for installation of radio read meters to more accurately monitor water usage and loss. The Town Board will be considering rates that will allow financing of improvements in midyear 2012-13. At present only revenues anticipated to cover project management and bidding are reflected in the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year Budget. Total Water Fund Revenues are \$764,783 with \$200,000 being anticipated loan receipts.

***Water Fund Expenditures***

Water Fund total expenditures are \$764,783.

***Water Fund Debt Service***

There is one loan in the Water Fund for the development of Well #5. The payment in FY 2012-13 is \$138,493.26 and 14 years remain on this debt.

End of Fund Summary

It has been a pleasure working with the Board and Staff to prepare an efficient budget that reflects the interests of our citizens and owners and provides the service that our residents deserve.

Tim Holloman

Town Manager 

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