

TOWN OF TOPSAIL BEACH
 BUDGET SUMMARY
 Proposed Fiscal Year Budget
 2013-2014

To: The Honorable, Howard M. Braxton, Mayor and Topsail Beach Board of Commissioners
From: Tim H. Holloman, Town Manager
Date: June 12, 2013

The Board of Commissioners of Topsail Beach and the Town staff herein submit the 2013-2014 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 2013-2014 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 February of 2013 the Town Manager, Mayor and Board of Commissioners discussed projects and programs that have been incorporated and continued in the Fiscal Year 2013-14 Budget

General Fund Revenue Summary:

Proposed Ad Valorem Tax Rates:

2013 – 2014 Proposed BIS Maintenance Tax =	\$0.1200 per \$100 valuation
2013 – 2014 Proposed General Ops Fund Tax =	<u>\$0.1725 per \$100 valuation</u>
Total Proposed Tax Rate =	\$0.2925 per \$100 valuation

Total Ad Valorem Tax Collection

	FY 2013 – 2014
BIS Maintenance Tax =	\$ 721,397
General Ops Fund Tax =	\$1,037,008
Total Ad Valorem Tax Collection	\$1,758,405
Total Other Revenue for General Fund	\$1,903,391
Total Revenue from FEMA	<u>\$3,475,000</u>
Total General Fund	\$7,136,796

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.

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 reflected in the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year Budget. Costs may fluctuate through the bidding process and budget amendments will be made accordingly.

General Fund Expenditures:

General Fund total expenditures are \$7,136,796. The Town anticipates placing \$920,000 in Beach Inlet and Sound Reserves. To enhance public safety and to provide more police coverage, the Town will add a new police officer one position in the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year. The Town will purchase one new police car and a traffic camera. The Town will also be purchasing a gate and pay device at Bush Marina. \$60,000 is budgeted for long term vehicle/equipment expenses in the Fire and Public Works Department. There are also funds budgeted for matching a Parks and Recreation Trust Fund Grant to develop the Town Center. The Town is also contributing to Cape Fear Community College's new annex in Surf City.

General Fund Debt Service

The General Fund services two loans; one for the Bush Marina purchase and one for the Fire Truck purchase. The Marina debt payment in FY 2013-14 is \$171,235 with 8 years remaining on the debt and interest. The Town refinanced the Marina Loan this year saving \$168,000 by taking advantage of a lower interest rate and a shorter term. Three years remain on the Fire Truck debt and the FY 2013-14 payment is \$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 2013 – 2014. (Fees were changed in May 2013 in Fiscal Year 2012-2013) The Town Board secured a no interest loan through the Clean Water Management Trust fund for three million, five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000). The Infrastructure project increases the town's water storage capacity by sixty percent. It also looped town lines to aid efficiency in water flow. The project included the installation of radio read meters to more accurately monitor water usage and loss. An annual savings of approximately \$2,140 will be realized through decreased labor costs. Total Water Fund Revenues are \$749,719.

Water Fund Expenditures

Water Fund total expenditures are \$749,719.

Water Fund Debt Service

The Water Fund services two loans. One loan is for the development of Well #5. The payment in FY 2013-14 is \$133,828.94 and 13 years remain on this debt. The second loan is for the recently completed water infrastructure project and the payment for FY 2013-2014 is \$175,000 with 20 years remaining on this debt.

End of Fund Summary

Working with the Board and Staff, we have prepared a conservative and efficient budget that reflects the interests of our citizens and owners while providing the service that our residents deserve.

Tim Holloman
Town Manager