



## **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP ANNUAL MEETING**

*Thursday, February 27, 2025*

### **AGENDA**

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Invocation and Pledge**
3. **Agenda Amendments \*\*\***
4. **Approval February 29, 2024, Minutes (see attachment) \*\*\***
5. **Election of Municipal Executive Committee Members and Officers (see attachment) \*\*\***
6. **Presentation of Annual Report/2025 Public Officials Directory**
7. **Delegate Comments and Open Discussion**
8. **Adjourn**

**Next Meeting:** Regular Scheduled Executive Committee meeting Monday, May 12, 2025, 11:00 A.M.



**Cape Fear Council of Governments**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
*February 29, 2024*  
**MINUTES**

**Delegates Present:**

Rich Alt, Southport	Kathy Ashely, Fair Bluff	Lynn Barbee, Carolina Beach
Teresa Batts, Surf City	Brenda Bozeman, Leland	Shannon Britt, Chadbourn
Lavern Coleman, Columbus Co.	David DeLong, St. James (alt)	John Ellen, Kure Beach
Mike Forte, Brunswick Co.	Sheila Grady, Northwest	Lamont Grate, Tabor City
Alan Holden, Holden Beach	David Joyner, Wilmington	George Kassler, Caswell Beach
Pete Keaton, Sandyfield	Terry Littrell, Lake Waccamaw	David Mammay, Boiling Spring Lakes (alt)
Shawn Maynor, Bolton	Alonzo McArthur, Brunswick	Harry McClard, Carolina Shores
Ryan Merrill, Belville	Mel Miller, Sandy Creek	Vickie Pait, Whiteville
Shannon Phillips, Sunset Beach	David Prince, Cerro Gordo	Francisco Rivas-Diaz, Wallace (alt)
Bill Rivenbark, New Hanover Co.	Wayne Rowell, Ocean Isle Beach	Randy Stevenson, Varnamtown (alt)
Scott Thomas, Bald Head Island (alt)	Liz White, Oak Island	Bobby Williamson, Shallotte

**Delegates Absent:**

John Gunter, Topsail Beach	Donna Long, Calabash	Ella Jane Marston, Bolivia
Jacki Newton, Pender Co.	Zeke Partin, Wrightsville Beach	Eulis Willis, Navassa

**CFCOG Staff Present:**

Dana Bentley	Holli Blackwelder	Sam Bowell	Ginger Brick	Jeff Brunsink
Madison Bryant	Joe Byrnes	Tony Caggiano	Kandace Gray	Rosemary Guendner
Ursula Harris	Brian Jackson	Abrielle LeBlanc	Wes MacLeod	Lashauna Parker
Holly Pilson	Bet Preslar	April Radford	Karen Schraml	Allen Serkin
Andrea Stough	Dawn Tucker	Caylee Weaver		

**Other Guests:**

See attached list.

**1. Call to Order and Welcome:**

Mr. Forte called the meeting to order at 6:20 PM. Mr. Thompson welcomed everyone to Brunswick County.

**2. Invocation and Pledge:**

Mr. Cooke gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Serkin confirmed quorum by taking attendance. Mr. Forte thanked all elected officials, their supporting staff, the Cape Fear Council of Governments staff and all Clerks.

**3. Approval of Agenda:**

Mr. Forte asked if there were any amendments to the agenda. There were no changes.

**4. Approval of February 23, 2023 Minutes:**

Mr. Forte asked if there were amendments to the February 23, 2023, minutes. There being none, a motion was made by Mr. Forte, seconded by Mr. Joyner, to accept the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

**5. Election of Officers and Municipal Executive Committee members:**

Mr. Serkin presented the nominating committee's slate of officers and at-large Executive Committee members.

**Executive Committee Automatic Members:**

- Mike Forte, Brunswick County
- Lavern Coleman, Columbus County
- Bill Rivenbark, New Hanover County
- Jackie Newton, Pender County

**Officers:**

- Chair: Mike Forte, Brunswick County
- Vice-Chair: Brenda Bozeman, Leland
- Secretary-Treasurer: Lynn Barbee, Leland

**Members:**

- Brenda Bozeman, Brunswick County Municipal (Leland)
- Lamont Grate, Columbus County Municipal (Tabor City)
- Lynn Barbee, New Hanover County Municipal (Wilmington)
- Jan Dawson, Pender County Municipal (Burgaw)
- Teresa Batts, Municipal At-Large (Surf City)

Mr. Forte asked if there were any additional nominees from the floor. There being none, a motion was made by Mr. Kassler, seconded by Ms. Pait, to elect the officers and at-large Executive Committee members as nominated by the nominating committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Forte thanked all for their faith in him continuing to lead the Cape Fear Council of Governments Executive Committee as the Chair.

**6. Public Officials Directory and Annual Report presentation:**

Mr. Serkin presented the CFCOG 2024 Public Officials Directory and the Annual Report. There were no comments.

Mr. Forte acknowledged the passing of regional representatives during 2023 and asked for a moment of silent respect for Tim Burgess (New Hanover Co. Manager), Milton Burns (Navassa Councilman), Wannetta Carlton (Wallace Mayor Pro-Tem), Judy Galloway (former Varnamtown Mayor), Deb Hays (New Hanover County Commissioner), and Sarah Knox (former Boardman Alderman).

**7. Delegate Comments and Open Discussion:**

Mr. Forte asked if there were any comments or questions from the board. Mr. Forte thanked the CFCOG staff for all their hard work. There were no further comments.

**8. Adjourn:**

Mr. Forte reminded the board the next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 13, 2024, at 11:00 AM at the Cape Fear Council of Governments. A motion was made by Mr. Merrill, seconded by Ms. White to adjourn. Meeting adjourned the meeting at 6:39 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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April D. Radford, Clerk to the Board

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Mike Forte, Chairman



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<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Title</b>
Kyle Abrams	HS - Cape Fear Continuum of Care	Board Chair
Laura Abrams	HS - Cape Fear Continuum of Care	guest
Mike Allen	Belville	Mayor
Michelyn Alston	Navassa	Town Clerk
Lisa Anglin	Sunset Beach	Town Administrator
William Ballard	Navassa	Councilman
Sylvester Ballard	Northwest	Councilman
Melissa Barton	CFWDB - Tri-Tech Forensics, Inc.	Stroud & Company - CPA
Eric Barton	CFWDB - Tri-Tech Forensics, Inc.	Vice-President
Jason Black	HS - Coastal Horizons	Program Director
Mitchell Bloomer, Ph.D.	CFWDB - UNCW	Director Continuing & Prof. Education
Chuck Bost	Belville	Mayor Pro-Tem
Krystal Bowen	Northwest	Councilwoman
Rose Braam	Oak Island	Administrative Support Specialist II
Kyle Breuer	Surf City	Town Manager
Phillip Britt	Chadbourn	Mayor
Daniel L. Brown	Bolton	Alderman
Bob Campbell	Leland	Mayor Pro-Tem
Charles Carroll	Northwest	Councilman
Susan Carroll	Northwest	guest
Terri Cartner	Oak Island	Councilmember
Tony Caudle	Wilmington	City Manager
Carla Citarelli	Surf City	Town Clerk
Bob Ciuillo	Oak Island	Councilmember
Janet Coleman	Legal Aid of NC - Senior Law Project	Staff Attorney
Daniel Conte	Carolina Shores	Mayor
Martin Cooke	Brunswick County	Commissioner
Catherine Cooke	Brunswick County	guest
Lindsay Cooley	AAA -BSRI	Chief Finance Officer
Bill Craft	Oak Island	Councilmember
Wes Davis	AAA - Pender Adult Services	Executive Director
Jayne Davis	AAA - Pender Adult Services	guest
Olivia Dawson	Burgaw	Mayor
David DeLong	Saint James	Mayor Pro-Tem
Arlene DeLong	Saint James	guest
Ida Dixon	Navassa	Councilwoman
Gail Edwards	Columbus County	Assistant County Manager
Jason W. Elleby	Brunswick	Commissioner
Leigh Ann Forte	Brunswick County	guest
James Gantt	Burgaw	Town Manager
Jerry D. Groves	Pender County	Commissioner



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Leonard Hall	Sandyfield	Councilman
Billy Hammond	Fair Bluff	Mayor
Michael Hargreaves	Sunset Beach	Councilman
Judy Hargreaves	Sunset Beach	guest
Josh Harris	Whiteville	Council Member
Alicia Hawley	Surf City	Councilwoman
Adam Hawley	Surf City	guest
Beverly Hedgebeth	AAA NHC CAC Community	guest
Mary Hewett	Bolivia	Clerk
Nicole "Niki" Hewett	Carolina Shores	Clerk
Brenda Hewlett	Belville	Administrative Assistant
Jim Hock	Burgaw	Assistant Manager
Richard Holloman	Leland	Councilmember
Tim Holloman	LCFW&SA	Director
Betsy Holloman	LCFW&SA	guest
Barbara Kassler	Caswell Beach	guest
Selma Keaton	Sandyfield	guest
Rebecca Kelley	Southport	Mayor Pro-Tem
Nancy Kelly	Oak Island	guest
David Kelly	Oak Island	Town Manager
John Koloski	Surf City	Councilman
Frank Lai	Southport	Alderman
Chance Lambeth	Office of Congressman David Rouzer	District Director
Anita Langin	AAA -BSRI	Accounting Technician
Debbie Lasek	Oak Island	Human Resources Officer
Elsa Lawrence	Navassa	guest
Deb LeCompte	Carolina Beach	Mayor Pro-Tem
Ginger Littrell	Lake Waccamaw	guest
Justin Lovin	Boiling Spring Lakes	Commissioner
LaTonyia Lowe	Navassa	Councilwoman
Eddie Madden	Columbus County	County Manager
James Malloy	Burgaw	Mayor Pro-Tem
Terry Mann	Whiteville	Mayor
Becky Marshburn	AAA - Pender Adult Services	guest
Ricky Mason	Brunswick	Commissioner
Jennifer Mathews	AAA - Pender Adult Services	Senior Ctr Coord./SHIIP Counselor
Beverly Mayhew	Carolina Shores	Commissioner
Chris McCall	Bald Head Island	Village Manager
Chad McEwen	Wilmington	City Deputy Manager
Bill McHugh	Leland	Councilmember



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Jerry Merrick	Navassa	Mayor Pro-Tem
Cynthia Mitchell	Bolton	Alderwoman
Nicole Morgan	Boiling Spring Lakes	Assistant Manager
Karen E. Mosteller	Southport	Alderman
Teresa Muchler-Nogi	AAA -BSRI	Aging Resources Compliance Tech.
Jana Nealey	Columbus County	Clerk to the Board
Sharon A. Niemann	Belville	Town Clerk
Tess Norris	Columbus County	Grant Administrator
Michael Pearsall	Burgaw	Commissioner
Cecelia Peers	HS - Trillium Health Resources	Southern Regional Vice-President
Danielle Pierce	Caswell Beach	guest
Joseph Pierce	Caswell Beach	Town Manager
Michael Price	Calabash	Town Administrator
Debbie Prince	Cerro Gordo	guest
Amanda Prince	Columbus County	Staff Attorney
Missy Rhodes	Leland	Assistant Manager
Francisco Rivas-Diaz	Wallace	Mayor Pro-Tem
William G. Rivenbark	Burgaw	Commissioner
Kim Rivenbark	Burgaw	Deputy Clerk
Charlie Rivenbark	Wilmington	Council Member
Jennifer Sherman, Ph. D.	AAA -BSRI	Chief Compliance Officer
Kimberly Sherwood	Boiling Spring Lakes	Commissioner
Jessica Smith	AAA - Pender Adult Services	Accounts Receivable
Trudy Solomon	Surf City	Councilwoman
Daralyn Spivey	Brunswick County	Clerk
David Stanley	Brunswick County	Deputy County Manager
Leslie Stanley	Brunswick County	Volunteer/Non-profit Coord.
Randy Stevenson	Varnamtown	Mayor Pro-Tem
Lisa Stites	Oak Island	Clerk
Steve Stone	Brunswick County	County Manager
Susan Stone	Brunswick County	guest
Patricia Sykes	Brunswick County	Commissioner
René Tarquinio	AAA -BSRI	Senior Aging Resource Specialist
Scott Thomas	Bald Head Island	Councilor
Randy Thompson	Brunswick County	Chairman
Sharon Thompson	Brunswick County	guest
Michael Troy	Northwest	Councilman
Linda Troy	Northwest	guest
Marlene Vandergrift	Carolina Shores	Commissioner
Ruth Waddell	Bolton	Alderwoman
Luke Waddell	Wilmington	Councilman

  
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Josh Ward	Tabor City	Interim Town Manager
Debbie Watts	Carolina Shores	Commissioner
Kristin Wells	Burgaw	Clerk
Athina Williams	Belville	Town Manager
Frank Williams	Brunswick County	Commissioner
Donna Williamson	Shalotte	guest
Frank Wilson	Bolton	Finance Officer
Yvette Wright	AAA NHC CAC Community	
Rob Zapple	New Hanover County	Commissioner





**Serving Local Government in:**

**Brunswick County**

- Bald Head Island
- Belville
- Boiling Spring Lakes
- Bolivia
- Calabash
- Carolina Shores
- Caswell Beach
- Holden Beach
- Leland
- Navassa
- Northwest
- Oak Island
- Ocean Isle Beach
- Sandy Creek
- Shalotte
- Southport
- St. James
- Sunset Beach

**Columbus County**

- Bolton
- Brunswick
- Cerro Gordo
- Chadbourn
- Fair Bluff
- Lake Waccamaw
- Sandyfield
- Tabor City
- Whiteville

**New Hanover County**

- Carolina Beach
- Kure Beach
- Wilmington
- Wrightsville Beach

**Pender County**

- Atkinson
- Burgaw
- Surf City
- Topsail Beach
- Wallace



**2025 Executive Committee Automatic Members**

- Mike Forte .....Brunswick County
- Lavern Coleman .....Columbus County
- Stephanie Walker.....New Hanover County
- Brent Springer .....Pender County

**2025 Executive Committee Municipal Nominees**

- Brenda Bozeman .....Brunswick Co. Municipal (Leland)
- Lamont Grate.....Columbus Co. Municipal (Tabor City)
- Lynn Barbee .....New Hanover Co. Municipal (Carolina Beach)
- Jan Dawson.....Pender Co. Municipal (Burgaw)
- Teresa Batts.....Municipal At-Large (Surf City)

**2025 CFCOG General Membership Officer Nominees**

- Chair.....Mike Forte
- Vice- Chair.....Brenda Bozeman
- Secretary-Treasurer .....Lynn Barbee