

Cape Fear Council of Governments
ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

February 29, 2024

MINUTES

Delegates Present:

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| 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:

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| 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:

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| 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 Marty Cooke, seconded by Charlie Rivenbark, 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, Carolina Beach

Members:

- Brenda Bozeman, Brunswick County Municipal (Leland)
- Lamont Grate, Columbus County Municipal (Tabor City)
- Lynn Barbee, New Hanover County Municipal (Carolina Beach)
- 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 Mr. Mann, 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,


April D. Radford, Clerk to the Board


Mike Forte, Chairman



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| Name | Organization | Title |
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| 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 Ciullo | 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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| Teagan P. Hall | Boiling Spring Lakes | Commissioner |
| 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 | Shallotte | guest |
| Frank Wilson | Bolton | Finance Officer |
| Yvette Wright | AAA NHC CAC Community | |
| Rob Zapple | New Hanover County | Commissioner |
