

TOWN OF SUNSET BEACH
Town Council Agenda Items

Meeting Date: January 7, 2013

Agenda Item Number: 4d

Subject: Consideration of Adoption of the Pier Head Alignment Ordinance

Summary of Information: Given that a moratorium may be illegal in this case because it involves residential property, and there is no firm answer yet, it may be wise to adopt a Pier Head Alignment Ordinance now, which would prevent any possible interference of piers with the navigational channel of the “feeder canal”. After doing so, then the Council can pursue a local bill for establishing a canal dredging fee district. Getting that approved by the General Assembly may take until the summer. Mike has written and spoken with Senator Rabon who assured Mike that he would help us.

If such a district were established, then the Town could impose fees on property owners along the canals benefitting from the dredging. Under the local bill the Town would be authorized to charge the fee and do the dredging without the necessity of a petition from the owners. Then a special dredging district ordinance or resolution could be adopted; one has been adopted by the nearby towns of Ocean Isle Beach and Holden Beach under authorization of a local bill, HB1734, to which other towns have been added, as could we.

Attachments: () Yes (X) No

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