

**NC Coastal Resources Advisory Council
Sheraton
Atlantic Beach, NC
January 25, 2006
Meeting Summary**

Attendance

Robert Shupe (Chair)	J. Michael Moore
Bill Morrison (Vice Chair)	Wayne Mobley
Frank Alexander	David Nash
Deborah Anderson	Lee Padrick
Gene Balance	Spencer Rogers
Joseph Beck	Dara Royal
Harold Blizzard	Lester Simpson
Eddy Davis	Brandon Shoaf
Gary Ferguson (for Ginger Webster)	David Stanley (for Don Yousey)
Webb Fuller	Mike Street
Renee Gledhill-Earley	Jim Spain (replacing Ann Holton)
Gary Greene	Penny Tysinger
Judy Hills	Beans Weatherly
Al Hodge	Dave Weaver
Ann Holton	William Wescott
Joe Lassiter	Rhett White
Travis Marshall	Traci White
Gary Mercer	

Council Call to Order

Bob Shupe called the meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm. Chairman Shupe noted that there has been a significant change in Advisory Council membership. Shupe welcomed the newly appointed members as well as the “old” members.

Announcements

Mike Street announced that a new CHPP publication – *Implementing the NC Coastal Habitat Protection Plan 2005*, was now available. The document details the actions to be taken by the Marine Fisheries, Coastal Resources and Environmental Management Commissions over the next two years to implement the CHPP recommendations. The document also summarizes the six habitats contained within the CHPP. Street also noted that copies of the CHPP on CD as well as a past publication are also available.

Elections

Bob Shupe stated that the Council has received the recommendation of the CRAC Officers Nominations Committee for a slate of officers (Bill Morrison as Chair, Dara Royal as Vice-Chair) to be considered for the 2006 calendar year. A motion was made and seconded to nominate Bill Morrison for Chair and Dara Royal as Vice Chair. Shupe called for additional nominations from the floor. Hearing none, Shupe called for a vote and the slate of officers was approved unanimously.

Shupe thanked Bill and Dara for volunteering to serve. He asked that the Council members look back on their past accomplishments and think about what can be done in the coming year. Shupe noted that the CRC is eager to hear suggestions from the CRAC and asked Council members give careful consideration to topics for future meetings.

CRAC Orientation

DCM staff provided Council members with an orientation to the Division, CAMA, the CRC as well as what to expect at CRC meetings.

CRC Chair Charge to the Council

Courtney Hackney, CRC Chairman, addressed the Advisory Council noting their responsibilities under CAMA as well as their responsibility to provide detailed knowledge not always available to the Commission. Chairman Hackney stated that Council members are often in the business or represent local governments and can bring a perspective needed by the Commission in policy and rule development. Hackney stated that CRAC involvement in rule development increases the likelihood of avoiding conflicts and errors. He further added that it is necessary to continue and increase the amount of public involvement in rule development. Hackney noted that the degree of two-way communication with local government needs to increase and charged the Council members with ensuring that they inform their appointing bodies of what transpires at Commission meetings and to also inform the CRC of the reaction.

The Council then discussed issues of concern with Chairman Hackney including sand bags, the buffer rule and the need to think strategically in dealing with the increased development pressures being experienced on the coast.

Having no further business, the Council adjourned at 5:00 pm.