

## **WILMINGTON/NEW HANOVER PORT, WATERWAY & BEACH COMMISSION**

### **Number of Members:** 17

6 Appointed by County Commissioners

Categories: Shipping, Commerce and Finance, Terminals and Industry, Environmental Concerns, Tourism, County representative on the NC Beach, Inlet, and Waterway Association, and County Commissioner

5 Appointed by City Council

Categories: Engineering and Development, Business, Transportation, Member at Large, and Council member

Mayor of Wrightsville Beach or designee

Mayor of Carolina Beach or designee

Mayor of Kure Beach or designee

Ex-Officio Members: N.C. State Ports Authority Executive Director or designee, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director or designee, and Figure 8 Homeowners' Association President or designee

**Term of Office:** 3 years

**Regular Meetings:** The second Wednesday of each month, at 4:00 p.m. in the Finance Conference Room #500, at the New Hanover County Government Center, 230 Government Center Drive, Wilmington, NC.

**Statute or cause creating Commission:** County Commissioners endorsed the formation of this Commission on 12/16/1974. (Minute Book 16, page 67) The County Commissioners assigned the Commission the responsibility of studying and preparing recommendations for the best use of the Room Occupancy Tax Funds to be presented to them for approval. The Commissioners expanded the membership by adding a Kure Beach representative on 4/16/1984 (Minute Book 19). Furthermore, the Commissioners added a member of the NC Shore & Beach Preservation on 5/16/2005, County Finance Director as special appointee on 2/16/2004, and the Figure 8 Homeowners Association president or designee as an ex-officio member on 7/1/2013.

**Purpose of Commission:** To investigate, initiate, and support general water resource development projects to include but not limited to:

1. Port, waterway and river improvements supporting the shipping industry;
2. Beach nourishment and conservation in conjunction with inlet management; and
3. Water resource development projects that will serve industry; encourage tourism; commercial/charter fishing; recreational boating and mitigate the threats of storms and flooding

**Brief on Functions:** The Commission will cooperate closely with the U.S. Corps of Engineers, the N.C. Division of Water Resources and other federal and state agencies in the pursuit of projects that may benefit our community. The Commission will also work with elected officials including federal and state officials and such groups as the NC Water Resources Congress and NCBIWA in order to obtain support, approval, and funding as appropriate. The Commission will pursue these projects with full consideration of potential environmental effects. Finally, the Commission will make every effort to fully inform and provide recommendations to the County Commissioners, Wilmington City Council, and Beach Town Councils.

| CURRENT MEMBERS  | CATEGORY                                | TERM OF OFFICE                                   |                               |
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|  |   | APPOINTMENT                                      | EXPIRATION                    |
| Woody White<br>230 Government Center Drive,<br>Suite 175, Wilmington, NC 28403<br>910-798-7149 (NHC)                                     | <b>County<br/>Commissioner</b>          | 1/7/19; 12/16/19                                 | Undesignated                  |
| Dennis Barbour, Chairman<br>511 Clarendon Boulevard<br>Carolina Beach, NC 28428<br>910-458-5043 (H) 910-470-5041 (C)<br>910-458-3049 (W) | NC Beach and<br>Waterway<br>Association | First 2/17/14<br>Second 2/20/17<br>Third 2/17/20 | 2/28/17<br>2/28/20<br>2/28/23 |
| Robert P. Divoky<br>5252 Woods Edge Road<br>Wilmington, NC 28409<br>910-792-1260 (H) 910-232-2204 (C)                                    | Shipping                                | First 2/19/18                                    | 2/28/21                       |
| Donald E. Harris<br>213 Dorchester Place<br>Wilmington, NC 28412<br>910-796-9696 (H) 910-617-8844 (C)                                    | Commerce and<br>Finance                 | First 2/18/19                                    | 2/28/22                       |
| Harry M. Knight<br>3225 Aster Court<br>Wilmington, NC 28409<br>910-398-7090 (C) 910-794-4956 (H)   | Environmental<br>Concerns               | First 2/17/20                                    | 2/28/23                       |
| Eve Phillips<br>715 Glenarthur Dr.<br>Wilmington, NC 28412<br>910-742-9535 (C) 910-819-4956(W)   | Terminals and<br>Industry               | First 2/20/17<br>Second 2/17/20                  | 2/28/20<br>2/28/23            |
| <b>Wilmington Representatives</b>  |   |  |                               |
| Neal Andrew, Vice-chair<br>3811 Peachtree Ave., Suite 300<br>Wilmington, NC 28403  |   | First 8/16/16                                    | 2/28/19                       |
| Kevin P. Flowers<br>1913 Nun St.<br>Wilmington, NC 28403<br>910-850-1065 (H) 910-344-0323 (C)  |   | First 2/21/17                                    | 2/28/20                       |
| James Hundley, Jr.<br>909 Rabbit Run<br>Wilmington, NC 28409<br>(910) 612-0972 (H/C) (910) 799-2295 (W)                                  |   | First 6/21/16                                    | 2/28/19                       |
| Kevin Spears, Councilman<br>P.O. Box 1810<br>Wilmington, NC 28402-1810<br>910-547-6304   | Wilmington City<br>Council              | 12/19  | Undesignated                  |

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| Gregory L. Washington<br>1305 South 5th Avenue<br>Wilmington, NC 28401<br>910-622-5421 (C) 910-762-8231 (W)  |   | First 10/15/13<br>Second 6/21/16 | 2/28/16<br>2/28/19 |
| <b>Beach Town Representatives</b>  |   |                                  |                    |
| Council Member Steve Shuttleworth<br>1121 N. Lake Park Boulevard<br>Carolina Beach, NC 28428<br>910-458-2992 Office                                  | Carolina Beach  | Appointed 12/15                  | Undesignated       |
| Town Commissioner Allen Oliver<br>117 Settlers Lane<br>Kure Beach, NC 28449<br>458-8216 Town Hall<br>919-225-1143 (C)                                | Kure Beach<br>designee  | Appointed<br>1/10/18             | Undesignated       |
| Mayor Darryl Mills<br>104 Lees Cut<br>Wrightsville Beach, NC 28480<br>910-256-7900 WB Office   | Wrightsville<br>Beach   | Appointed<br>12/13               | Undesignated       |
| <b>Other Representatives</b>   |   |                                  |                    |
| Natalie English, President/CEO<br>Greater Wilmington Chamber of<br>Commerce<br>One Estell Lee Drive<br>Wilmington, NC 28401<br>910-762-2611 Office   | Chamber<br>Liaison  | 7/2016                           | Undesignated       |
| Todd C. Walton, Environmental<br>Supervisor<br>North Carolina State Ports Authority<br>P. O. Box 9002<br>Wilmington, NC 28402<br>910-251-5678 Office | State Ports<br>Ex-Officio<br>Member                           | 1/9/12                           | Undesignated       |
| David Kellam<br>Figure 8 Homeowners Association<br>15 Bridge Road<br>Wilmington, NC 28411<br>910-686-0635 (W)  | Figure 8<br>Homeowners<br>Association<br>Ex-Officio<br>Member | 7/1/13                           | Undesignated       |
| Lisa Wurtzbacher, Chief Financial<br>Officer<br>230 Government Center Drive,<br>Suite 165<br>Wilmington, NC 28403<br>910-798-7187 / 910-798-7161     | NHC Staff<br>Liaison/Special<br>Appointee                     | 7/12                             | Undesignated       |

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| <b>Staff Support</b><br>H. Layton Bedsole, Jr., REM.<br>New Hanover County Engineering<br>230 Government Center Drive<br>Wilmington, NC 28403<br>910-798-7104 Office | NHC Shore<br>Protection<br>Coordinator | 11/12          | Undesignated<br><br>File: /Port<br>Revised<br>02/2020 |