From:

Susan Thompson <312833@msn.com>

Sent:

Saturday, October 14, 2023 8:05 AM

Heather Finnell; Heather Finnell

To: Subject:

Comment on agenda for Tuesdays meeting

I'm all for paid parking year round with the exception of the weekends when festivals occur, as well Christmas and Thanksgiving. There is no reason to have people ticketing and having to work during those days when many businesses are already closed.

Also, please put area tolerant plantings around present and future public bathrooms. Ask the garden club to take that project on as they do a beautiful job. Thanks you

Sent from my iPad Susan Thompson 1237 Ocean Blvd W

From: Sent: Tara Roberts <tara@the3roberts.com>

To:

Sunday, October 15, 2023 8:01 AM Heather Finnell

Subject:

paid parking

Good morning,

I am a local and live in Lockwood Folly. We moved closer to the ocean so we could go everyday whenever we want, but the town of Holden has made it very hard on people who live right over the bridge to come all the time. It's expensive just to walk the beach whenever we want. We now hardly ever come because of the cost. I know that is the same for so many of people who live so very close and pay some of these taxes. Please reconsider and do not make the paid parking year-round. Holden beach is special but not that special. We can go to any beach and pay to park nothing special. Please consider a discount to local residents also.

Thanks for your consideration Tara Roberts

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From: Drake Lanier <heavenlyheathotsauce@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 15, 2023 10:57 AM

To: Heather Finnell

Subject: Year round paid parking

The greed of Holden Beach continues to amaze me!

I have a house in Supply and love the beach. However because I cannot afford a muti- million dollar house on Holden Beach you're going to penalize me for just visiting the beach?? Ridiculous!

Drake Lanier

From: tmmyers@atmc.net

Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 9:04 AM

To: alan@alanholdenrealty.com; 'Rick Smith'; 'Brian Murdock'; drpagedyer@gmail.com;

arnold.geraldnc@me.com

Cc: Heather Finnell

Subject: Comments on October BOC meeting agenda item #10

Dear Mayor and Commissioners,

Agenda item #10 includes a budget amendment to spend an additional \$261,753 out of our savings in the BPART fund. As you know, the current Town budget already calls for spending more than \$1,270,000 from our savings. This amendment will increase that amount by over 20%.

The ADA Arbitration Resolution that is forcing us to do this work was signed in April, so I am disappointed we didn't adequately plan for this expense in the current budget. While an exact amount may not have been known in April, a good estimate could have been developed before the budget was adopted in June.

I am also disappointed that we are choosing to dip into our savings rather than reducing or deferring other expenses in the budget.

Using savings to cover project overruns and unexpected expenses is not a sustainable strategy since it could eventually use up all our available fund balances, and we have been saving this money for future beach nourishment and true "rainy day" purposes.

Best regards, Tom Myers 301 OBW