

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF THE
ONslow WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY**

The Articles of Incorporation of the Onslow Water and Sewer Authority, an authority organized under the provisions of the North Carolina Water and Sewer Authorities Act, being Article 1 of Chapter 162A of the General Statutes of North Carolina, as amended, by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Onslow, North Carolina, the City Council of the City of Jacksonville, North Carolina, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Swansboro, North Carolina, the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Richlands, North Carolina, the Board of Aldermen of the Town of North Topsail Beach, North Carolina, and the Town Council of the Town of Holly Ridge, North Carolina, are as follows:

- (1) The name of such authority shall be the ONSLOW WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY (hereinafter referred to as the "Authority").
- (2) The Authority is organized under Section 162A-3. of the North Carolina Water and Sewer Authorities Act, as amended.
- (3) The names of the organizing political subdivisions of the Authority are the County of Onslow, North Carolina, the City of Jacksonville, North Carolina, the Town of Swansboro, North Carolina, the Town of Richlands, North Carolina, the Town of North Topsail Beach, North Carolina, and the Town of Holly Ridge, North Carolina.
- (4) The Authority may create an Advisory Council or other Advisory groups as deemed necessary by the Authority.
- (5) The Authority shall have all powers, rights, and responsibilities granted by the General Statutes of the State of North Carolina, section 162A.

- (6) The Board of Directors of the Authority initially shall have eight members, two appointed by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Onslow, North Carolina, two appointed by the City Council of the City of Jacksonville, North Carolina, one appointed by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Swansboro, North Carolina, one appointed by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Richlands, North Carolina, one appointed by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of North Topsail Beach, North Carolina, one appointed by the Town Council of the Town of Holly Ridge, North Carolina. Only elected officials of the governing bodies of member political subdivisions may be appointed to the Board of Directors of the Onslow Water and Sewer Authority.

The names and addresses of the first members of the Authority appointed by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Onslow, North Carolina, are:

Mr. Anthony M. Padgett, 391 Foy Lockamy Road, Jacksonville, NC 28540 and

Mr. Ernest J. Wright, 2 West Bayshore Boulevard, Jacksonville, NC 28540

The names and addresses of the first members of the Authority appointed by the City Council of the City of Jacksonville, North Carolina, are:

Mr. Ron Ellen, 796 River Drive, Jacksonville, NC 28541 and

Ms. Elsie Smith, 106 Pelletier Place, Jacksonville, NC 28540

The name and address of the first member of the Authority appointed by the Board of Commissioners for the Town of Swansboro, North Carolina, is:

Mr. Paul Edgerton, P. O. Box 1241, Swansboro, NC 28584

The name and address of the first member of the Authority appointed by the Board of Aldermen for the Town of Richlands, North Carolina, is:

Mr. Marvin Trott, P. O. Box 7, Richlands, NC 28574

The name and address of the first member of the Authority appointed by the Board of Aldermen for the Town of North Topsail Beach, North Carolina, is:

Mr. Steve Smith, 53 Bermuda Landing Place, North Topsail Beach, NC 28460

The name and address of the first member of the Authority appointed by the Town Council of the Town of Holly Ridge, North Carolina, is:

Mr. Elvin Summerlin, P. O. Box 743, Holly Ridge, NC 28445

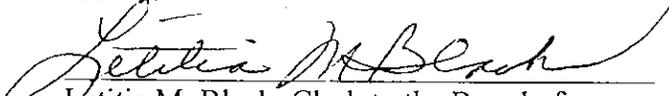
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Onslow County, North Carolina, has caused these Articles of Incorporation to be executed by the Chairman of its Board of Commissioners and its corporate seal to be affixed hereto and attested by the Clerk to said Board, the City of Jacksonville, North Carolina, has caused these Articles of Incorporation to be executed by its Mayor and its corporate seal to be affixed hereto and attested by its City Clerk, the Town of Swansboro, North Carolina, has caused these Articles of Incorporation to be executed by its Mayor and its corporate seal to be affixed hereto and attested by its Town Clerk, The Town of Richlands, North Carolina, has caused these Articles of Incorporation to be executed by its Mayor and its corporate seal to be affixed hereto and attested by its Town Clerk, the Town of North Topsail Beach, North Carolina, has caused these Articles of Incorporation to be executed by its Mayor and its corporate seal to be affixed hereto and attested by its Town Clerk, the Town of Holly Ridge, North Carolina, has caused these Articles of Incorporation to be executed by its Mayor and its corporate

seal to be affixed hereto and attested by its Town Clerk, all as of this the 26th day of
April, 2000.

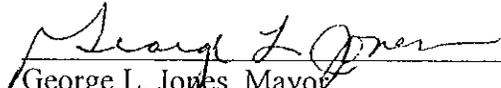


Anthony M. Padgett, Chairman Board of
Commissioner, Onslow County, North Carolina

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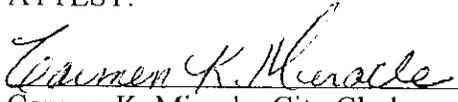


Letitia M. Black, Clerk to the Board of
Commissioners for Onslow County,
North Carolina

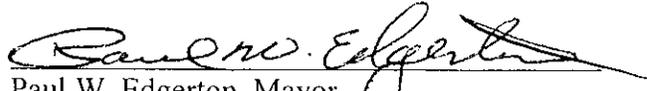


George L. Jones, Mayor
City of Jacksonville, North Carolina

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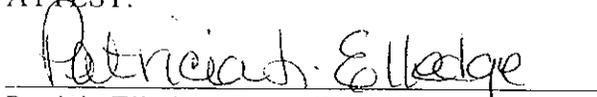


Carmen K. Miracle, City Clerk
City of Jacksonville, North Carolina



Paul W. Edgerton, Mayor
Town of Swansboro, North Carolina

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Patricia Elledge, Town Clerk
Town of Swansboro, North Carolina

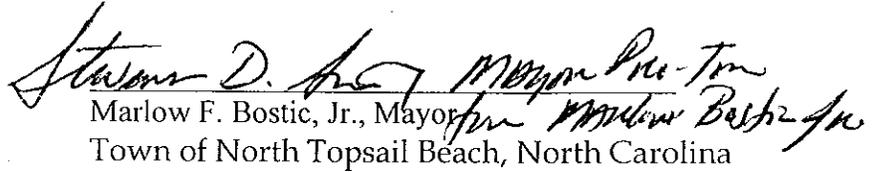


Marvin Trott, Mayor
Town of Richlands, North Carolina

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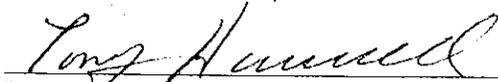


Eva Brown, Town Clerk
Town of Richlands, North Carolina

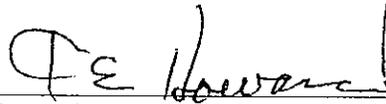


Marlow F. Bostic, Jr., Mayor
Town of North Topsail Beach, North Carolina

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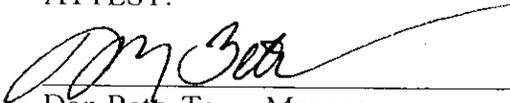


Tony Hammond, Town Manager
Town of North Topsail Beach, North Carolina



Kenneth Howard, Mayor
Town of Holly Ridge, North Carolina

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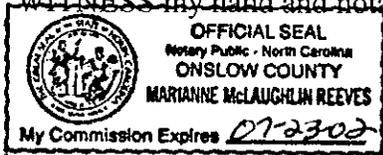
Don Betz, Town Manager
Town of Holly Ridge, North Carolina

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF ONSLOW

I, Marianne McLaughlin Reeves, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, certify that Letitia M. Black, Carmen K. Miracle, Patricia Elledge, and Eva Brown personally came before me this day and acknowledged that they are the Clerks to the Board of Commissioners for Onslow County, the City of Jacksonville, the Town of Swansboro, and the Town of Richlands, North Carolina, respectively, and that by authority duly given and by the acts of their units of government, the foregoing instrument was signed in its name by the chief elected official of her unit of government, sealed with its seal, and attested by herself as the Clerk of her unit of government.

WITNESS my hand and notarial seal, this 26th day of April, 2000.



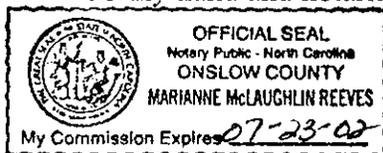
Marianne McLaughlin Reeves
Notary Public

My commission expires: July 23, 2002.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF ONSLOW

I, Marianne McLaughlin Reeves, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, certify that Tony Hammond and Don Betz personally came before me this day and acknowledged that they are the Town Managers of the Town of North Topsail Beach and Holly Ridge, North Carolina, respectively and that by authority duly given and by the acts of their units of government, the foregoing instrument was signed in its name by the chief elected official of his unit of government, sealed with its seal, and attested by himself as the Town Manager of his unit of government.

WITNESS my hand and notarial seal, this 26th day of April, 2000.



Marianne McLaughlin Reeves
Notary Public

My commission expires: July 23, 2002.