

**Pass?**

# REPORT CARD

**After one year in office how do the new councilmen's promises measure up?**

The following are direct quotes of promises made by our new Councilmen during their campaign. Do your own checklist and see if you feel they have made good on their commitments to you and our community?

**Fail?**

## Bill Clark

- "Oust the previous Mayor and two Councilmen."  **Pass**
- "Formulating and building action plans that includes input from residents, business people, property owners, town staff, and community organizations in an effort to establish a forward direction for our town."  **Fail**
- "Establish a forward direction for a long-term growth plan that does not completely compromise our unique town's character and quality of life."  **Fail**
- "Make sure the Council-Manager form of government is working as designed."  **Fail**
- "Planned growth which includes building height / density controls including the central business districts and Boardwalk revitalization."  **Fail**
- "Search for more recreation opportunities that complement growth. Seek out for culture and family entertainment and family oriented recreation."  **Fail**
- Provide "Clear accountability of our infrastructure's ability to support growth as well as maintaining quality in that same infrastructure."  **Fail**
- Complete "A land use plan that is approved with full opportunity for public input."  **Fail**
- Formulate "A complete plan for the central business district and the Boardwalk."  **Fail**

## Jerry Johnson

- "I shall strive toward these issues:"**
- "Central Business District Revitalization."  **Fail**
- "Infrastructure (water, sewer, stormwater and streets) concerns. Stormwater management and drainage problems."  **Fail**
- "Open communication with citizens."  **Fail**
- "Sidewalks: repair and bring into ADA compliance."  **Fail**
- "Reduce property tax rate."  **Fail**
- "Funding for Carolina Beach Inlet, Intracoastal waterway maintenance..."  **Fail**
- "Try to attract a quality family amusement park..."  **Fail**
- "The Town needs to look at building its own parking deck. I don't think large developments can take shape if they are not designed to take care of their own parking."  **Fail**
- "We need to look at the possibility of hiring a lobbyist to work for Federal Funds as Wrightsville Beach does."  **Fail**

## Alan Gilbert

- "Develop a comprehensive master development plan with a strong focus on economic development with ratification by the voting public."  **Fail**
- Achieve "Economic development with a focus on the Boardwalk." "Renewal, Refurbishment, and Revitalization of the Boardwalk is critical to the core identity of Carolina Beach."  **Fail**
- "...attract commercial ventures through incentives, which will integrate and enhance the present Boardwalk into a facility to attract and entertain visitors..."  **Fail**
- Provide "Free parking for residents at meters..."  **Fail**
- Provide "...recreation facilities like fountains, playgrounds and parks in the Boardwalk area for recreational use will stimulate commerce and act as entertainment for visitors and residents alike."  **Fail**
- "...Use funds from Freeman Park to install parks and recreation in the Central Business District. Initiate true Small Business incentives to lessen the costs for new preferably year round businesses."  **Fail**
- "Initiate a complete traffic study of Carolina Beach, Kure and Ft. Fisher, not just the CBD, use directional signs to route seasonal traffic to popular attraction relieving congestion in the areas described."  **Fail**
- "As the largest town park we need to make sure the (Freeman Park) revenues are put back into the Parks and Recreation Fund instead of the General Fund so all the recreation facilities on the island will benefit."  **Fail**
- "Infrastructure improvement through applying capital improvement funds, storm water and sewer fees, and aggressively pursuing funding grants and bonds."  **Fail**

*While we do not agree on some issues, and we realize each and every one of these promises could not have been accomplished within the first year, the fact that they have failed to implement, much less achieve, any of these promises is troubling. One year in office - what have they done?*

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