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Councilman Richard Reid, Councilman Ervin Bateman, Mayor Clifton Perry, Mayor Pro Tem Gary Perry, and Councilwoman Emilie Klutz

authority on planning matters. The Council also appoints members to other boards and committees.

The residents of the Town are represented by a five member Town Council. Prior to the election held in 2005, the members of the Town Council elected a Mayor from within the Council. In 2004, a ballot initiative for the direct election of a Mayor was passed by the voters of Kitty Hawk. Beginning in 2005, the voters will select the Mayor by direct election. Members of the Council are elected to four year terms, and these terms are staggered.

The Council meets on the first Monday evening of each month at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall. They make all local policies and have the final decision-making

Anyone may speak at a Town Council meeting on any subject matter during the Public Comment portion of the meeting. During the Public Hearing portion of the Town Council meetings, interested parties may speak on the specific planning item or zoning issue that is on the agenda. Please sign up with Town Clerk Lynn Morris before speaking so that she may enter your name into the record.

The Council members can receive mail at their home mailing address or at Town Hall. If mailing a letter to them at Town Hall, the address is PO Box 549, Kitty Hawk, NC 27949. To send an email to the members of the Town Council click [here](#).

**Council Profiles****Clifton Perry, Mayor**

The Town Council appointed Mr. Perry to the Planning Board in June of 1986. He served on the Planning Board until 1987 when he was elected to the Town Council. In 1989, Mr. Perry was elected as Mayor by a vote of the Town Council and served in that capacity until 2001. From 2001 to 2005 Mr. Perry served on the Town Council. In 2005, Mayor Perry became the first mayor to ever be popularly elected by the voters of Kitty Hawk.

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**Gary Perry, Mayor Pro Tem**

Mr. Perry was elected to the Town Council in 2005 and in 2007 was selected by the council to serve as Mayor Pro Tem. He retired after 30 years of service in the US Coast Guard followed by retirement after 14.75 years of service as Chief Engineer of Civilian Contract operated US Naval Surveillance Ships. Mr. Perry is a Kitty Hawk native and graduate of Manteo High School. He has a BS, Marine Engineering Safety Technology,

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with a major in Business Administration from Wayland Baptist University. Mr. Perry has military and civilian training in engineering, management, and leadership disciplines.

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**Ervin Bateman, Councilman**

The Town Council appointed Mr. Bateman to the Planning Board in June of 1993. He served on the Planning Board until 2002. In 2003, Mr Bateman was elected to the Town Council and in 2005 he was selected by the council to serve at Mayor Pro Tem. In 2007, Mr. Bateman was re-elected to the Council.

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**Richard M. Reid, Councilman**

Mr. Reid was elected to the Town Council in 2005. Before being elected to the Council, Mr. Reid served as Kitty Hawk's Town Planner from 1993 to 2004, when he retired. Prior to working for Kitty Hawk, Mr. Reid was Planning Director in Franklin County, North Carolina, Senior Planner for Fairfax County, VA, Senior Urban Designer for Maryland National Capital Parks & Planning Mr. Reid, holds a Bachelor's degree in Architecture from the University of Kansas, and a master's degree in Architecture & Urban Design, from Virginia Tech.

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**Emilie Klutz, Councilwoman**

Ms. Klutz was appointed to the Town Council in December 2005. This appointment was made by the Town Council to fill the remaining two years of the term of Clifton Perry who was elected Mayor. In 2007, Ms. Klutz was elected for a full term. Before being appointed to the Town Council Ms. Klutz served on the Town's Recreation Committee.

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