

Press Release
April 14, 2009

The Beaufort Town Commissioners voted to secure the services of Leonard O. Barefoot as Interim Town Manager. Mr. Barefoot came highly recommended from the North Carolina League of Municipalities, whose main duty is to provide cities and towns with candidates during transition periods.

A native of Benson, NC, Mr. Barefoot has an extensive background in town management and planning. He will be coming out of a short retirement period, having served as Town Manager of Sanford, NC from 1994 to 2007. Prior to this he was Town Manager of Siler City, along with serving a stint as Planning Director of Lee County.

Mr. Barefoot received a BS in Urban and Regional Planning from East Carolina University and also served in the United States Army. His hobbies include fishing and choral music.

Mr. Barefoot will assume the duties of manager on June 30th or upon the departure of the current manager, Terri Parker-Eakes.

Marianna Hollinshed, Chairman
Administration and Finance Committee
Beaufort Town Board of Commissioners