Town of Swansboro

General Policy #16 Procedures for Controlling the Duck Population within Town

In order to control growth and to protect the property owners in town that do not appreciate the nuisance that can be created by an over population of ducks, the Public Works Department will relocate ducks at the request of the Board of Commissioners. The Public Works Department will collect the ducks in a safe manner and relocate then to a safe location. The relocation of ducks will control their growth and multiplication; provide some humane protection to them from motor vehicles and decreases the damage to properties and public health concerns from the spread of contaminates from animal wastes within town.

The areas in which the ducks will be collected will be determined by the BOC. Generally, duck round ups are done for ducks that venture one block west of the Front Street waterfront into the residential areas.

Adopted this 18th day of November 2003.

Paul W. Edgerton, Mayor