

Town of Edisto Beach

Monthly Highlights

April 2024



IMPORTANT

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On November 30, 2023, the EPA announced the Lead and Copper Rule Improvements. The EPA requires water systems to replace lead service lines under the control of the water system within ten years, with limited exceptions.

[Click HERE for additional information on the EPA Mandate.](#)

EPA Mandate - Lead & Copper Rule

As per mandate from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Town of Edisto Beach will work to be compliant with the federal mandate to reduce the risk of lead in American drinking water. This mandate requires all water systems in the United States to verify the material of every water service in its system.

As has been noted previously, residents may see our Utilities Department staff around the vicinity of homes and businesses as they check on the water service lines in order to comply with this mandate. The Town's water service lines are also being reviewed as per this mandate.

The well-being and safety of our residents is particularly important to our Town Council and to the Town of Edisto Beach, so we will work as needed to verify the materials in our service lines.

Please call Town Hall with any questions.



Keep Edisto Beautiful

Kristi Outland, Executive Director of Keep Edisto Beautiful (KEB), and members of the KEB Board are gearing up for the Great American Clean-up on Edisto Island. This litter campaign will be held on April 6th at 9:00 a.m., and all participants are asked to meet at the Charleston County Edisto Library. Town of Edisto Beach residents are welcome to join Island residents and others during this clean-up effort.

New KEB Board members were approved by Town Council on March 14 (see page 4), and the Board has been meeting to set projects for the upcoming months.

KEB is working on revamping the Adopt-a-Beach Access and the Adopt-a-Street initiatives, as well as updating the new website so that information can be shared with the community.

As a reminder, Keep Edisto Beautiful is affiliated with Keep America Beautiful, a nonprofit devoted to educating and inspiring people to clean, green, and beautiful communities.



King Tides

Please be aware King Tides are predicted on the following dates for 2024:

- April 8-10
- May 6-8
- August 19-20
- September 16-22
- October 16-21
- November 14-18

SC DHEC sponsors the “King Tides Initiative” to record effects of these extreme tide events and the impact they have on our state’s beaches, private property, and public infrastructure.

The effect of King Tides vary. In some cases, they are barely noticed. In other cases, King Tides may cause coastal erosion and flooding, which has happened on Edisto Beach. DHEC notes, “...over time, the frequency and effect of King Tide events may increase due to gradual mean sea level rise.”

We advise our residents and homeowners to be cognizant of these dates and ensure protection of personal property.



SC DHEC King Tides Webpage [HERE](#)

Contractor Trash

As per Section 66-79(e)(1) of the Town's Code of Ordinances, the following trash items, among other items noted in the ordinance, are to be removed by the homeowner and/or the producer at his own expense and are not to be left on the road for pick-up by Republic Services: building material, whether generated by a contractor or the owner; and any refuse resulting from residential yard work performed by contractors. Please ensure to advise your landscape contractor to not place yard debris at the road.

Jungle Road Park Bathroom Project

The Jungle Road Park Bathroom Project contractor is making progress toward completion of this project. Recent photographs below indicate the work completed. Ground vegetation has been trimmed and the canopy has been lifted to open the view of the adjacent marsh. The restrooms will open once the sewer moratorium is lifted.



Generator Safety

Whole or partial house installed generators require a permit to be issued by the Town of Edisto Beach.

Why? The Building Department ensures the generators are installed above the base flood level and properly installed into the home's electrical system. Following the requirements of the Town's flood ordinance assists in protecting the investment of a generator.

Portable generators should never be used inside a home, garage, or other enclosed space. The exhaust fumes from generators release carbon monoxide which is deadly to humans and pets. Carbon monoxide is an odorless and colorless toxic gas.

Portable generators should not be placed close to windows, doors, or flammable materials. Also turn off and allow the portable generator to cool before refueling.



March Town Council Meeting Highlights

At the regular monthly Town Council meeting held on March 14, the following are a few of the items approved by Council:

- Second reading of Ordinance 2024-02 to Amend the Business License Ordinance to Update the Class Schedule as required by Act 176 of 2020. This ordinance does **not** include fee increases; this amendment will only update the class schedule as required by state law.
- Resolution 2024-R05 Town of Edisto Beach Safety Policy Resolution, which recognizes the prevention of accidental losses affecting employees, property, and the public will enhance the operating efficiency of the Town.
- Approval to advertise for the vacancy on the Planning Commission. Applications are due to Town Hall by April 1. Link to application found [HERE](#).
- Approval of the Keep Edisto Board of Directors: Caroline Matheny, Mindy Friddle, Claire Ducet, Krystal Parsons, and Beverly Sandifer. Kristi Outland serves as Executive Director.

As a reminder, Council agendas and minutes are found on our website [HERE](#).



Starfish Award

Town Council recognized Assistant Fire Chief Ken Sallenger with a Starfish Award. Ken was nominated for this award by Mrs. Iddy Andrews due to Ken's assistance with some items at her home. Mrs. Andrews noted that Ken is a great representative for the Town of Edisto Beach. Congratulations, Ken!



Building Safety Month Proclamation

Town Council approved a proclamation recognizing May 2024 as Building Safety Month. In observance of Building Safety Month, people are asked to commit to building safety at home and in their communities. We are also asked to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by our by local and state building departments, fire prevention bureaus and federal agencies in protecting lives and property.

The Town extends its gratitude to Building Code Administrator Patrick Brown, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer Morgan Viars, and Permit Technician/Business License Clerk Tammy Lake. Thanks for all you do!