

Monthly Highlights

November 2022



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The Importance of Septic Tank Maintenance

Regularly servicing your septic system can save you money and can protect your property value, health and the environment. Because Edisto Beach has such a high water table, it's especially important to ensure your septic tank is working properly and not leaking into the ground. It's recommended that septic tanks be inspected every one to three years and pumped every three to five years. The frequency of pumping will depend on tank size and number of people in the household, as well as water use habits. Septic tanks are permitted to the number of bedrooms in a house. Increasing the usage above what is

permitted will cause the septic tanks to not function as designed. If you have never serviced your septic system or are unsure of the last time it was serviced, please schedule an inspection with a licensed professional. More information on septic tank maintenance can be found [HERE](#). A new homebuyer's guide to septic systems can be downloaded [HERE](#). Check out this short [VIDEO](#) clip on maintenance tips.

Pump Your Tank!



Ensure your septic tank is pumped at regular intervals as recommended by a professional and/or local permitting authority. Learn more at www.epa.gov/septic.



Lowcountry Area Agency on Aging Programs

The Lowcountry Council of Governments (LCOG) is one of ten South Carolina councils designed to serve as a connection between local governments and state and federal programs. The LCOG, which serves Colleton County, has a variety of programs and resources available to the Town of Edisto Beach and its citizens. Among their programs is the Lowcountry Area Agency on Aging. The agency provides insurance counseling, legal assistance, long-



term care residence advocacy, referral/assistance services, and home and community based services. If you think you or someone you know could benefit from any of these services, please reach out to the LCOG by visiting their [WEBSITE](#).

Town Lobbyist Efforts

The Town hired Mr. Kenneth Bingham of Adams and Reese LLP in 2022 to serve as a licensed lobbyist representing various town interests. Mr. Bingham assisted the Town's efforts by successfully lobbying the state's general assembly for the inclusion of 7.5 million dollars of matching funds for the Town's Storm Reduction project with the Army Corps of Engineers. Other matters Mr. Bingham will be representing include the Town's 10 million dollar grant application for sewer upgrades and assisting the town with correcting our previous Census count which would impact



the Town's American Rescue Funds allotment.

Short-Term Rental Compliance

The Town recently partnered with a software company (Granicus) to assist the town with short-term rental monitoring and compliance. The software will track real-time rental advertisements and bookings to ensure that all rental owners are remitting the correct



accommodations taxes to the town. This program will also allow the town to ensure that all rental properties are properly licensed through the town. If you are unsure if you are properly licensed and remitting the correct accommodations taxes, please contact the town at 843-869-2505. For more information on obtaining a rental business license click [HERE](#). For more information on local accommodations taxes click [HERE](#).

Keep Edisto Beautiful Introduction

Kristi Outland, Director of Keep Edisto Beautiful, introduced herself to the public during the October Town Council meeting. Kristi was recently appointed as Director of Keep Edisto Beautiful, an anti-litter organization and affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, and spoke about the exciting, upcoming events and programs such as Adopt a Beach Access and the Great American Cleanup held each March. Kristi and her husband reside on Edisto Island with their two children. More information on Keep Edisto Beautiful can be found [HERE](#).



Events Schedule



11th Annual Edisto Beach Road Race - Nov. 19th

2022 Classic Car Show - Nov. 5th

Holiday Movies In The Park - Dec. 9th

Holiday Market & Mingle at Bay Creek Park - Dec. 9th

Edisto Christmas Parade - Dec. 10th

