

Town of Edisto Beach

Monthly Highlights

October 2023



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Get Your Home Ready for Winter

While we still have two months left in the hurricane season, this is also the time to begin thinking about preparations for your home for the upcoming winter season. Many residents will remember the freezing temperatures last December, so it is crucial to prepare your home in order to keep it safe and in good condition.

Suggested preparations for your home include:

- **Protect Plumbing:** Insulate all your plumbing so you do not end up with a burst pipe. Add insulation to the plumbing underneath the home as well as any outdoor spigots. Turn the main water supply off and drain all faucets and outdoor spigots if you are gone for the winter.
- **Check Doors and Windows:** Properly sealing your doors and windows is an important step. Adding new weatherstripping to your doors and windows can seal any gaps that may let air in. Simple upkeep of the doors and windows will keep your beach home insulated and protected from the winter's elements.
- **If you are gone for the winter, set Thermostat between 50-55 Degrees F:** Setting your thermostat between 50-55 degrees F is just high enough to prevent freezing in your home. This range is also best to prevent mold and mildew from forming.
- **Unplug All Electronics and Appliances:** Unplugging TVs, washers/dryers, toasters, charging devices, etc. will protect them from power surges.

For homeowners who do not live here full-time and who are unable to get to their water system, please contact Town Hall. We will do what we can to assist in shutting off the water.

Plan ahead to keep your home safe this winter!



Project Updates: Jungle Road Park Bathrooms and Pump Stations A & B

The construction on the Jungle Road Park Bathrooms Project will begin very soon. Pre-construction meetings have been held with the contractor, Cinderella Partners, and with members of the Town administration. The required permits are all in hand.

The project will feature restrooms, a dog fountain, a water bottle fountain, a trailhead kiosk, bike stand with manual pump and tools to fix bikes.

Construction should be completed by early spring 2024.

All work on Pump Station B has been completed. Pump Station A bid specifications have been prepared and are now out to bid. Bids are due October 25. The Town received \$8.9 million in SC Infrastructure Investment Program (SCIIP) grant funding as well as \$500,000 from RIA grant funding to be used as matching funds for the SCIIP grant. The amount of grant funds received will be sufficient to allow the Town to make the necessary upgrades to the Wastewater System which will allow the Town to lift the current sewer moratorium.

Meetings with USACE Scheduled Regarding the Beach Renourishment Project

The Town's beach renourishment project with the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) is in progress. The initial 35% design is ready, and we have scheduled informational sessions with Town residents to explain the process, the schedule, and the benefits of this project.

The beachfront property owners will be invited to attend a meeting with Town officials and the USACE on October 30 at 5:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. Beachfront property owners will be notified of this meeting by mail.

A second informational meeting will be held on November 8 at 5:30 p.m. for Edisto Beach residents and the general public at the Civic Center.

We encourage attendance at these meetings so beachfront property owners and residents can hear first-hand about the plans for our beach renourishment project.



Sandscraping and Storm Debris Update

The Town experienced some impacts from Hurricane Idalia, although we were spared from a great deal of damage.

Some beach damage was sustained, and we are continuing to assess the situation with our coastal engineers. We have applied for a sandscraping permit in order to scrape sand from the low side of the beach and push it towards beachfront homes to build a protective dune. This work has not yet begun but Town Council has approved the awarding of this

contract to West Bank Construction.

We appreciated the work of SCDOT and Colleton County as these agencies quickly removed sand and debris from the beginning blocks of Palmetto Boulevard the day after the storm.



Calendar Reminders

A **Vaccine Clinic** will be held at Town Hall on **October 12** from 12 noon to 2:00 p.m. Flu, COVID-19, RSV, and pneumonia shots will be available.

Cookin' on the Creek BBQ Festival will be held on October 13-14 at Bay Creek Park.



Election Day on Edisto Beach is scheduled for **November 7, 2023**, for the purpose of electing one (1) Mayor and two (2) Council Members to serve a term of four years. Individuals must be duly registered on the County Books on Registration for Colleton County as an elector at the precinct of Edisto Beach and a resident of Edisto Beach on or before thirty days prior to the date of the election in order to vote.



September Town Council Meeting Highlights

At the regular monthly Town Council meeting on September 14, Council approved the following items:

- Award of contract to West Bank Construction for Beach sandscraping along portions of front beach under the Town of Edisto Beach Emergency Procurement. The contract will not exceed \$20,000.
- Award of second contract extension to DM's Cleaning Service for Town Hall cleaning from the period October 19, 2023 through October 20, 2024.
- Appointed Stephanie Renner and reappointed Ron Scroggy to the Zoning Board of Appeals; and reappointed Stanley Hergott and P. Kenneth Huggins to the Construction Board of Appeals.
- Approved for the 33rd Annual Edisto Beach Christmas Parade to be held on December 9th at 2:00 p.m.

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



Mayor Moore officiated at the ceremonial swearing-in for Greg Poole, Edisto Beach's newest police officer.

Starfish Awards

- Mr. Robert Pratt was recognized with a Starfish Award for his service on the ATAX Board from July 2017 to August 2023. Council thanked Mr. Pratt for his expertise and dedication as a member of the board.
- Mr. Patrick Brown, the Town's Building Code Administrator, was recognized by Council with a Starfish Award for his assistance in planning, organizing, and executing a handicap ramp for an Edisto Beach resident. The Edisto Beach Mission Team nominated Mr. Brown for this award.

TOWN OF EDISTO BEACH
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TRICK OR TREAT AT THE CREEK



Prizes

OCT 31 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
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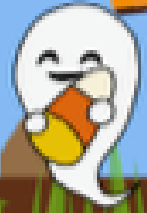
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Costumes are Encouraged

