Town of Edisto Beach

Monthly Highlights

February 2024



IMPORTANT

Signup for CodeRed Weather Alerts by selecting the button below.



And subscribe to the Edisto Beach Website <u>HERE</u>.

Check out the lagoon study presentation by Davis and Floyd on our website HERE.



Monitoring station at Nancy Street

Lagoon Study Update

At the January 10 Town Council Work Session, Davis & Floyd presented their work to date on the Lagoon Study Project, which is being funded by the South Carolina Building Resilient Infrastructure Communities (BRIC) grant.

Davis & Floyd are to identify potential solutions for addressing both rainfall and tidal flooding. The interior lagoon system runs parallel between Palmetto Boulevard and Jungle Road from Lybrand Street to Mary Street.

As part of this project, the Town and the engineers welcome any feedback regarding the existing conditions of the lagoon system. Davis and Floyd will return for a public meeting to present drainage improvement recommendations and funding/capital planning recommendations. Please send comments to info@townofedistobeach.com.



Pictures of the lagoon system outfall to Scott Creek at the intersection of Jungle Shores Road and Whaley Street, which shows the tide elevation change as it approaches low and high points.

Town Projects/Updates

Jenkins Street Repaying

Jenkins Street from Palmetto Blvd. to Myrtle Street was recently repaved. Funds for this project were designated from the Capital Improvement Projects fund.

Tennis/Pickleball Court

The new tennis/pickleball court project has been completed. The pickleball additional courts. repaving of the parking lot, and other site improvements were part project. Many of of this residents and visitors are using the courts, and we expect usage to increase as the spring and summer months come upon us. As a reminder. Town Hall has two sets of pickleball equipment which can be checked out on a first-come, firstserve basis.

ATAX funds were used for the renovations of these courts, which was approved by both the ATAX Board and Town Council.

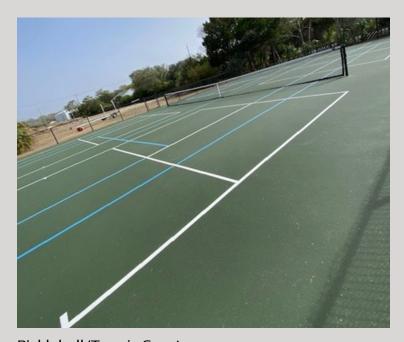
Jungle Road Park Bathroom

The Jungle Road Bathroom project is progressing. This facility will feature restrooms, a water fountain, a trailhead kiosk, bike stand with air pump, and tools to fix hikes.

This project is being funded through a South Carolina Parks, Recreation & Tourism Grant.



Residents Dave & Kristin Youmans & their furbaby enjoying a walk on the newly re-paved Jenkins Street.



Pickleball/Tennis Courts



Jungle Road Park Bathroom

Emergency Access Decals

Council & Meeting Notices

The Town's Emergency Access Decal for homeowners will be ready for issuance in a few weeks. The Town will issue the new decals for a three-year period, ending on December 31, 2026. For new homeowners during this period, the Town will issue decals as we receive applications. For residents who move away from the Town, the decal will be revoked. Please note all decals, regardless of when issued during 2024-2026, will expire on December 31, 2026.

The Town requires the application form to be completed by all homeowners who wish to obtain a decal. The application may be found <u>HERE</u>. We will need a copy of your driver's license, as well as additional information as noted on the application.

Once the application is completed, please forward to Donna Iskra, Municipal Clerk, at diskra@townofedistobeach.com, or by mail to Town of Edisto Beach, 2414 Murray Street. You may also drop-off the application at Town Hall.

Please contact Donna at her email address or 843-869-2505, ext. 213, with any questions.

Vaccine Clinic

A Vaccine Clinic will be held on February 7, 2024, from 12 noon to 2 p.m. at Town Hall. The following vaccines will be available: COVID-19 booster, flu, and shingles. By Town Code, Town Council meets the second Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m. Preceding this Thursday monthly meeting, Council meets on Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. for a work session. During the work session, agenda items are discussed.

Town Council agendas are posted on the Town's website at least 24 hours prior to the work session. Agendas are also posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of Town Hall. Any called special meetings of Council must also be posted at least 24 hours prior to the meeting, and these agendas are posted on the website and on the Town Hall bulletin board.

As a reminder, any ordinance considered by Council requires two readings. Ordinances that establish or adjust rates also require a public hearing.

Residents also have the option of signing up for notifications to receive the monthly agendas. The link to do so is found on our website under "Sign Up/Manage Notifications." If you are already enrolled in our notification system, you may update your preferences to receive agendas.

All meetings of Town Council are open to the public and provide an opportunity for citizens to offer public comments.

As per Ordinance, Town Council meetings are governed by Robert's Rules of Order.

January Town Council Meeting Highlights

At the regular monthly Town Council meeting held on January 11, the following are a few of the items approved by Council:

- First Reading of Ordinance 2024-01 to Amend Section 58-161 of Article VI-Noise. The change in the ordinance permits outdoor entertainment between March 1 to October 31 of each year.
- Approval of Contract for Deer Management Services to Lowcountry Wildlife Specialists, LLC. Council approved this contract in an amount not to exceed \$9,800. As a term of this contract, the Town would also pay Long's Deer Processing an amount not to exceed \$7,000.
- Approval to Advertise for One Vacancy on the TIDE Committee. Council approved to advertise for this vacancy on the TIDE Committee.

As a reminder, Council agendas and minutes are found on our website <u>HERE</u>.



Starfish Award

Town Council presented a Starfish Award to Mr. Jeb Smoak for his selfless actions and commitment to helping others.

Mr. Smoak was nominated for this award by Mrs. Lydia Poole, one of a number of individuals he assisted during the December 17 coastal storm.



While working at Waterfront Restaurant, Mr. Smoak volunteered to move vehicles from the flooded parking lot. He did so on his own in order to help others and did so in the pouring rain. Mr. Smoak refused to take money from customers whose cars he moved to higher ground.

Thank you for your kindness to others, Jeb!