

Beachfront Management Committee Minutes

June 29, 2012

1:30 PM

Present: David Lybrand (Chair); David Cannon (Vice Chair); Roy McLaurin; Bob Doub (ex officio); Patrick Brown (ex officio); Iris Hill (ex officio)

Meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm

I. Minutes of May 23, 2012 meeting were approved by consensus

II. New Business

A. Hunting Island Permit: Discussion ensued regarding page 11 of 18 of the Hunting Island Beach Restoration Plan and the seaward end horizontal if this was the approach the committee wanted to adopt.

David Lybrand visited Hunting Island and showed pictures to the group. Although the permit proposed installation of 9 groins, they did not construct all of the groins. The group discussed rule 5 and how rule 5 works. David Lybrand also talked about Google earth and how historical pictures showed accretion and erosion. This was encouraging because it indicates the permitting agencies will work with a group as they had with Hunting Island and not necessarily construct according to the permit. David asked about the status of the paperwork regarding his deeding his property on the front beach to the Town and was told the Town Attorney was working on it.

David L. presented a fiberglass material by Crane Materials International which looked promising as groin extension material and was relatively inexpensive and easy to install.

B. Coastal Science Engineering Proposal: David Lybrand gave a basic history of the installation of the groins on Edisto beginning with the removal of the bridge at the causeway by the State of South Carolina in 1937. He stated that when the Department of Transportation installed the first 4 groins in 1949 they were too short. David Cannon moved to accept the CSE study and all agreed. There was additional discussion about proposed groin extensions and whether the length should be based on length from the front of the house and vegetation line.

C. David Cannon showed a comparison of the vegetation width between 2006 and 1993 to analyze the effect on vegetation width of the stacking and grouting of the groins in 1997. The effect was negligible, however, the extension of groin 9 correlated with an increase in vegetation width of

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8 feet on the updrift side. He proposed extending groins 23 through 28 and why.

The group asked to find out about the permit application for Folly Beach.

Meeting was adjourned 2:45 PM