

**MINUTES
TIDE COMMITTEE
December 4, 2019**

Present: Janet Oakley, Chairperson, Pat Kostell, Vice Chairperson, Cameron Andrews, Archie Livingston, Peter Beck, and Marie Bost.

Absent: Mickey Van Metre (prior notice)

Call to Order: Chairperson Oakley called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes: Peter Beck moved to approve the minutes of the November 6, 2019 meeting seconded by Archie Livingston. Pat Kostell moved that the minutes be amended to reflect her suggestion that a member of the TIDE Committee be on the Town Hall Complex Architectural Selection Committee. Marie Bost seconded the motion, which was approved 6 – 0. Chairperson Oakley called for the vote on the amended minutes and the motion was approved 6 – 0.

Old Business:

A. Gateway Improvements Update: The TIDE Committee decided after discussion to make sure turtle-friendly lighting was available prior to making a recommendation to Council about uplighting trees at the Gateway. Cameron Andrews will contact the turtle program through the state park to see if they have suggestions as to who to reach out to. Nothing has been decided as far as trimming the trees.

B. Update from Recreational Plan Committee Representative: Peter Beck told the Committee that the top four bidders presented information to the Recreational Plan Committee (RPC) on November 21, 2019. Any of the four would have been a good choice, and the RPC selected Toole. Toole will focus on three main things: 1) the bike paths 2) the Beach Accesses and 3) Branding. During the process, Toole will gather input from the public through surveys and/or public meetings.

New Business:

A. Comment from Department Heads: Town Administrator Iris Hill told the TIDE Committee that on-going Town projects were on the website under the projects tab. Bob Doub is inventorying Beach Accesses. Patrick Brown told the Committee that sand fencing should be installed by the end of January. Marie Bost offered to help get information on sand fencing installation to property owners so that they can assist Town personnel if they so choose.

Janet Oakley and the entire TIDE Committee commended Town employees on how nice the Christmas decorations look. She then moved to have Town employees responsible for assisting with the Christmas lights receive a Starfish Award. Cameron Andrews seconded the motion, which was approved 6 – 0.

Update on Mural from Art Guild Representative: Pat Kostell updated the Committee on the Art Guild's mural project. Steve and Virginia Bond out of St. George have been selected and will begin the project as soon as the contract is finalized. Many different scenes depicting life at Edisto Beach will be incorporated in the mural.

Chairperson Janet Oakley expressed her appreciation for all the hard work done by Town Hall staff and the TIDE Committee. She commended those in attendance and

encouraged them to keep nurturing and preserving the uniqueness that is Edisto Beach. Vice Chairperson Pat Kostell will move into the position of Chairperson at the next meeting which will be February 5, 2020. A new Vice Chairperson will be elected at that time.

Adjournment:

Peter Beck moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Archie Livingston and approved 6 – 0.

APPROVED BY THE TIDE COMMITTEE

Deborah Hargis, Municipal Clerk
February 5, 2020