

MINUTES
FEBRUARY 10, 2022
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
6:00 P.M.

Town of Edisto Beach
Town Hall
2414 Murray Street
Edisto Beach, SC 29438

Present: Mayor Crawford Moore, Mayor Pro Tempore Jerome Kizer, Joey Bagwell, Robert Renner, and Jay Watts
Council Members. *Quorum of Council Present.*

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Councilman Watts led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and an Invocation.

Approval of Minutes

- A. **Regular Council Meeting Minutes, January 13, 2022** – Councilman Renner moved to approve the regular Council meeting minutes from January 13, 2022. Councilman Watts seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- B. **Special Council Meeting Minutes, January 25, 2022** – Councilman Renner moved to approve the special Council meeting minutes from January 25, 2022. Councilman Watts seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- C. **Annual Goal Setting Retreat Minutes, January 25, 2022** – Councilman Renner moved to approve the annual goal setting retreat minutes from January 25, 2022. Councilman Watts seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

Public Comment – There were no public comments.

Old Business

- A. **Ordinance No. 2021-13 Temporary Moratorium to be reviewed every 30 days until resolved-** Mayor Moore informed the audience that the South Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority reviewed the permit and the project has been bid. Bids are due March 2, 2022. Mayor Moore stated that this item was for informational purposes only and no action was taken.
- B. **Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-01 To Amend and Restate Section 2-31 of the Code of Ordinances for the Town of Edisto Beach Related to Council Compensation-** Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2022-01 to amend and restate section 2-31 of the Code of Ordinances for the Town of Edisto Beach related to Council compensation. Councilman Renner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- C. **Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-02 To Amend and Restate Section 58-31 of the Code of Ordinances for the Town of Edisto Beach Related to Discharge of Firearms-** Councilman Watts moved to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2022-02 to amend and restate section 58-31 of the Code of Ordinances for the Town of Edisto Beach related to discharge of firearms. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

- D. **Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-03 to Authorize the Town of Edisto Beach to Convey Certain Real Property and Authorize the Mayor to Execute the Quit Claim Deed-** Councilman Renner moved to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2022-03 to authorize the Town of Edisto Beach to convey certain real property and authorize the Mayor to execute the quit claim deed. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- E. **Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-04 To Prohibit the Feeding of Deer in the Town of Edisto Beach By Amending Chapter 6 of the Town of Edisto Beach, South Carolina Code of Ordinances to Enact Article III-** Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2022-04 to prohibit the feeding of deer in the Town of Edisto Beach by amending chapter 6 of the Town of Edisto Beach, South Carolina Code of Ordinances to enact article III. Councilman Renner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

New Business

- A. **Town of Edisto Beach Flooding and Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Assessment-** Landon Knapp, Coastal Resilience Specialist with the SC Sea Grant Consortium/College of Charleston presented the Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Assessment to Town Council and the audience. Town Administrator Iris Hill discussed grants that Town Council is working on to mitigate future issues. Ms. Hill and Mayor Moore thanked the Sea Grant Consortium for their time and efforts while working of the assessment for the Town.
- B. **First Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-05 to Amend Section 82-33 of the Town's Code to Adjust the Rates for Water Service** – Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-5 to amend section 82-33 of the Town's code to adjust the rates for water service. Councilman Renner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- C. **First Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-06 to Amend Section 82-139 of the Town's Code to Adjust the Rates for Sewer Service-** Councilman Renner moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-06 to amend section 82-139 of the Town's code to adjust the rates for sewer service. Councilman Watts seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- D. **Resolution No. 2022-R07 Adopting 2022-23 Town Council Goals-** Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve Resolution No. 2022-R07 adopting the 2022-23 Town Council goals. Councilman Renner seconded the motion. Mayor Moore informed the audience that the goals were discussed at the Town Council work session that was held on Tuesday, February 8, 2022. The motion was unanimously approved.
- E. **Special Event Application, Town of Edisto Beach, Cookin' on the Creek BBQ Festival-** Councilman Watts moved to approve the special event application for the Town of Edisto Beach, Cookin' on the Creek BBQ festival. Councilman Renner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- F. **Agreement Between the Colleton County Sheriff's Office and the Town of Edisto Beach Police Department to Provide the Town of Edisto Beach with Victim Assistance** – Councilman Renner moved to approve the agreement between the Colleton County Sheriff's Office and the Town of Edisto Beach Police Department to provide the Town of Edisto Beach with victim assistance. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- G. **Special Event Application, Edisto Art Guild, Edisto Chamber, Town of Edisto Beach, Arts in the Park 2022 Concert Series-** Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve the special event application from the Edisto Art Guild, Edisto Chamber of Commerce, and the Town of Edisto Beach Arts in the Park 2022 concert series. Councilman Renner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- H. **First Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-08 to Amend Subsection (h) (3) of Section 82-1 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Edisto Beach to Provide for the Town Administrator to Decide Requests for Water Leak Adjustments-** Councilman Renner moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-08 to amend subsection (h) (3) of section 82-1 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Edisto Beach to

provide for the Town Administrator to decide requests for water leak adjustments. Councilman Watts seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

- I. **Edisto Magazine Welcome Letter-** Mayor Moore informed the audience that the editor of the Edisto magazine has requested Council provide a welcome letter for the first annual edition of the magazine. Mayor Moore stated that this information was for informational purposes only and that no action was needed.
- J. **First Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-09 to Amend Section 66-8 (c) of the Town's Code. Request Council consideration and approval of the first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-09 to Amend Section 66-8 (c) of the Town's Code dealing with Solid Waste Fees** – Town Administrator Iris Hill updated Town Council and the audience on the scheduled trash collection for the year 2022. Ms. Hill stated that she will be working with Mayor Pro Tem Kizer to set a schedule for trash collection in 2023 and 2024. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-09 to amend section 66-8(c) of the Town's code dealing with Solid Waste Fees. Councilman Renner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- K. **RFB 2021-17 Edisto Beach Civic Center Painting Bid-** Councilman Renner moved to approve RFB 2021-17 Edisto Beach Civic Center painting bid to R&E Painting for \$19,500. Councilman Watts seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

Committee Vacancies

- A. **Beachfront Management Committee – 1 vacancy** – The Town will continue to advertise for this vacancy.
- B. **Construction Board of Appeals – 1 vacancy** – Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve the Construction Board of Appeals application submitted by Mr. Stanley Hergott. Councilman Renner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

State Accommodations Tax Board

- A. **Request from Special Projects Coordinator Kelly Moore regarding Cookin' On the Creek, \$15,000-** Councilman Renner moved to approve the request from Special Projects Coordinator Kelly Moore regarding Cookin' on the Creek in the amount of \$15,000. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- B. **2022 Turtle Tide Art Project-Edisto Chamber of Commerce-\$5,000-** Mayor Moore informed the audience that Chelsea Harrison gave a presentation on the Turtle Tide Art Project on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at the Town Council work session. Mayor Moore stated that Ms. Harrison and the Edisto Chamber of Commerce Board has asked to defer this item until the scheduled March Town Council meeting that will be held on March 10, 2022. Councilman Renner moved to defer the item until the March Town Council meeting that will be held on March 10, 2022. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

Council Time

Mayor Moore congratulated and welcomed newly elected Town Councilmember Joey Bagwell.

Mayor Moore recognized Ms. Sue Keith from the Colleton County Delegation Office who was in the audience and thanked her for coming to the meeting.

Departmental Reports

Administration

Town Administrator Iris Hill informed Town Council and the audience that she was working with Councilman Renner on an email notification for residents and visitors. Ms. Hill stated that the email notification sign up button was now available on the Town's website.

Ms. Hill informed Town Council and the audience that the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) would be coming to Edisto Beach at the end of February to smooth and pave roads and that she would provide Council with a list of roads that are scheduled to be worked on.

Ms. Hill informed Town Council and the audience that she was working with Edisto Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Chelsea Harrison to research tourism data.

	Received	Spent
General Fund	73.01 %	53.48 %
Water Fund	53 %	40.76 %
Wastewater Fund	59.68 %	44.22 %

Freedom of Information Act Requests

During the month of January 2022, the Town of Edisto Beach received eight Freedom of Information Act requests. The Building Department had three requests, the Police Department had three requests, and the Administration Department had one request.

Building

	January 2021	January 2022	YTD
Business/Rental License Fees	\$3,064.95	\$5,676.80	\$86,274.69
New Construction Permits	2	4	348
Other Permits	29	45	619
Permit Fees	\$6,791.00	\$8,657.25	\$90,454.50
Inspections	43	139	658

Fire

Calls	January 2021	January 2022	YTD
Medical	15	21	175
Fire-Related	2	1	14
EMS/Misc.	7	14	117
Beach Wheelchairs	0	3	93
Water Rescue	1	1	12
Welfare Checks	0	0	14

Police

	January 2021	January 2022	YTD
Miles Patrolled	9,986	8,414	40,442
Incidents & Calls for Service	57	101	1,372
Property Checks	994	1,089	4,571
Town Parking Tickets	11	13	451

Utilities

MG (Million gallons)	January 2021	January 2022	YTD
Pumped MG Water	10.5	9.71	104.97
Treated MG Wastewater	2.50	1.74	18.21
Water Line Repairs	1	5	21
Work Order Repairs	20	22	183

Public Works

During the month of January 2022, the Public Works Department took down all Christmas decorations, trimmed trees at Bay Creek Park and Jungle Road Park, completed hydrant flushing and completed the semi-annual cleaning of the contact chamber at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

During the month of January 2022, the Streets and Roads Department also helped with taking down Christmas decorations, removed sand on the paved portion of Point St., performed maintenance on the fence at Burley Lyons Park, trimmed trees at Bay Creek Park and Jungle Road Park and completed right of way clearing between beach accesses 21-28. The department had 21 trash can work orders and 6 street sign work orders.

Special Projects

	January 2021	January 2022
Edisto Civic Center	\$6,047.30	\$4,726.45
Bay Creek Park	\$0	\$0

In the month of January 2022, the Edisto Civic Center had seven events. The Edisto Civic Center Facebook page has a total of 1,250 likes and 1,321 followers.

In the month of January 2022, Bay Creek Park had zero eventd. The Bay Creek Park Facebook page has a total of 3,980 likes and 4,169 followers.

The Keep Edisto Beautiful Facebook page has a total of 1,046 likes, and 1,123 followers.

The Edisto Beach Cookin’ on the Creek BBQ Festival Facebook page has 2,060 likes and 2,142 followers.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to go into Executive Session to discuss the following items. Councilman Renner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

- A. Receipt of legal advice where the legal advice relates to a pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege related to Sea Island Elevator, LLC v Patrick Brown and Town of Edisto Beach Case No. 2:22-cv-00258-RMG S.C. Code §30-4-70 (a) (2)
- B. Receipt of legal advice where the legal advice relates to a pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege related to real estate matter S.C. Code §30-4-70 (a) (2)

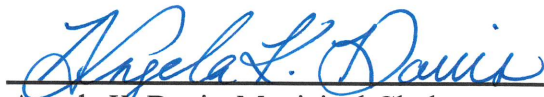
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Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to exit Executive Session, seconded by Councilman Watts, and approved unanimously. No action was taken on the items discussed in Executive Session.

Adjournment

Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Watts, and approved unanimously.

APPROVED BY TOWN COUNCIL



Angela K. Davis, Municipal Clerk

March 10, 2021