

MINUTES  
MARCH 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, Robert Renner, and Jay Watts Council Members. *Quorum of Council Present.*  
Absent: Joey Bagwell, Councilmember.

**Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation**

Mayor Pro Tem Kizer led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and an Invocation.

**Approval of Minutes**

- A. **Special Council Meeting Minutes, February 8, 2022** – Councilman Renner moved to approve the special Council meeting minutes from February 8, 2022. Councilman Watts seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- B. **Regular Council Meeting Minutes, February 10, 2022** – Councilman Renner moved to approve the regular Council meeting minutes from February 10, 2022. Councilman Watts seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

**Presentations and Proclamations**

**A. Starfish Awards**

1. **Becky Offenbacher and Marvin Ferguson** – Mayor Moore recognized Ms. Becky Offenbacher and Mr. Marvin Ferguson with a Starfish Award for their bravery and heroism in attempting to resuscitate Ms. Cynthia Gansser’s husband, Dr. David W. Tonkyn, after he collapsed inside of Wyndham Resort while jogging.
2. **Casey Herring** – Mayor Moore recognized Officer Casey Herring with a Starfish Award for her help in creating a Field Training Officer Manual and a Quick Reference Guide for the Police Department. Officer Herring has also assisted in the creation and organization of departmental forms.

**Public Comment** – Ms. Sue Keith from the Colleton County Delegation Office informed the audience that Representative Justin Bamberg of Bamberg County is now a part of the Hampton County Delegation. Mayor Moore and Ms. Keith discussed Representative Chardale Murray potentially representing Edisto Beach. Ms. Keith informed Mayor Moore that she would update Town Administrator Iris Hill on all new information.

**Old Business**

- A. **Ordinance No. 2021-13 Temporary Moratorium to be reviewed every 30 days until resolved-** Mayor Moore informed the audience that the Town of Edisto Beach received the bids. There was only one bid, and

- it substantially exceeded the estimated cost. The Town of Edisto Beach notified the consultant and is working on a solution. Mayor Moore stated that this was for informative purposes only and no action was needed.
- B. **Second 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 second reading of Ordinance No. 2022-05 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. **Second 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 second reading of Ordinance No. 2022-06 to amend section 82-139 of the Town's code to adjust the rates for sewer service. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- D. **Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-08 to Amend Subsection (h) (3) of Section 82-1 of the Code of Ordinance of the Town of Edisto Beach to Provide for the Town Administrator to Decide Requests for Water Leak Adjustments** – Councilman Watts moved to approve the second 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 seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- E. **Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-09 to Amend Section 66-8 (c) of the Town's Code to Adjust the Rates for Garbage Service** – Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve the second reading of ordinance No. 2022-09 to amend section 66-8(c) of the Town's code to adjust the rates of garbage service. Councilman Renner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- F. **Special Event Application, Edisto Art Guild, Edisto Chamber, Town of Edisto Beach, Arts in the Park 2022 Concert Series-** Councilman Renner moved to approve the special event application, Edisto Art Guild, Edisto Chamber, Town of Edisto Beach, Arts in the Park 2022 Concert Series and to waive park rental fees. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

#### New Business

- A. **Memorandum of Understanding between the Edisto Beach Police Department and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives-** Councilman Renner moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Edisto Beach Police Department and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- B. **Emergency Purchase Order Tasers-Axon Enterprise, Inc.-\$23,465.26-** Councilman Watts moved to approve the emergency purchase order for tasers from Axon Enterprise, Inc. in the amount of \$23,465.26. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- C. **Resolution No. 2022-R10 Committing the Town of Edisto Beach to Providing A Local Match for an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and Following its Procurement Policy When Securing Services and Products with Grant Funds-** Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve Resolution No. 2022-R10 committing the Town of Edisto Beach to providing a local match for an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and following its procurement policy when securing services and products with grant funds. Councilman Renner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- D. **Toy Crates at Beach Accesses-** Mayor Moore informed the audience that this item was discussed at the Town Council work session on Tuesday, March 8, 2022. Mayor Moore recommended that the TIDE committee and the Edisto Beach Loggerhead Turtle Patrol work together to come up with a schedule and maintenance program for the toy crates to bring to Town Council for approval at the April 2022 Town Council meeting.
- E. **Recreation Plan Priority List-** Councilman Renner moved to approve the recreation plan priority list. Councilman Watts seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

- F. **Bay Creek Park Market 2022 Rules, Regulations, and Guidelines-** Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve the Bay Creek Park market 2022, rules, regulations, and guidelines. Councilman Renner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- G. ~~**Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget Adjustments-**~~ Councilman ~~Watts~~ moved to approve the fiscal year 2021-2022 budget adjustments. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- H. **Resolution No. 2022-R11 Committing the Town of Edisto Beach to Providing a local Match and All Upfront Expenses for a Land Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant and Following Its Procurement Policy When Securing Services and Products with Grant Funds-** Councilman Renner moved to approve Resolution No. 2022-R11 committing the Town of Edisto Beach to providing a local match and all upfront expenses for a Land Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant and following its procurement policy when securing services and products with grant fund. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- I. **First Reading of Ordinance 2022-12 to Repeal Section 6-1 and Amend and Restate Section 6-2 of the Town's Code of Ordinances-** Councilman Renner moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-12 to repeal section 6-1 and amend and restate section 6-2 of the Town's Code of Ordinances. Councilman Watts seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- J. **Request for Qualifications 2022-01 Municipal Judge-** Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to appoint Morrison Payne as the Municipal Judge for the Town of Edisto Beach for a two-year term subject to contract negotiations and to authorize the Mayor to execute said contract. Councilman Renner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- K. **Coastal Science and Engineering Proposal Assessment of Groin Improvements and Conceptual Plan - \$13,500-** Councilman Watts moved to approve the Coastal Science and Engineering proposal assessment of groin improvements and conceptual plan in the amount of \$13,500. Councilman Renner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- L. **Commercial Sublease Agreement with Subordination Between Colleton County, the Town of Edisto Beach and the Episcopal Church of Edisto, Inc.-** Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve the commercial sublease agreement with subordination between Colleton County, the Town of Edisto Beach and the Episcopal Church of Edisto, Inc. Councilman Watts seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- M. **Special Event Application from Edisto Beach Baptist Church-Bay Creek Park July 2 Concert-** Councilman Renner moved to approve the special event application from Edisto Beach Baptist Church for Bay Creek Park July 2, 2022, concert. Councilman Watts seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- N. **Recurring Special Event Form, Edisto Chamber of Commerce, Movies in the Park –** Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve the recurring special event form from the Edisto Chamber of Commerce for movies in the park. Councilman Renner 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 –** Councilman Renner moved to approve that the Town of Edisto Beach advertise for the one vacancy on the Construction Board of Appeals. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

#### Council Time

Mayor Moore announced that the Town of Edisto Beach received an award from the Municipal Association of South Carolina for the Master Recreation Plan. Assistant Town Administrator Mark Aakhus stated that community involvement played a key role in receiving the award. Mayor Moore thanked the Town staff and the community for their participation.

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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.

~~Mayor Moore recognized Ms. Hannah Brunson who is a Field Representative from Congresswoman Nancy Mace's Office and thanked her for coming to the meeting.~~

**Departmental Reports**

**Administration**

Town Administrator Iris Hill recognized Angela Davis and wished her success as she leaves employment at the Town of Edisto Beach.

	Received	Spent
General Fund	83.48%	60.35 %
Water Fund	5.42 %	48.39 %
Wastewater Fund	65.23 %	53.58 %

**Freedom of Information Act Requests**

During the month of February 2022, the Town of Edisto Beach received fifteen Freedom of Information Act requests. The Building Department received eight requests, the Police Department received seven requests, and the Utilities Department received one request.

**Building**

	February 2021	February 2022	YTD
Business/Rental License Fees	\$4,226.95	\$6,521.65	\$92,796.34
New Construction Permits	2	1	349
Other Permits	28	53	672
Permit Fees	\$8,414.50	\$8,553.50	\$99,008.00
Inspections	135	138	796

**Fire**

Calls	February 2021	February 2022	YTD
Medical	8	17	192
Fire-Related	2	0	14
EMS/Misc.	7	7	124
Beach Wheelchairs	0	2	95
Water Rescue	0	0	12
Welfare Checks	0	0	14

**Police**

	February 2021	February 2022	YTD
Miles Patrolled	8,510	7,000	47,442
Incidents & Calls for Service	51	87	1,459
Property Checks	773	720	5,291
Town Parking Tickets	5	16	467

**Utilities**

MG (Million gallons)	February 2021	February 2022	YTD
Pumped MG Water	9.22	8.88	113.85
Treated MG Wastewater	2.73	1.62	19.83
Water Line Repairs	4	3	24
Work Order Repairs	20	23	206

**Public Works**

Utilities Director Patrick Zemp informed Town Council that the Utilities Department responded to forty-nine utility calls, installed three water taps, and changed out one meter. Mr. Zemp stated that Mr. Paul Otte passed the Water Distribution "D" Exam.

Mr. Zemp informed Town Council that the sine-wave filters for wells 7, 8, and 9 had been delivered by Gregory Electric and Wharton-Smith. Mr. Zemp stated that sine-wave filters have been added to well 8 and 9 and both are in service and that the sine-wave filter for well 7 will be installed on Friday, March 11, 2022. Mr. Zemp informed Town Council that the new generator at well 8 has been installed, tested, and put into service.

Mr. Zemp informed Town Council that the Public Works department have completed twelve trash can work orders, eighteen street sign work orders and five miscellaneous work orders. Mr. Zemp also stated that the department is working on the quarterly drainage ditch clearing and started tree trimming at the maintenance shop.

**Special Projects**

	February 2021	February 2022
Edisto Civic Center	\$5,528.06	\$4,763.00
Bay Creek Park	\$0	\$255

In the month of February 2022, the Edisto Civic Center had 10 events. The Edisto Civic Center Facebook page has a total of 1,267 likes and 1,340 followers.

In the month of February 2022, Bay Creek Park had zero events. The Bay Creek Park Facebook page has a total of 3,994 likes and 4,184 followers.

The Keep Edisto Beautiful Facebook page has a total of 1,062 likes, and 1,139 followers.

The Edisto Beach Cookin' on the Creek BBQ Festival Facebook page has 2,087 likes and 2,169 followers.

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**Executive Session**

There was no executive session.

**Adjournment**

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

**APPROVED BY TOWN COUNCIL**



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Town Administrator

April 14, 2021