

Present Committee Members: Marie Bost, Ron Scroggy, Virginia Stephenson, Charles Yeomans. Quorum of Committee Present.

Absent: Chairman Peter Beck (excused), Vice Chairwoman Betsy Daise (excused), and Camille Lemon (excused)

Present Ex Officio: Town Administrator Iris Hill, Edisto Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Chelsea Harrison

Chairman Peter Beck and Vice Chairwoman Betsy Daise were not in attendance and the Committee voted for Ms. Marie Bost to preside over the meeting.

Call to Order: Ms. Marie Bost called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Ron Scroggy moved to approve the minutes from the January 5, 2022, TIDE Committee meeting. Mr. Charles Yeomans seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Comments from the Town Administrator: No Comments.

Old Business:

A. 2022 TIDE Committee Goals (Measurable) – Ms. Hill stated that she would provide a list of goals from the Master Recreation Plan that the Committee could scale down to make measurable goals throughout the year. Ms. Bost and Mr. Yeomans discussed Mobi mats and beach access parking with the Committee. The Committee decided to add this item to the March agenda for discussion.

Ms. Hill and Ms. Stephenson discussed the differences between Mobi mats and boardwalks.

Ms. Stephenson discussed natural fencing options at Jungle Road Park with the Committee. Ms. Hill asked that natural fencing be added to the agenda for the March meeting.

B. Beach Access Adoption – The Committee discussed the beach accesses that had already been adopted and requested that Ms. Kelly Moore provide a list of beach accesses that are adopted and those that are available. Ms. Bost recommended that Ms. Hill add beach access adoption information to the monthly highlights and to ask for volunteers. Ms. Stephenson and Ms. Hill discussed adding a volunteer button to the Town website for residents and visitors to view available tasks that needed to be completed. Ms. Stephenson and Mr. Scroggy recommended collecting volunteer information.

C. Beach Toy Take and Leave Crate Update – Ms. Angela Davis read a statement to the Committee from Ms. Kristi Summers who is on the Turtle Patrol. Ms. Hill and the Committee discussed the cleanliness, management, location, and the environmental impact of the beach toy crates. Ms. Bost moved to recommend that Town Council remove the beach toy crates off the beach and to explore other central locations for the toy collection. Mr. Yeomans seconded the motion, which was unanimously
approved. The Committee recommended the Edisto Beach Baptist Church or the State Park for the central location of the toy collection.

**New Business**

A. **Turtle Tide Art Project – Edisto Chamber of Commerce, Chelsea Harrison** – Ms. Chelsea Harrison presented a PowerPoint to the TIDE Committee informing them of the Turtle Tide Art Project. Mr. Scroggy discussed location of the turtle sculptures and Ms. Harrison stated that she would like the location of the turtles to be spread throughout the beach and island possibly located at businesses and Town parks. Ms. Bost and Ms. Harrison discussed where the idea for the project came from. Ms. Hill voiced concern about visitors climbing or knocking over the structures and liability if located at Town parks. The committee and Ms. Harrison discussed ideas to mount and protect the turtle sculptures while on display. Ms. Bost and Ms. Harrison discussed using different aquatic molds besides turtles. Mr. Scroggy moved to recommend that Town Council consider the Turtle Tide Art Project. Mr. Yeomans seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

**Adjournment**

Ms. Bost moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Scroggy seconded the motion which was unanimously approved

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**APPROVED BY THE TIDE COMMITTEE**

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Angela K. Davis, Municipal Clerk