

MINUTES
APRIL 14, 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, Jay Watts and Joey Bagwell Council Members. *Quorum of Council Present.*

Call to Order

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Councilman Renner led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance and the invocation.

Approval of Minutes

- A. Public Hearing Meeting Minutes, March 10, 2022**-Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve the Public Hearing Meeting Minutes from March 10, 2022. The motion was seconded by Councilman Watts and unanimously approved.
- B. Regular Council Meeting Minutes, March 10, 2022**-Councilman Renner moved to approve the regular council meeting minutes of March 10, 2022. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bagwell and unanimously approved.

Presentations and Proclamations

A. Starfish Awards:

- 1. **Iris Hill**-Councilman Renner presented Administrator Iris Hill with a Starfish award for her exemplary work to provide the Town with the Monthly Highlight Newsletter.

B. Proclamations:

- 1. **Proclamation 2022-P13 - Proclaiming April 29, 2022, as "Tony Savage Day"**-Councilman Renner moved to approve Proclamation 2022-P13 proclaiming April 29, 2022, as Tony Savage Day. The motion was seconded by Councilman Watts and was unanimously approved.
- 2. **Proclamation 2022-P16 - Proclaiming May 2022, as "Building Safety Month"**. Councilman Watts moved to approve Proclamation 2022-P16 proclaiming May 2022 as Building Safety Month. Councilman Watts moved to approve Proclamation 2022-P16 proclaiming May 2022 as "Building Safety Month". The motion was seconded by Councilman Renner and was unanimously approved.

Public Comment Period

There were no comments from the public.

Old Business

- 2. **Ordinance No. 2021-13 Temporary Sewer Moratorium to be reviewed every 30 days until resolved.** The project has been bid and there was only one bid and it was substantially higher than the estimated cost. The consultant is working on a solution. Ownership transfer documents have been mailed.

C. New Business

1. **Second Modification of Agreement between the Town and Republic Services of South Carolina, LLC.** This agreement provides an additional 12 weeks of twice weekly residential service with the weeks to be determined annually by the Town; to provide an amendment to the fee rate schedule beginning April 1, 2022; to amend the initial term to expire June 30, 2025 and authorize the Town Administrator to execute said agreement. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve the second modification of the Agreement between the Town of Edisto Beach and Republic Services of South Carolina, LLC. The motion was seconded by Councilman Renner and was unanimously approved.
2. **First Reading of Ordinance 2022-14 to Enact Article IV of Chapter 78 of the Town of Edisto Beach Code of Ordinances entitled "Wrecker Services".** This ordinance authorizes the Edisto Beach Police Department to maintain a wrecker rotation list for interested wrecker service providers who meet the provisions of this ordinance. Provisions include items such as maintaining proper equipment, business license, insurance and offering reasonable fees and response times. Councilman Renner moved to approve the first reading of ordinance 2022-14 to enact Article IV of Chapter 78 of the Town of Edisto Beach Code of Ordinances entitled "Wrecker Services". The motion was seconded by Councilman Watts and was unanimously approved.
3. **First Reading of Ordinance 2022-15 to Amend Sections 2-51 and 2-55 and Enact Article 5 of Chapter 2 of the Town of Edisto Beach Code of Ordinances.** This ordinance revises the quorum and rules of order provisions, provides procedures for conducting meetings of Town Council by electronic means and enacts Article 5 of Chapter 2 related to meetings of Town Boards, and committees and provides for severability and an effective date. Councilman Bagwell moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-15 to amend sections 2-51 and 2-55 and enact Article 5 of Chapter 2 of the Town of Edisto Beach Code of Ordinances. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer seconded the motion and was unanimously approved.
4. **Extension to Janitorial Services Contract with Phoenix Home Care, LLC for Janitorial services at Bay Creek Park and the Civic Center.** This extension is the remaining one-year extension option and will expire May 31, 2023. This extension includes a rate increase in consideration of the length of time that has passed since the fees were established and the current market conditions. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve the extension to Janitorial Service Contract with Phoenix Home Care, LLC for janitorial services at Bay Creek Park and the Civic Center. Councilman Renner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
5. **2022 Monthly Meeting Dates Calendar Adjustment.** This adjustment addresses changing court dates and meeting times for the remainder of 2022. Councilman Watts moved to approve the 2022 monthly meeting dates calendar adjustment. The motion was seconded by Councilman Renner and was unanimously approved.
6. **Special Event Application from Edisto Island Open Land Trust for an Auction Celebration at Bay Creek Park on June 18th.** Councilman Bagwell moved to approve the special event application from the Edisto Island Open Land Trust for an auction celebration at Bay Creek Park on June 18. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kizer and was unanimously approved.

7. **Special Event Application from King’s Daughters for the King’s Daughters Yard and Bake Sale at the Lions Club on May 7th.** Councilman Renner moved to approve the special event application from the King’s Daughters for the King’s Daughters yard and bake sale at the Lion’s Club on May 7 from 9 am to 2 pm. The motion was seconded by Councilman Watts and was unanimously approved.

D. Committee Vacancies

1. **Beachfront Management Committee – 2 vacancies.** Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to continue to advertise for the vacancies. Councilman Renner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
2. Construction Board of Appeals – 1 vacancy
3. Planning Commission – 2 vacancies. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve advertising for the two vacancies. Councilman Watts seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

- E. Council Time-**Mayor Moore wished all a Happy Easter. Councilman Watts informed the audience that 55 COVID booster shots were given and another clinic will be scheduled in May.

Department Reports

Administration

Town Administrator Iris Hill thanked Council for their consideration and approval of the \$2,500 premium pay for each full-time employee.

	Received	Spent
General Fund	81.19%	59.97 %
Water Fund	63.81 %	67.22 %
Wastewater Fund	71.11 %	58.64 %

Freedom of Information Act Requests

During the month of March 2022, the Town of Edisto Beach received fourteen Freedom of Information Act requests. The Building Department received all the requests.

Building

Building Codes Administrator Brown thanked Council for the premium pay. He informed Council that Beach Access 11 was now open for golf cart parking only. The handicap markings at beach access 35 have been repainted. The walkover at Beach Access 37 has been removed by the Utilities Department and a beach mat has been installed.

	March 2021	March 2022	YTD
Business/Rental License Fees	\$69,648.34	\$89,684.39	\$182,480.73
New Construction Permits	0	3	23
Other Permits	35	56	405
Permit Fees	\$3,527.50	\$17,179	\$116,187
Inspections	42	131	927

Fire

Chief Conley informed Council they had performed station cleanup in preparation of the tourist season.

Calls	March 2021	March 2022	YTD
Medical	13	7	192
Fire-Related	2	0	14
EMS/Misc.	4	7	124
Beach Wheelchairs	0	5	95
Water Rescue	0	0	12
Welfare Checks	0	0	14

Police

Chief Miano informed Council that Spring Break is here! He stated that the Beach Patrol's uniform has been updated. Lt. Daniel Seyle has been promoted to Assistant Chief and Sgt Casey Herring has been promoted to Lieutenant. He will be holding a Palmetto Retailers Education Program (PREP) on April 27 for those businesses that sell alcohol and tobacco. He is also working on several grants. He stated from January 1, 2022 to April 5, 2022, Folly Beach's license plate reader counted 287,694 vehicles and Edisto's LPR counted 278,257 vehicles.

	March 2021	March 2022	YTD
Miles Patrolled	10,301	8,380	70,953
Incidents & Calls for Service	96	99	1,324
Property Checks	1,192	857	6,949
Town Parking Tickets	38	37	533

Utilities

MG (Million gallons)	March 2021	March 2022	YTD
Pumped MG Water	11.94	12.1	139.01
Treated MG Wastewater	3.44	2.3	24.75
Water Line Repairs	7	4	30
Work Order Repairs	40	44	286

Public Works


Utilities Director Patrick Zemp informed Town Council that the Utilities Department responded to forty-four utility calls, installed nine water taps, and changed out thirteen meters.

Mr. Zemp informed Town Council that final closeout of the sine-wave filter installation for wells 7, 8, and 9 has been completed.

Mr. Zemp informed Town Council that the Public Works department have completed twenty-five trash can work orders, more than thirty street sign work orders and 38 miscellaneous work orders. Mr. Zemp also stated that the department is working on the vine street bike path and will place this on a monthly schedule. They graded beach access 5 for golf cart parking.

Adjournment

APPROVED BY TOWN COUNCIL


Dominica Stalvey, Municipal Clerk