

**TIDE COMMITTEE**  
**March 1, 2023**  
**3:00 p.m.**  
**Edisto Beach Town Hall**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Betsy Daise, Chair, and Edey Graves, Virginia Stevenson, Lisa White

**Absent:** Camille Lemon (excused)

**Staff Present:** Town Administrator Mark Aakhus, Special Events Coordinator Phyllis McElveen

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m. by Chair Daise.

**Approval of Minutes – February 1, 2023**

Ms. Stephenson made a motion to approve the minutes of February 1, 2023. Ms. Graves seconded this motion, which was approved unanimously.

**Old Business**

**Keep Edisto Beautiful**

Discussion was held on the following items:

- Beach Access Adoption Rules and Procedures
  - Regarding the liability form, Mr. Aakhus noted he will ask our Town Attorney to review the document, and he hasn't yet heard back from her.
- Beach Adoption Guidelines
  - As discussed at the prior meeting, discussion on the changes needed to the guidelines, which requires Kristi Outland's attention and guidance.
  - General consensus of the committee was garbage pick-up and collection should not be a task for the individuals who have adopted beach accesses, and individuals should only report problems or concerns. Questions asked on what means will these issues be communicated, and to whom – the Town or Keep Edisto Beautiful?
  - Ms. Stephenson noted she forwarded to Mr. Aakhus and Mrs. Stalvey suggested revised guidelines which included: (1) report any problems with trash and debris; (2) report any safety issues such as obstruction along the beach path; (3) report any maintenance issues or signs needing repairs; (4) Report if dog waste disposal stations need repair or bag replenishment.
  - Ms. Stephenson also suggested a general statement as follows: "All issues are to be reported through the Town's website via the Report a Problem link. No one is to initiate changes or begin any work at beach accesses."
  - Discussion held on the burn center can collection. Ms. Outland noted at the prior meeting she would give some thought to this, but we haven't heard back from her. As well, Ms. Stephenson noted that Peter Beck volunteered to pick-up the cans from a couple beach accesses.

**New Business**

**Bay Creek Park Benches and Tables**

Phyllis McElveen, Special Projects Coordinator, shared with the Committee the proposed purchases for new park benches and tables at Bay Creek Park. Ms. McElveen presented two types of picnic table styles, and each type was discussed. An issue with the tables is with water draining and faster drying. The perforated coated steel tables in blue were preferred by the members of the Committee.

**Updates**

Mr. Aakhus noted the following:

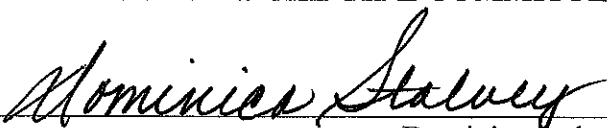
- Wayfinding signs were installed
- Vine Street Bike Path paving will be completed mid-March

**Adjournment**

There being no more business to discuss, Ms. Graves made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Stephenson seconded the meeting, which was approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 3:51 p.m.

**APPROVED BY THE TIDE COMMITTEE**

  
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Dominica Stalvey  
May 3, 2023