

TIDE COMMITTEE
March 6, 2024
3:00 p.m.
Edisto Beach Town Hall

Minutes

Present: Betsy Daise, Chair, and Edye Graves, Lisa White, Gary Cantrell, and Lynne Grout

Absent: Clark McCrary and Camille Lemon

Staff Present: Town Administrator Mark Aakhus, Assistant Town Administrator Dee Stalvey, and Municipal Clerk Donna Iskra

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Betsy Daise, Chair, at 3:00 p.m.

Introduction of Committee Member Lynne Grout:

Ms. Daise introduced Ms. Lynne Grout to the Committee.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Daise made a motion to approve the minutes of December 6, 2023. The motion was approved unanimously.

Nomination and Appointment of Chair; and Nomination and Appointment of Vice Chair

- A. Appoint Temporary Chair: Ms. Graves made a motion to appoint Gary Cantrell as Temporary Chair. The motion was seconded by Ms. Daise, which was approved unanimously.
- B. Nominations from the floor for Chair: Ms. White made a motion to appoint Mr. Cantrell as Chair. The motion was seconded by Ms. Graves, which was approved unanimously.
- C. Nominations on the floor for Vice Chair: Ms. White made a motion to appoint Ms. Graves as Vice Chair. Ms. Daise seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.
- D. Voting was concluded and nominations were closed.

Town Administrator Updates

Mr. Aakhus reported on the following items:

- Mr. Aakhus presented the recycling magnets designed by Phyllis McElveen, Special Projects Coordinator, and reported she will be distributing these to local real estate rental companies.
- The Jungle Road Park bathroom project is nearing completion and anticipated opening will be after the sewer moratorium is lifted.
- DOT has completed the trimming of vegetation along Jungle Road.

- Recommendation has been made to DOT regarding the repaving of Jungle Road, recapturing the easements for bike paths on both the ocean-side and the marsh-side.
- The grant submitted to the Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) for the repaving of Jungle Shores Bike Path has been approved. The next step is final approval from the National Park Service.
- Bids were received to repair the pier at Bay Creek Park. There will be a meeting to determine if funding is available from grant money for the project.

New Business/General Discussion

- A. Ms. Stalvey, working with Mrs. Daise prepared and presented the report of accomplishments for 2023.
- B. KEB met on February 22, 2024. Ms. Daise reported Camille Lemon attended the meeting to represent the TIDE Committee. She shared with the committee KEB is working on their website and wants to involve schools and church groups in trash pickup projects. Board Members have been chosen and will be presented to Town Council at the March 14, 2024, meeting for approval. Mr. Aakhus stated Council wants TIDE and KEB to collaborate to optimize goals and determine how money is spent. Kristi Outlander is expected to attend the TIDE meeting scheduled for April 3, 2024, to report on beach accesses.
- C. Ms. Stalvey, working with Mrs. Daise drafted the annual report for 2023 and goals 2024-2025. There were no additional goals or objections noted so Ms. Daise made a motion to approve the goals as written. Ms. Graves seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously. (This document will be attached to the minutes.)
- D. Ms. Graves suggested a recycle station be placed at the grocery store to make it convenient for residents and beachgoers to recycle their cans. Possible locations were discussed, and there will be further discussion at next month's meeting after information is gathered.
- E. Mr. Cantrell noted that some of the street signs are moldy and missing. Mr. Aakhus stated signs are being replaced with more tamperproof brackets. DOT is responsible for the street signs and is very responsive to online public reporting of maintenance requests.

Adjournment

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

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE TIDE COMMITTEE



Donna Iskra, Municipal Clerk
May 1, 2024