

TIDE COMMITTEE
January 8, 2025
3:00 p.m.
Edisto Beach Town Hall

Minutes

Present: Gary Cantrell, Chair, and Betsy Daise, Edye Graves, Lisa White, Camille Lemon, Ron Johnson, and Lynne Grout

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

Call to Order

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

Introduction of Committee Member Ron Johnson

Mr. Cantrell introduced Mr. Ron Johnson to the Committee.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Graves made a motion to approve the minutes of September 4, 2024. Ms. White seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

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

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

Town Administrator Updates

Mr. Aakhus reported on the following items:

- Mr. Aakhus noted new beach access signage has been ordered and are in production.
- Jungle Road Park bathrooms are now open. The ADA signage is to be painted, landscaping and crush and run installation is forthcoming. The bike repair stand will be installed in the next few weeks.
- DOT TAP grant has been approved for the bike paths and the engineers are working on the elevation to prevent flooding. Bids will go out once received.
- There were some power poles replaced due to the storms this past year so many of the Christmas lights were not lit. We are working with Dominion on getting power restored on those poles. Mr. Aakhus will share a spread sheet with the committee of existing placement of the lights.

New Business/General Discussion

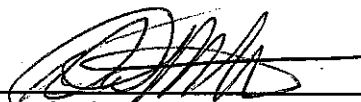
- Mr. Cantrell reviewed the TIDE committee members' responsibilities and Ms. Lemon quoted from the bylaws the purpose of the committee.
- Mr. Cantrell asked for an updated list of the beach access adoption project.
- Ms. White and Ms. Graves noted the Christmas tree at Beach Access 10 was a huge success and stated next year they will do even more to get the word out about the tree.
- Ms. Lemon stated the recycling center is being used more often since the one on 174 is not allowing Colleton County residents entrance. The suggestion was made to have the dumpsters emptied more frequently. Mr. Aakhus noted the dumpsters are monitored and emptied in the most cost-effective manner. Mr. Aakhus also noted they are looking into a cabinet or shed for paint and oil.
- Mr. Cantrell asked for an update on the Dominion tree planting project. Mr. Aakhus answered Dominion has pledged \$25,000 to replant trees with the stipulation the funds go through a non-profit such as KEB or Lions Club. The committee could give a recommendation on where the trees are to be planted.
- Ms. Cantrell requested an update on the repaving of Jungle Road. Mr. Aakhus answered the project is scheduled to begin between spring and summer seasons or possibly after the summer.
- Mr. Cantrell reviewed the goals for 2024-2025. Ms. Graves suggested the TIDE Committee make an effort to be more involved with KEB by attending meetings. Ms. Lemon recommended a recycling weekend, and Mr. Johnson added the possibility of a Shred Event and a bucket at certain beach accesses, residents and visitors can use to pick up trash. Ms. Grout suggested a different location for the recycling trailer making it more accessible to people leaving the beach.

Adjournment

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

The meeting was adjourned at 3:58 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE TIDE COMMITTEE



Donna Iskra, Municipal Clerk
February 5, 2025