TIDE COMMITTEE April 2, 2025 3:00 p.m. Edisto Beach Town Hall

Minutes

<u>Present</u>: Gary Cantrell, Chair; Edye Graves, Vice-Chair; Betsy Daise, Ron Johnson, Camille Lemon, and Lisa White, Members

Absent: Lynne Grout (excused)

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

Call to Order

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

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Daise made a motion to approve the minutes of March 5, 2025. Ms. Graves seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Town Administrator Updates

Mr. Aakhus reported on the following items:

- The blue reflectors for roads in town have been ordered.
- New beach access signage should arrive by early April. Mr. Aakhus and Councilman Kizer have installed stakes at the locations and 811 has been called.
- Edisto Island Open Land Trust signage has been installed at Bay Creek Park.
- Marine ropes and posts are scheduled for installation.
- The new metal street signs have been installed, and additional ones are on order.

New Business/General Discussion

- A. Update on KEB Activities (Lisa White and Ron Johnson)
 - o 25 volunteers met for Island-wide clean-up and picked up approximately 60 bags of trash.
 - o 15 of the 37 beach accesses have been adopted.
 - o Beach Sweep is scheduled for April 19, 2025.
 - The KEB website still needs some work, but it is improving. They are also using Facebook as a platform.

B. Open Discussion

- o Mr. Cantrell asked about the mats at beach accesses. Mr. Aakhus responded the mats will be installed in the next few weeks. Mr. Aakhus noted the Town orders a few new mats each year as they do require heavy management. They are ADA friendly and encourage people to stay on the paths.
- Mr. Aakhus noted additional trash cans will be placed at beach accesses during the summer.
- o Mr. Cantrell requested a poundage total from the upcoming Shred Day.

- Mr. Cantrell asked if the Town was addressing the issue of trespass lighting.
 Mr. Aakhus noted this matter is not included in Town Council plans at this time.
- O After discussion regarding the pilot program for recycle cans at various beach accesses, Mr. Aakhus suggested the Committee offer a recommendation on whether this pilot program should continue. Ms. Graves noted private citizens are prohibited from putting anything on private property, such as recycling containers, without proper approval.

C. Shred Event

o Ms. Iskra has distributed event fliers to all surrounding businesses.

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 Rizer, Municipal Clerk

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June 4, 2025