

MINUTES
TOWN OF EDISTO BEACH
BEACHFRONT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
April 10, 2025
11:00 a.m.

Present: Dallas Lovelace, Chair, Stanley Hergott, Paul Oakley, and Marie Bost, Committee Members.

Staff Present: Mayor Crawford Moore, Council Member Jay Watts, Town Administrator Mark Aakhus, Assistant Town Administrator Dee Stalvey, Municipal Clerk Donna Iskra.

Call to Order

Chairman Lovelace called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

Approval of Minutes – December 12, 2024

Mr. Hergott made a motion to approve the minutes of December 12, 2024, which was seconded by Ms. Bost. The motion passed unanimously.

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

- A. Nominations from the floor for Chair: Mr. Oakley made a motion to appoint Dr. Lovelace as Chair. Mr. Hergott seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.
- B. Nominations from the floor for Vice Chair: Mr. Hergott made a motion to appoint Ms. Bost as Vice Chair. Chair Lovelace seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Update on Edisto Beach Storm Risk Management Project from Town Administrator

- Mr. Aakhus reported that USACE Project Manager Mark Messersmith noted the project is still in the 95% design plan stage, and the design is going through the approval process.
- Mr. Aakhus reported that the appraisals for the beach renourishment project were completed and submitted to USACE on October 1, 2024 per the USACE provided Non-Federal Sponsor Guide, however we have been recently informed that USACE may now impose a different methodology requirement on the appraisals which will change the valuation.
- Mayor Moore and Mr. Aakhus met with the USACE-South Atlantic District real estate director on April 1 regarding the renourishment project and the appraisals. No significant progress was reported; they are awaiting further information from the director.
- The Mayor and Mr. Aakhus have a meeting scheduled with Senator Lindsey Graham's office next week to discuss the federal project.
- Mr. Aakhus reported the application from the State for easements from the State Park was received, and Mr. Aakhus and Attorney Bennett are working through that application.
- Mayor Moore thanked the committee members for serving and dedicating their time.

Open Discussion

- Resident George Kostell noted Mr. Mark Messersmith is scheduled to speak at the upcoming Edisto Beach Property Owners Association meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Oakley moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Bost seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

APPROVED BY THE BEACHFRONT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



Donna Rizer, Municipal Clerk
July 10, 2025