Town of Edisto Beach

Monthly Highlights

April 2023



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Figure 1. Mandatory Safety Zone for Unqualified Workers

Dominion Energy Palmetto Tree Removal

Dominion Energy is scheduled to begin removing palmetto trees located within the "Mandatory Safety Zone" on April 10th (see diagram below). This area is located within the Dominion Energy right-of-way (ROW). A palmetto tree trunk located on property which has a canopy extending into the ROW is also subject to removal by Dominion Energy. The palmetto trees intended for removal have been marked with a white dot at the base of the tree. As a company-wide policy, Dominion Energy has informed the Town they will no longer trim palmetto trees. Dominion will only remove palmetto trees that would otherwise be subject to trimming. According to Dominion, "Palmetto trees pose unique challenges because of their growth habit and cannot be directionally pruned or reduced in height like other trees. Side pruning is not recommended because palmettos will quickly replace the pruned fronds. The best solution for palmetto trees interfering with

utility facilities is removal to safeguard both our employees and the public." Per OSHA standards, private contractors, landscapers, tree trimming crews, etc., are not permitted to work on or trim trees within 10 feet of energized electrical wires and equipment, unless they are specifically trained to do so and are considered "qualified." Please see Page 2 for links to FAQs, Considerations for replanting within Dominion ROW, a Safety Brochure, a Map of Powerlines within the Town, and the Dominion Energy Customer Agreement. (Continued on Page 2)

Any questions or concerns should be directed to Dominion Energy at 1-800-251-7234.

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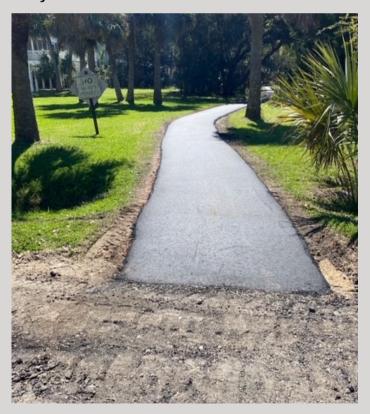
- Trees, Trimming & Power Lines (FAQs) Dominion Energy
- SC Considerations for power line planting
- UAA Safety Brochure
- 2023 Municipal Map (Town of Edisto Beach)
- Dominion Energy Customer Agreement



Vine Street Bike Path Completed

The Vine Street Bike Path project was completed the week of March 13th. The total proiect amount was \$94,288, with fifty percent reimbursed through the National Park Service via the State's Land, Water Conservation Fund. Steed Pavina completed the repaying. As well,

Steed Paving repaved Jenkins Street during the week of March 13th, a project budgeted under the Town's General Fund Capital Improvement Projects.



Employment Opportunities

The Town of Edisto Beach has several employment opportunities, including two police officer positions, full-time

firefighter positions, and Municipal Clerk/HR Assistant. Links to applications and job descriptions may be found <u>HERE</u> on our website.

New Wayfinding Signs and Burley L. Lyons Park

The Town of Edisto Beach has several new park and wayfinding signs, including at Burley L. Lyons Park and at Jungle Road Park. The signs were approved by Town Council at its November 10th meeting and were designed and produced by FastSigns.

At the March 9th Council meeting, Mayor Crawford Moore presented Mrs. Susan Lyons Pratt with the old park sign bearing her father's name. Mr. Lyons had a long history with Edisto Beach, including serving as Mayor for many years.







Colleton County EMS

Effective April 1st, Colleton County will place a second ambulance in service at Station 20 which located on 42 Station Court across from the Edisto Civic Center. On an annual basis, Colleton County places second ambulance in supplement service to the additional summer demand.



March Town Council Meeting Highlights

At the regular monthly Town Council meeting on March 9th, Council approved the following items:

 Resolution No. 2023-R04 committing the Town of Edisto Beach to providing a local match for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG). resolution commits provide an \$8,000 local match to an \$80,000 grant request to purchase a Report Management System/Computer Automated Dispatch System to improve officer safetv and interoperability with Colleton County.

 First Reading of Ordinance No. Adoption 2023-03 of the Comprehensive Plan 2023. The Planning Commission approved this plan. The Second Reading of this Ordinance will take place at the April 13th monthly Town Council meeting. Prior to this meeting, a Public Hearing will be held at 5:55 p.m. for public comments regarding the plan.

For additional information, please check our website. As a reminder, Council agendas and minutes are found on our website <u>HERE</u>.

Bay Creek Park Market Opens April 5th

The Bay Creek Park Market will begin on Wednesday, April 5th, from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., and will continue weekly on Wednesdays until October 25th. Local and regional crafters and artisans will original paintings, showcase handmade jewelry, purses, home decor, and bath and body products. will continue Gruber's Farms providing fresh produce and plans to add fresh flowers at this year's Market. Food items will include the famous Big Daddy Pork skins, K&K Kettle Corn, and Dem Ravies food truck will serve coffee, breakfast,

and lunch items. Please make plans to join us and our vendors at the Market!

