

Town of Edisto Beach

Monthly Highlights

July 2025



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“Salute from the Shore”

“**Salute from the Shore**” will take place on July 4, and the flyover is expected over Edisto beginning at 1:24 p.m. Keep up to date on this information by checking out the Salute from the Shore website [here](#).

4th of July

July 4th Family Fun and Fireworks Show

All are welcome to join us at the Town of Edisto Beach July 4th Family Fun and Fireworks Show! The event will be held from 6-9 p.m. on Independence Day at Bay Creek Park.

Bring your picnic baskets, blankets, and good vibes as we celebrate together. Games and music will be featured during the evening. Also, make sure to enjoy the Town’s new dock at Bay Creek Park. A great fireworks show will cap off the evening!



Reminder: New SC Golf Cart Law

As we end June’s Golf Cart Safety Month, please note a new South Carolina golf cart law was signed by the Governor in May. While the Town is still working on specifics regarding this new law, the most important item people must abide by is the seat belt requirement for children under the age of 12 years old. At the July monthly meeting, Town Council will consider the first reading of an ordinance which includes the specifics of the new law.



Burley L. Lyons Park Improvement Project

As the Town shared on June 20, the Burley L. Lyons Park Project is on hold while a resident's appeal is heard in the State of South Carolina Administrative Law Court. The appeal alleges this project was not properly advertised by the contractor and the SC Department of Environmental Services.

This project involves adding a boardwalk along the existing, well-worn, and utilized foot path leading to a 200 square foot community dock. According to public records, there are more than 10 private docks on the lake, several of which are at or larger than 200 square feet.

As per Town Council action, the project was sent to the TIDE Committee for possible recommendations regarding location and configuration change. The TIDE Committee discussed this matter at the June 4 meeting, and a few residents were present to express their views on the proposed dock, both in support and opposition to the project. The TIDE Committee, however, will not offer recommendations to Town Council until the appeal matter is resolved.

The link to this complete update may be found here: [Lyons Park](#). The Town's Recreation Plan may be found at this link: [Recreation Plan](#).



Burley L. Lyons Park

Fire Safe Community Recognition

At the 2025 Fire-Rescue Annual Conference in Myrtle Beach on June 13, the Edisto Beach Fire Department was one of 207 fire departments across the state that received the 2024 Fire Safe Community Designation. Chief Denney Conley attended the conference and received the Town's certificate.

The Edisto Beach Fire Department and Volunteer Fire Department work to reduce home fire-related injuries by promoting consistent fire and safety messaging and by stressing the need for all members of the community to be educated in fire safety, which decreases the risk for both residents and firefighters.

In order to earn Community Designation, the EBFD completed courses to increase the department's Community Risk Reduction efforts, documented opportunities for public education, and worked with partners to address risks.

Partners in Fire Safe SC include the SC State Firefighters' Association, the SC Association of Fire Chiefs, the SC Fire Marshal Association, among others.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Edisto Beach Fire Department and volunteers for their great work!



Chief Conley at the 2025 Fire-Rescue Conference

Public Works Hard at Work

From mowing grass to replacing signs to installing fencing and everything in between, the Town's Public Works employees are always hard at work!

Julian "Hoss" Meggett, Tray Simmons, and Clayton Branham are three men who do the work of many more! Even during these particularly hot summer days, they brave the hot sun and humidity to ensure the Town of Edisto Beach looks as good as possible.

On this particular day (see photo below), Hoss, Tray, and Clayton were working together in order to install new street signs as quickly as possible.

Utilities/Public Works Director Patrick Zemp lauds the work of the crew, particularly when done through the hottest summer days and the coldest winter days. "Being in the elements isn't fun, but the work must be done, and Hoss, Tray, and Clayton give their all to do so. Many residents are grateful for their work, and let us know that."

We thank Hoss, Tray, and Clayton for their professionalism and dedication to getting the job done!



Tray Simmons, Hoss Meggett, and Clayton Branham

Girl Scout Troop Meets with Beach Patrol

On June 2, the Girl Scouts troop from the Walterboro area spent time with Police Sergeant Greg Poole and Beach Patrol Officer Joe Stalvey. The Girl Scouts learned about beach patrol responsibilities, beach rules, and how to keep the beach clean and safe for all visitors.

The Girl Scouts spent a few days on the beach and Edisto Island learning about the many things that make this part of the world special.

Thank you for visiting, and we look forward to welcoming you back again soon!



Police Sergeant Greg Poole and Beach Patrol Officer Joe Stalvey

McConkey Square Project Completed

On May 30, Town Council approved an emergency procurement to install riprap along McConkey Square in order to deal with a serious erosion issue along the outfall. The project was completed in late-June.



June 12, 2025 Council Meeting

At the regular monthly Town Council meeting held on June 12, 2025, the following items were approved by Council:

- Second Reading of Ordinance 2025-09 to Adopt the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget. The projected fiscal year 2025-2026 revenue and projected expenditures are at \$11,933,672. The millage will remain at the current 30.17 mills for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.
- Agreement with SCDOT for the Transportation Alternatives Program Bike Path Improvement Project, Phase I, \$600,000. This phase consists of the preliminary engineering, design, and right-of-way needed for the widening of the existing bike paths along Docksite Road, Yacht Club Road, Edisto Street, and Lee Street, and the construction of approximately 150 linear feet of new path on Lee Street.
- Bid for Jungle Shores Bike Path Repaving Project, \$136,712.42. This bid was awarded to Truluck Roadway Services, LLC, for the repaving of approximately 4,352 linear feet of a 5-foot-wide asphalt bike path.
- Charles Ned Kuntz approved for a six-year term to serve on the Municipal Election Commission.
- Special Event Applications, including:
 - Hackett Family 4th of July Parade with set-up at 9 a.m. and the parade at 10 a.m. from Mikell to Neptune Streets along Myrtle Street.
 - Edisto Beach Shag Festival: August 29-30, 2025, from 12 noon to 10 p.m., at Bay Creek Park.
 - SC Triathlon Series: November 1, 2025, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

As a reminder, Council agendas and minutes are found on our website [HERE](#).



Starfish Awards

Mayor Moore and Town Council members recognized the following individuals with Starfish Awards during the June 12 meeting:

- Robbie and Hollace Savage, Edisto Essentials, for their generous support in donating the use of two LSVs during the April 25 EOC/Town Hall groundbreaking ceremony.
- Bryan Herring, who coaxed a wayward spider monkey into his arms so that the monkey could be reunited with its owners.
- George Kostell for his service as a long-standing member of the Planning Commission and for working tirelessly to create a better Edisto Beach for all.
- Paul Otte, Utilities Department, nominated by resident Dr. Bill Gallman for his polite, professional, and efficient manner while dealing with a pipe rupture on May 18.



Mayor Moore with Hollace and Robbie Savage



Mayor Moore with Bryan Herring



Mayor Moore with George Kostell