

Town of Edisto Beach

Monthly Highlights

November 2025



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**Reminder/Town Council
Work Session - Monday,
November 10, 10:00 a.m.**

**Town Hall will be closed on
November 11 in observance
of Veterans Day.**

Vacancies/Town Committees

Please use the
link below to
apply for
vacancies on the
TIDE Committee
(3 vacancies).
Please apply by
November 5th.

**[Committee
Application](#)**

November 4 - Election Day Reminder

As a reminder, the Municipal General Election for the Town of Edisto Beach will be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, for the purpose of electing two (2) Town Council Members to serve a term of four years.

The polling place for this November 4 election will be the Edisto Beach Town Hall, 2414 Murray Street, Edisto Beach. The polls will open at 7:00 a.m. and will remain continuously open until they are closed at 7:00 p.m. on the evening of November 4, 2025.

Please note that construction activities at the new EOC/Town Hall will be suspended on Election Day, and Murray Street will be reopened to ensure that vehicles and voters can maneuver easily through the area.

Information regarding elections may also be found on the Town's website [HERE](#). The sample ballot is available on the website and is posted on the Town Hall bulletin board.

For additional Election Day details and voter information, please visit the Colleton County website [HERE](#).

The Municipal Election Commission will hold a public meeting on November 6, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., in Town Hall Council Chambers for the purpose of certifying votes. The agenda for this meeting will be posted on the Town's website.

Drainage Study - Informational Session to be Held on Monday, November 10, 10:30 a.m.

An information session with Davis & Floyd engineers regarding the Town-wide Planning Strategy and the Yacht Club Road Drainage Study will be held on Monday, November 10, 2025, at 10:30 a.m., in Town Hall Council Chambers.

At this informational session, Davis & Floyd will present the Town-wide planning strategy and the Yacht Club Road drainage study, including detailed next steps and associated cost estimates. Davis & Floyd representatives will also answer questions during this informational session.

Please join us on November 10 at 10:30 a.m. to hear updates on this important matter.

Installation of Automated Water Meters

As has been shared previously, the Town has contracted Fortiline Waterworks to complete the installation and implementation of the automated metering infrastructure (AMI). This process is expected to continue for several months.

Currently, meter boxes are being removed and new meters are being installed. As well, the Town is undergoing utilities data conversion for the new program, and arrangements are being finalized to train Town staff on the software program that accompanies this new automated system.

The Town received \$1 million in state legislative funding through South Carolina's State Earmark Program to fund this project.



Old Meter



New Meter

Jungle Road Park Butterfly Garden

As per Town Council approval on September 11, a butterfly garden will be installed at Jungle Road Park.

The TIDE Committee presented this recommendation to Town Council in an effort to enhance the park's natural beauty and provide ecological benefits, as well as create a welcoming public space which supports pollinator species.

RFP #2025-06 for Jungle Road Landscaping Services-Butterfly Garden has been released for bids, and the specifics may be found [HERE](#).



Public Notice - Sand Fencing

TOWN OF EDISTO BEACH, SC PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Edisto Beach has applied to the South Carolina Department of Environmental Services-Bureau of Coastal Management (DES-BCM) for a General Permit to repair and replace sand fencing at the public beach along the Atlantic Ocean in Edisto Beach, Colleton County. Comments on this application must be submitted to BCM at: 1362 McMillan Avenue, Suite 400, Charleston, SC 29405 by November 15, 2025.

Recreational Fires - Revised Ordinance

Following two readings, Town Council approved the following amendment to Section 42-5 on October 9, 2025, which revised the Recreational Fires ordinance. The approved ordinance appears below.

Amend Section 42-5 of the Town's Code of Ordinances Fire Prevention and Protection

Sec. 42-5. - Recreational Fires.

Definitions:

Rubbish Fire: fire used to burn garbage, landscape waste or any other waste material.

Recreational Fire: outdoor yard fire used for pleasure, cooking, warmth, or ceremonial purposes in compliance with the provisions below.

Fire Suppression Equipment: fire extinguisher, outdoor water hose connected to a water source.

Approved Outdoor Fire Feature: a constructed or manufactured device, structure, or area designed to safely contain and utilize fire for recreational purposes in an outdoor setting. This term includes, but is not limited to, fire pits, fire bowls, chimineas, outdoor fireplaces, and other similar fire containment devices, whether portable or permanently installed. Outdoor fire features are distinct from open burning, rubbish fires, or land-clearing fires, as they are specifically designed to restrict flames within a controlled and enclosed space.

No person shall kindle or maintain any outdoor Rubbish Fire within the town limits. No person shall kindle or maintain a Recreational Fire on the sandy beach or any other public property unless a permit is secured from the fire department. No person shall kindle or maintain a Recreational Fire unless it is located on private property and in accordance with the provisions below. The issuance of any required permit is based solely at the discretion of the fire chief or his designee, and the provisions here within.

(a) General. Fires allowed by this section shall not include Rubbish Fires. Fuel for a Recreational Fire shall consist only of dry,

seasoned firewood and shall be ignited with a small quantity of paper. No accelerants are to be used to ignite the firewood. Recreational Fires may be permitted only under the following conditions.

1. Constant supervision of the fire must be maintained from the time it is kindled until it is extinguished.

2. Fire Suppression Equipment must be located onsite and immediately available.

3. Fire must be located and contained in an Approved Outdoor Fire Feature.

(b) Location Restricted. A person shall not kindle or maintain any Recreational Fire or authorize any such fire to be kindled or maintained unless: the fire is contained in an Approved Outdoor Fire Feature located safely not less than fifteen (15) feet from any structure, fire shall not be more than (3) feet in diameter and (2) feet in height of pile size, and no open flame shall be permitted on any wooden deck or enclosed area and not permitted under any residence or structure.

1.Placement Under Trees. Recreational Fires shall not be kindled, maintained, or authorized under the canopy of trees or within areas where overhanging branches, leaves, or vegetation could be ignited by rising embers or heat. A minimum clearance of fifteen (15) vertical feet shall be maintained between the highest point of the Approved Outdoor Fire Feature and any overhead combustible vegetation. The Fire Official may require greater clearances if conditions present an elevated fire hazard.

(c) Permanent location. The location for any permanent, in-ground recreational Approved Outdoor Fire Feature shall not be less than 15 feet from any structure (habitable or accessory), combustible materials (wooden fences, deck, play structures, etc.) and all property lines.

(d) Prohibited Recreational Fires. The Fire Official may prohibit any or all Recreational Fires when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fire hazardous, or which are or could be offensive or objectionable due to smoke or odor emissions. The Fire Official shall order the extinguishment of any Recreational Fire, which creates or adds to a hazardous or objectionable situation.

(e) Beaches. See Sec. 10-39. - Fires prohibited.

This ordinance shall take effect upon final reading.

October 9, 2025 Council Meeting

At the regular monthly Town Council meeting held on October 9, 2025, the following items were approved by Council:

- Second Reading of Ordinance 2025-11, Amendment to Section 42-5, Fire Prevention and Protection, Recreational Fires, which addresses the conditions under which recreational fires may be permitted in Town limits. The approved ordinance specifically addresses recreational fires and the conditions under which recreational outdoor yard fires may be permitted in the Town limits.
- First Reading of Ordinance 2025-13, Amendment to Standardize Business License Class Schedule. The Standardization Act required that by December 31st of every odd year, each municipality levying a business license tax must adopt, by ordinance, the latest class schedule as recommended by the Municipal Association of South Carolina and adopted by the Director of the SC Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office.
- Agreement with Colleton County Sheriff's Office to provide the Town with the services of a Victim Advocate for all Town cases with a victim, as mandated by SC law.
- Approval to advertise three (3) vacancies on the TIDE Committee. Deadline date for applications is November 5.
- Approved a one-year extension of the cleaning contract for DM Cleaning Services.
- Appointed Byron Briese to the Construction Board of Appeals for a three-year term ending September 1, 2028.

- Reappointed Ned Kuntz to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a four-year term ending September 1, 2029.

Starfish Awards

Town Council presented the following individuals with Starfish Awards during the October monthly meeting:

- Leslie Varner Hurley was recognized for her many years of service to the ATAX Board from August 2016 through August 2025, including her service as chair. Town Council thanked Leslie for her invaluable contributes in ensuring ATAX revenue was utilized effectively.



Mayor Moore presented Leslie Varner Hurley with the Starfish Award

- Tyler Von Neida could not be present at the Council meeting to accept the Starfish Award, but Mayor Moore thanked Tyler for his service on the ATAX Board from August 2016 through August 2025, and for contributing his knowledge of the tourism sector over his three terms.

As a reminder, Council agendas and minutes are found on our website

[HERE.](#)

