



The Edisto Beach Comber



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MONTHLY MEETINGS

Council WkSess	01/08	10:00 am
Council Public Hearing	01/10	5:50 pm
Town Council	01/10	6:00 pm
Public Meeting/ ACOE Project	01/14	6:00 pm
PC WkSess	01/16	4:00 pm
Municipal Court	01/17	3:00 pm
Planning Comm	01/22	5:00 pm
ZBA Meeting	01/28	5:00 pm

owner or if rented through a rental agency. Your agency does not automatically pay this fee for you, so please check with your agency or Town Hall to obtain an application.

Applications are based on the calendar year and expire December 31 each year.

Also, the Town collects a Local Accommodations Tax Fee for short term rentals; contact Town Hall for details.

2019 TOWN COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Unless otherwise posted, 2018 Town Council meetings will be held on the second Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm at Town Hall. You are encouraged to attend these meetings.

January 10	July 11
February 14	August 8
March 14	September 12
April 11	October 10
May 9	November 14
June 13	December 12

RENTAL/BUSINESS LICENSE

Calendar Year 2019 Rental/Business Licenses renewal applications will be mailed mid-March. Licenses expire 4/30. **This is different from years past, as they have previously been sent out in December and due in March.**

If you have any questions contract Margaret Green, Business License Clerk, who is located within the Building Department, (843) 869-2505 ext 203 or via email at mgreen@townofedistobeach.com

RENTING YOUR EDISTO BEACH VACATION HOME?

An annual rental business license is required if you receive rental income from your property. The license is required whether property is for rent by



HOLIDAY CLOSINGS



In observance of the Christmas Holidays, Town Hall will be closed Monday, December 24, Tuesday, December 25 and Wednesday, December 26th. Also in observance of the New Year, Town Hall will be closed on Tuesday, January 1st. The Mayor and Council wish you safe and happy holidays! We look forward to serving you in the New Year.

In observance of Martin Luther King Day Town Hall will be closed on Monday, January 21st.

EDISTO RECIPES



NEW YEAR'S DAY BLACK-EYED PEAS

Remember, black-eyed peas on New Year's Day brings good luck the entire year!

- 1 pound dry black-eyed peas
- 2 cups chopped cooked ham
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 pinch garlic powder
- 2 onions, diced

1 (14.5 ounce) can whole tomatoes

Place black-eyed peas in an 8-quard pot. Add enough water to fill pot $\frac{3}{4}$ full. Stir in ham and diced onions, and season with salt, pepper and garlic powder. Place tomatoes in a blender or food processor, and blend until the tomatoes are liquefied. Add tomatoes to pot. Bring all ingredients to a boil. Cover the pot, and simmer on low heat for 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 hours, or until the peas are tender.

MINUTES
November 8, 2018
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
6:00 P.M.

Town of Edisto Beach
Town Hall
2414 Murray Street
Edisto Beach, SC 29438

Present: Jane S. Darby, Mayor, Crawford Moore, Mayor Pro Tempore, Susan Hornsby, Jerome Kizer, and Patti Smyer, Council Members; *Quorum of Council Present.*
Mayor Pro Tem Moore led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and an invocation.

Approval of Minutes

A. Special Council Meeting Minutes, October 9, 2018 – Councilwoman Smyer moved to approve the minutes of the special Council Meeting on October 9, 2018, seconded by Councilwoman Hornsby and unanimously approved.

B. Regular Council Meeting Minutes, October 11, 2018 – Councilman Kizer moved to approve the minutes of the regular Council Meeting on October 11, 2018, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hornsby and unanimously approved.

Proclamations and Presentations

A. Town of Edisto Beach Police Department Certificate of Appreciation – Gloria Zeller, Secretary of the Edisto Beach Loggerhead Turtle Project, presented Police Chief George Brothers with a certificate and thanked him and his department for their assistance with lighting and other issues during the summer of 2018. A donation of \$2,100 will be made to the Sea Turtle Care Center in honor of the Edisto Beach Police Department.

Old Business

A. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2018-24 to Amend Section 42-46(e) and Adopt Section 42-46(f) and (g) of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Edisto Beach relating to the Fire Department – Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to approve second reading of Ordinance No. 2018-24 which is necessary to comply with the state code relating to the Fire Department. Councilwoman Hornsby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

B. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2018-25 to Enact Section 58-139 of the Town’s Code of Ordinances Related to Indecent Exposure and Displays of Specified Anatomical Areas on the Beach and Within Certain Areas of the Town;

and to Repeal Section 10-41 Related to the Same Subject – Councilman Kizer moved to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2018-25 to Enact Section 58-139 of the Town’s Code of Ordinances Related to Indecent Exposure and Displays of Specified Anatomical Areas on the Beach and Within Certain Areas of the Town and to Repeal Section 10-41 related to the same subject. These revisions address recent changes to the state code. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

New Business

A. 2019 Meetings and Holidays Schedule – Councilwoman Smyer moved to approve the 2019 meetings and holidays schedule. Councilwoman Hornsby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

B. 2019 Annual Goal Setting Retreat – Councilman Kizer moved to approve holding the 2019 Goal Setting Retreat on Thursday, January 31, 2019 beginning at 10:00 a.m. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hornsby and unanimously approved.

C. No Cost Budget Adjustment to Edisto Beach Stabilization Project Phase 2 – Councilwoman Smyer moved to approve the no cost budget adjustment to the Edisto Beach Stabilization Project Phase 2 with Coastal Science and Engineering, seconded by Councilwoman Hornsby and approved unanimously.

D. Amendment #1 for Professional Services 2018 Post-Storm Beach Monitoring Survey Hurricane Florence – Councilwoman Hornsby moved to approve Amendment #1 for Professional services for Hurricane Florence at a cost not to exceed \$11,000 to be paid from the local accommodations fund. Monitoring is required per the Town’s permit and to qualify for federal funding, if available. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

E. Amendment #2 for Professional Services 2018 Post-Storm Beach Monitoring Survey Hurricane Michael – Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to approve Amendment #2 for professional services for Hurricane Michael at a cost not to exceed \$11,000 to be paid from the local accommodations fund. Monitoring is required per the Town’s permit and to qualify for federal funding, if available. Councilwoman Smyer seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

F. Immigration Compliance Reporting – Councilwoman Smyer moved to approve the Immigration Compliance Reporting Form, which is necessary for publication of the Immigration Compliance Report. Councilman Kizer seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

G. Recurring Special Event Application, Edisto United, Annual Oysters & BBQ Fundraiser – Councilwoman Smyer moved to approve the recurring special event application from Edisto United for the Annual Oysters and BBQ fundraiser to be held on Sunday, December 2, 2018 at Bay Creek Park from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. and waive park fees. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Moore and approved unanimously.

H. TIDE Committee Recommendations – Councilman Kizer moved to approve the TIDE Committee recommendations to install rope fencing at the entrance of Jungle Road Park, the gazebo area of Jungle Road Park and Burley L./ Lyons Park. The rope and post fencing should be used by the Town whenever possible to continue the “branding” of Edisto Beach. Administrator Hill provided Council with a cost estimate for moving forward with these recommendations, which is not to

exceed \$5,500 (funded from local accommodations). Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

I. Award of RFP #2018-14 Groin Repair – Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to approve awarding RFP #2018-14 Groin Repair to Rakes Building and Maintenance Contractors, LLC dba Blutide Marine Construction for a total cost of \$274,535.86 and authorize the Town Administrator to execute the contract. According to Provisio 100.21, the state will pay the non-federal share which is 25% (\$68,634.72) providing that funding is still available. If funding is not available, the non-federal share will be paid from local accommodations. Councilwoman Hornsby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Committee Vacancies

A. Water and Sewer Committee – 1 vacancy – Councilwoman Hornsby moved to approve the application of Jody Kleckley to serve a second four-year term on the Water and Sewer Committee, seconded by Councilwoman Smyer and unanimously approved.

Accommodations Tax Advisory Board

A. Edisto Chamber of Commerce – Off Season Marketing and Advertising 2018-2019 - \$50,000 – Councilman Kizer moved to approve the unanimous recommendation of the ATAX Board to approve \$50,000 for off season marketing and advertising for the Chamber of Commerce during the 2018-2019 fiscal year. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

B. Edisto Beach Police Department, Life Rings, Throw Ropes and Throw Bags - \$2,840 – Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to approve the unanimous recommendation of the ATAX Board to approve \$2,840 for life rings, throw ropes and throw bags. Councilman Kizer seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Departmental Reports and Committee Updates

Administration

Town Administrator Iris Hill gave the report for the month ending October 31, 2018.

	September 2018	October 2018
Facebook likes/followers	11,603	11,778
FOIA requests	4	4

	Received	Spent
General Fund	18.56%	22.09%
Water Fund	22.67%	23.01%
Wastewater Fund	21.42%	17.13%

Building

Patrick Brown, Building Code Administrator, gave the report for the month of October 2018.

	October-17	October-18	YTD
Business/Rental License Fees	\$5,277.00	\$3,119.20	\$29,769.83
New Construction Permits	0	3	
Other Permits	35	22	
Permit Fees	\$3,588.00	\$8,728.50	\$23,358.50
Inspections	53	36	169
Bay Creek Park	\$2,107.78	\$3,160.	\$11,527.00

Fire

Fire Chief Denney Conley gave the report for the month ending October 31, 2018.

Calls	October-17	October-18	YTD
Medical	6	24	106
Fire-related	9	18	49
EMS/Misc	62	46	227
Beach Wheel Chairs	5	3	62
Water Rescue	0	1	8
Welfare Checks	32	<u>32</u>	<u>124</u>

Police

George Brothers, Chief of Police, gave the October report

	October -17	October-18	YTD
Miles Patrolled	9,383	9,415	40,355
Incidents & Calls for Service	121	132	621
Property Checks	914	903	6,742
Town Parking Tickets	7	0	241

Special Projects

Special Projects Coordinator Kelly Moore gave the report for October 2018. Mrs. Moore is working with the TIDE Committee to develop a new rules sign for Bay Creek Park. Vendor registration forms for the holiday Market & Mingle have been sent, and the Edisto Community Choir has committed to being at the event from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. The Civic Center hardwood floor repair is still in process. Mrs. Moore is working on the BBQ Festival logo for the May event and submitted an application for a Keep America Beautiful grant. The Trick or Treat at the Creek event was a big success!

	October - 17	October -18	YTD
Edisto Civic Center		\$2,576	
Bay Creek Park	\$2,107.78	\$3,160.	\$11,527.00

Utilities

Utilities Director Bob Doub gave the report for the month ending October 31, 2018.

	October-17	October-18	YTD
Pumped MG Water	10.24	12.32	
Treated MG Wastewater	4.86	3.98	
Water Line Repairs	8	3	
Work Orders	26	25	

Mayor Darby wished all in attendance a Happy Thanksgiving.

Adjournment

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Kizer and unanimously approved.

Pete Lala has passed his “C” level Water Distribution exam and Patrick Zemp passed his “B” level Biological Wastewater exam. Two new operator trainees, Frankie Diaz and Paul Otte have been hired.

The public/media was informed of the location, date and time of the meeting on Thursday, November 1, 2018.

Unless otherwise posted, Town Hall will be closed in observance of the following holidays in 2019:

Public Works

Bob Doub, Public Works Director, gave the report for October 2018. The Public Works department delivered 15 trash cans, assisted with special events (Fall Festival and Beach Sweep). The PW department has been busy with storm debris removal, with assistance from Colleton County and DOT.

Chamber of Commerce

Edisto Chamber Director Lisa Harrell gave the report for the month ending October 31, 2018.

- New Year’s Day, Tuesday, January 1***
- Martin Luther King Day, January 21***
- President’s Day, February 18***
- Good Friday, April 19***
- Memorial Day, May 27***
- Independence Day, July 4***
- Labor Day, September 2***
- Columbus Day, October 14***
- Veteran’s Day, November 11***
- Thanksgiving Day, November 28***
- Day after Thanksgiving, Nov. 29***
- Christmas Eve, December 24***
- Christmas Day, December 25***
- Day after Christmas, Dec. 26***

- On November 10 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, flu shots will be available at BiLo. They are free with insurance and \$40.00 without. Free turkeys will be given to those receiving flu shots.
- On Sunday, November 11, 2018 the Edisto Land Trust will hold its annual Oyster Roast at Sand Creek Farm from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.
- On Monday, November 12th, the Art Guild will host Dana Beach, a landscape photographer at the Civic Center.
- On November 17th, from 8:30 – noon there will be a free photography workshop at Botany Bay.
- On November 17th from noon – 7:00 p.m. the South Edisto Café will be selling BBQ by the plate or by the pound.
- November 23, 2018, the Edisto Museum will hold their gift shop open house and sale from 9:00 – 4:00. (No admission fee to the museum)
- On November 24th, With These Hands Gallery will unveil the Giving Tree.
- Flowers Seafood will hold its annual Oyster Roast on November 24, 2018.
- There will be a Christmas concert on December 1 at 3:00 p.m. and December 2 at 7:00 p.m. at Edisto Beach Baptist Church.
- Holiday Market & Mingle will be held at Bay Creek Park on December 1 from noon – 7:00 p.m.
- The Christmas Parade will be held December 8th starting at 2:00 p.m. along Palmetto Boulevard.

Public Comment

There was no one signed in to speak.

Executive Session

There was no executive session.