

MINUTES
April 14, 2015
BUDGET WORKSESSION
1:00 P.M.

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

Present: Jane S. Darby, Mayor Pro Tempore, Pete Anderson, Susan Hornsby and Patti Smyer,
Council Members; Quorum of Council Present

Mayor Pro Tem Darby called the meeting to order.

I. FY2015-16 Budget Workshop - Administrator Hill facilitated a discussion concerning the budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. No action was taken by Council.

II. First Reading of Ordinance #2015-13 to Amend Section 82-139 of the Town's Code Relating to Sewer Rates – Councilwoman Smyer moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance #201-13 to increase sewer rates five percent. Councilwoman Hornsby seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

III. Civic Center – Mayor Pro Tem Darby pointed out the cover letter from Administrator Hill to the Colleton County Zoning Board and the plat of the Civic Center. Administrator Hill told Council that it was her understanding that Town funds were not to be used in the operation of the Civic Center and to keep the rental costs as low as possible. There have been discussions with the Edisto Chamber about relocating to the Civic Center, which would provide income. The Art Guild has approached the Town about using the Center for their sewing group. Another idea is to have one retail space located in the Civic Center, similar to the Plantation in Point South, where they have a tourism center. Administrator Hill will be going to the Colleton County Zoning Board to ask for a special exception to have a retail space, and if approved, it would be a possibility. The space in question is 720 square feet. It was the consensus of Council for Administrator Hill to research rental fees (per square foot) charged so that the Town would not be undercutting those individuals who rent privately owned space. Administrator Hill asked if there were any additions/deletions on the Memorandum of Understanding on the Civic Center. There were not any at this time.

Councilman Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Smyer. The motion passed unanimously.

The public was duly notified of the location, date and time of the meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2015

APPROVED BY TOWN COUNCIL

Deborah Hargis, Municipal Clerk
May 14, 2015