

MINUTES
March 16, 2020
EMERGENCY COUNCIL MEETING
5:00 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 Darby called the meeting to order.

I. Ordinance No. 2020-06 Emergency Ordinance COVID-19 – Mayor Darby read into the record Ordinance No. 2020-06 which is attached to these minutes. Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Councilwoman Hornsby. Councilman Kizer asked if the bathrooms at Bay Creek Park could be locked as an alternative to closing Bay Creek Park. Patrick Brown, Building Official stated he could make sure the locks were in working order. Councilman Kizer moved to amend section a of the Ordinance from “Town Parks shall be closed to the Public.” to “The restrooms at Bay creek Park will be closed to the public.” Councilwoman Smyer seconded the motion to amend the Ordinance. Mayor Darby called for the vote on the amendment, which passed 4 – 1 with Councilwoman Hornsby opposed. Mayor Darby called for the vote on the motion to adopt the Ordinance as amended, which passed 4 – 1 with Councilwoman Hornsby opposed.

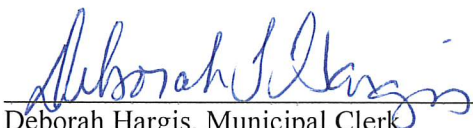
Since the Civic Center is owned by Colleton County, it will follow Colleton County’s operational plan.

Kyle Bullock from the State Park told those in attendance that as of today, the park is open and operational. The State Park is limiting contact with visitors and the maintenance crew is foregoing landscaping tasks to concentrate on cleaning and disinfecting the campground facilities.

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

The media/public was notified of the date/time and location of the meeting on Monday, March 16, 2020.

APPROVED BY TOWN COUNCIL


Deborah Hargis, Municipal Clerk
April 9, 2020

TOWN OF EDISTO BEACH
EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, due to the current South Carolina State of Emergency, concerns regarding COVID-19, and the impact it is having in the United States and global communities; and

WHEREAS, given the potential devastation this pandemic can cause on our community along with the priority the Town of Edisto Beach places on the health, safety and welfare of our residents and visitors; and,

WHEREAS, Edisto Beach is a high tourist area and the Town's parks and facilities are a great attraction to residents and visitors alike; and

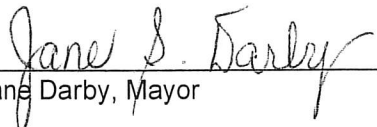
WHEREAS, South Carolina Code of Laws Title 5-7-250 subsection (d) allows for Town Council to enact an emergency ordinance effective immediately to meet public emergencies affecting life, health, safety or the property of the people; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Edisto Beach have decided to take precautionary measures to prevent the continued spread of this virus.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Edisto Beach, South Carolina, in council duly assembled that the following authority shall be granted to the Town of Edisto Beach, South Carolina on an emergency basis:

- (a) The restrooms at Bay Creek Park will be closed to the public. Other parks will remain open.
- (b) Town Hall will be closed to the public. All business will be conducted virtually or by telephone.
- (c) All public meetings for the month of March have been postponed.
- (d) Golf Cart Permits will not be issued during a State of Emergency.
- (e) Municipal Court will be cancelled during the month of March.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately.


Jane Darby, Mayor

Reading: 3/16/2020

ATTEST: 
Deborah Hargis, Municipal Clerk