

**MINUTES  
TOWN OF EDISTO BEACH  
MAY 12, 2022  
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
6:00 P.M.**

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

Present: Mayor Crawford Moore, Mayor Pro Tempore Jerome Kizer, Robert Renner, Jay Watts, and Joey Bagwell, Council Members. *Quorum of Council Present.*

**Call to Order**

Mayor Crawford Moore called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation**

Mayor Moore led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance and the invocation.

**Approval of Minutes**

Special Council Meeting Minutes, April 12, 2022: Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve the Special Council Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2022. The motion was seconded by Councilman Watts and unanimously approved.

Regular Council Meeting Minutes, April 14, 2022: Councilman Renner moved to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2022. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kizer and unanimously approved.

Special Council Meeting Minutes, May 4, 2022: Councilman Watts moved to approve the Special Council Meeting Minutes of May 4, 2022. The motion was seconded by Councilman Renner and unanimously approved.

**Presentations and Proclamations**

**Starfish Awards:**

Mayor Moore presented Dr. David Greene with a Starfish Award for his exemplary work with the Town of Edisto Beach Police Department in obtaining first aid, CPR, and AED training for all officers, and for his steadfast commitment to our community.

**Promotions - Town of Edisto Beach Police Department:**

Town of Edisto Beach Police Chief Steve Miano recognized Assistant Police Chief Daniel Seyle and Lieutenant Casey Herring as follows, and Mayor Moore presented certificates:

Assistant Police Chief Daniel Seyle: Assistant Police Chief Daniel Seyle began his law enforcement career with the University of South Carolina Police Department in 2008. In 2013, Chief Seyle began his career with the Town of Edisto Beach Police Department. Chief Seyle

has risen through the ranks as a Sergeant and Lieutenant handling various critical positions such as the Department's training officer, NCIC Coordinator, specific skills instructor, and he is a member of the Edisto Beach Marine Rescue Team.

Lieutenant Casey Herring: Lt. Casey Herring is a native of Barnwell, SC and graduated from the University of South Carolina Aiken with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. Lt. Herring began her law enforcement career with the City of Barnwell Police Department in 2011 and worked for the Barnwell County Sheriff's Office as a shift investigator before leaving Barnwell for sunny Edisto Beach. In 2017, Lt. Herring joined the Town of Edisto Beach Police Department where she has made an invaluable impact on the community through enforcement actions, enhancing the field training program, creating internal systems, and serving as a cross-trained member of the Edisto Beach Fire Department.

### **Proclamation**

Proclamation 2022-P19 – Proclaiming June 2022 as “Golf Cart Safety and Education Month” Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve Proclamation 2022-P19 for June 2022 to be known as “Golf Cart Safety and Education Month.” Mayor Pro Tem Kizer moved to approve Proclamation 2022-P19 proclaiming June 2022 as “Golf Cart Safety and Education Month.” The motion was seconded by Councilman Renner and unanimously approved.

### **Public Comment Period**

There were no comments from the public at this meeting.

### **Old Business**

Ordinance No. 2021-13 Temporary Sewer Moratorium to be reviewed every 30 days until resolved. Town staff has spoken with South Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority (RIA) regarding ARPA funds which will be available this July or August. ARPA applications have a 10 million dollar limit with no local match, which would allow the Town to apply for funding for all phases of the sewer upgrade project. If applying for ARPA funding, the Town would need to relinquish the \$500,000 grant already secured from RIA. Town Administrator Hill noted to Council the Town of Edisto Beach could choose to do Lift Station B at this time, and complete Lift Station A when additional monies are secured. Councilman Renner made a motion to move forward and opt to complete Lift Station B with the \$500,000 awarded by RIA. The motion was seconded by Councilman Watts and unanimously approved.

Second Reading of Ordinance 2022-14 to Enact Article IV of Chapter 78 of the Town of Edisto Beach Code of Ordinances entitled “Wrecker Services.” This ordinance entitled “Wrecker Services” authorizes the Edisto Beach Police Department to maintain a wrecker rotation list for interested wrecker service providers who meet the provisions of this ordinance. Provisions include items such as maintaining proper equipment, business license, insurance, and offering reasonable fees and response time. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer made a motion to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance 2022-14 to Enact Article IV of Chapter 78 of the Town of Edisto Beach Code of Ordinance entitled “Wrecker Services.” This motion was seconded by Councilman Renner and unanimously approved.

Second Reading of Ordinance 2022-15 to Amend Sections 2-51 and 2-55 and Enact Article 5 of Chapter 2 of the Town of Edisto Beach Code of Ordinances. This ordinance revises the quorum and rules of order provisions, provides procedures for conducting meetings of Town Council by electronic

means, enacts Article 5 of Chapter 2 related to meetings of Town Boards and Committees and provides for severability and an effective date. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer made a motion to accept the second reading of Ordinance 2022-15 to amend Sections 2-51 and 2-55 and enact Article 5 of Chapter 2 of the Town of Edisto Beach Code of Ordinances, as amended. This motion was seconded by Councilman Renner and unanimously approved.

### **New Business**

First Reading of Ordinance 2022-17 to Repeal Section 6-1 and Amend and Restate Section 6-2 of the Town's Code of Ordinances. When originally enacted, the Town of Edisto Beach was designated as a wildlife sanctuary and prevented certain trapping and hunting activities. Since the Town's establishment as a wildlife sanctuary, the State has enacted extensive laws regulating trapping and hunting of wildlife, waterfowl, and birds which render this ordinance obsolete and inconsistent with current law. A motion was made by Councilman Renner to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-17 to repeal Section 6-1 and amend and restate Section 6-2 of the Town's Code of Ordinances. The motion was seconded by Councilman Watts and unanimously approved.

First Reading of Ordinance 2022-18 to Adopt the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget. Town Administrator Hill presented the draft of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget, and she noted 2022 is a Colleton County reassessment year and the Town of Edisto Beach has not been provided updated property assessments; therefore, future budget adjustments may be needed. Mayor Moore noted Council, Town Administrator Hill, and the Town staff have been working on the 2022-2023 Budget for months, and it is a lengthy process. A motion was made by Councilman Watts to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-18 to adopt the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kizer and unanimously approved.

2022 Emergency Operations Plan – Mayor Moore noted the Emergency Operations Plan is reviewed and updated annually. A motion was made by Councilman Renner to approve the 2022 Emergency Operations Plan. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kizer and unanimously approved.

First Extension to Convenience Station Attendant Services Contract with Lyons Contract Services, LLC. – The first extension to Convenience Station Attendant Services Contract with Lyons Contract Services, LLC, was presented for the period beginning December 2, 2021, and ending December 1, 2022, with three additional extension periods remaining. A motion was made by Councilman Renner to approve the first extension to Convenience Station Attendant Services Contract with Lyons Contract Services, LLC. This motion was seconded by Councilman Watts and unanimously approved.

Special Event Application and request for support from the Edisto Marina Association for the Billfish Tournament to be held July 20-23, 2022. The Special Event application for the Edisto Marina Association for the Billfish Tournament to be held July 20-23, 2022. The application also requested support for the event by offering law enforcement patrols during the week, a waiver of the park rental fee, and \$10,000 to be used for advertising. Mayor Moore noted he will recuse himself from the vote for this item since he is a slip owner and a member of the Edisto Marina Association. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer asked for a motion to approve the Special Event Application and request for support from the Edisto Marina Association for the Billfish Tournament to be held July 20-23, 2022. Councilman Bagwell made a motion to accept the Special Event Application and request for support as noted. This motion was seconded by Councilman Watts and approved as follows: 4-0, with Mayor Moore recusing. This will be funded from Temporary Alcohol Permit fees.

Appointment of Keep Edisto Beautiful (KEB) Director

Town staff has received a recommendation from Ms. Beverly Sandifer to support Ms. Kristina Outland as the next director of Keep Edisto Beautiful. A motion was made by Councilman Renner to accept the recommendation to support Ms. Kristina Outland as the next director of Keep Edisto Beautiful. This motion was seconded by Councilman Watts and unanimously approved.

Edisto Chamber of Commerce Turtle Tide Project

The Edisto Chamber of Commerce requests Town Council's approval to place a turtle sculpture at Bay Creek Park as part of the Turtle Tide Project. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Kizer to approve the placement of a turtle sculpture at Bay Creek Park. This motion was seconded by Councilman Renner and unanimously approved.

**Committee Vacancies**

Beachfront Management Committee – 2 vacancies

Three applications were received for two vacancies on the Beachfront Management Committee, so Council voted by ballot. The ballots indicated that Mr. Stanley Hergott and Mr. Paul Oakley were the two candidates chosen by the Council. A motion was made by Councilman Renner to approve Mr. Stanley Hergott and Mr. Paul Oakley to fill the two vacancies on the Beachfront Management Committee. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kizer and unanimously approved.

Construction Board of Appeals – 1 vacancy

One application was received for the vacancy on the Construction Board of Appeals from Mr. John Drolet. A motion was made by Councilman Renner to approve Mr. John Drolet to fill the vacancy on the Construction Board of Appeals. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kizer and unanimously approved.

Planning Commission – 2 vacancies

Two applications were approved for the two vacancies on the Planning Commission; both applications are for current members who can serve second terms. A motion was made by Councilman Renner to approve Ms. Sue Johnson and Ms. Gray Snead to serve second terms on the Planning Commission. This motion was seconded by Councilman Watts and unanimously approved.

**Accommodations Tax Advisory Board**

Town of Edisto Beach, Bell Buoy Bond Debt, \$50,000

The ATAX Board unanimously recommended approval of the \$50,000 request from the Town of Edisto Beach, Bell Buoy Bond Debt. Mayor Pro Tem Kizer made a motion to approve the ATAX Board's recommendation to fund \$50,000 for the Town of Edisto Beach, Bell Buoy Bond Debt. The motion was seconded by Councilman Renner and unanimously approved.

Town of Edisto Beach, Beach Renourishment, \$150,000

The ATAX Board unanimously recommended approval of the Town of Edisto Beach request for beach renourishment in the amount of \$150,000. A motion was made by Councilman Watts to approve the request of \$150,000 from the Town of Edisto Beach for beach renourishment. This motion was seconded by Councilman Bagwell and unanimously approved.

Town of Edisto Beach Police Department, Law Enforcement, \$60,412

The ATAX Board unanimously recommended approval of the \$60,412 request from the Town of Edisto Beach Police Department to continue to fund the “ATAX Police Officer.” A motion was made by Councilman Bagwell to approve \$60,412 for the Town of Edisto Beach Police Department to continue to fund for law enforcement. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kizer and unanimously approved.

Edisto Art Guild, Arts in the Park, \$3,600

The ATAX Board unanimously recommended approval of \$3,600 for the Edisto Art Guild, Arts in the Park, for advertising purposes. A motion was made by Councilman Renner to approve \$3,600 for the Edisto Art Guild, Arts in the Park. This motion was seconded by Councilman Watts and unanimously approved.

Edisto Island Lions Club, Bingo, \$7,500

The ATAX Board unanimously recommended approval of \$7,500 for maintenance and operations of the Edisto Island Lions Club Bingo events. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Kizer to approve \$7,500 for the Edisto Island Lions Club Bingo events. This motion was seconded by Councilman Renner and unanimously approved.

**Council Time**

Councilman Watts noted that a Covid Booster Clinic was held on May 12, 2022, at Town Hall, and nineteen individuals received shots. An additional booster clinic will be scheduled in the future.

Mayor Moore noted the South Carolina Lt. Governor will be on Edisto on Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, at 6 p.m. at the Edisto Civic Center. He encouraged all to attend this event.

Mayor Moore also thanked the Edisto Beach Fire Department, the Edisto Beach Police Department, St. Paul’s Fire Department, Colleton County and Charleston County, and all volunteers for their great work at the house fire on April 29<sup>th</sup>. The fire was contained to the attic, and coordination was excellent.

The Mayor informed all that the Town of Edisto Hurricane Tabletop Exercise with Colleton County will be held on May 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at Town Hall. As well, the Town will also hold a Hurricane Preparedness Workshop on May 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. at the Civic Center.

**Department Reports**

**Administration**

	Received	Spent
General Fund	88.41%	68.22%
Water Fund	69.31%	70.02%
Wastewater Fund	77.37%	64.17%

**Freedom of Information Act Requests**

During the month of April 2022, the Town of Edisto Beach received eight Freedom of Information Act requests. The Building Department received all the requests.

**Building**

	April 2021	April 2022	YTD
Business/Rental License Fees	\$137,981.12	\$168,420.68	\$350,901.41
New Construction Permits	5	1	24
Other Permits	49	63	468
Permit Fees	\$21,000.00	\$12,549.00	\$128,736.50
Inspections	79	87	1014

**Fire**

Calls	April 2021	April 2022	YTD
Medical	14	30	222
Fire-Related	2	1	15
EMS/Misc.	7	13	137
Beach Wheelchairs	0	14	109
Water Rescue	0	0	12
Welfare Checks	0	0	14

**Police**

	April 2021	April 2022	YTD
Miles Patrolled	12,138	7,775	78,728
Incidents & Calls for Service	151	173	1,497
Property Checks	845	718	7,667
Town Parking Tickets	119	114	647

**Utilities**

MG (Million gallons)	April 2021	April 2022	YTD
Pumped MG Water	15.58	15.49	154.50
Treated MG Wastewater	2.89	2.6	27.38
Water Line Repairs	2	7	37
Work Order Repairs	26	28	314

**Public Works**

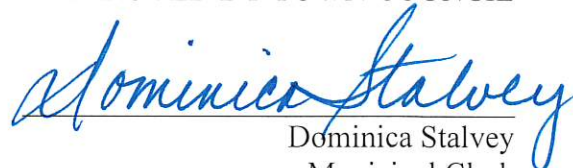
Utilities Director Patrick Zemp informed Town Council that the Utilities Department responded to twenty-eight utility calls, installed three water taps, and changed out three meters.

Mr. Zemp informed Town Council that the Public Works department have completed forty-three trash can work orders, more than twelve street sign work orders and forty-two miscellaneous work orders.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Pro Tem Kizer to adjourn the meeting. This motion was seconded by Councilman Renner and unanimously approved.

APPROVED BY TOWN COUNCIL

  
Dominica Stalvey  
Municipal Clerk