

**TOWN OF EDISTO BEACH
ACCOMMODATIONS TAX ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

February 2, 2023

10:00 a.m.

MINUTES

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

Present: Chair Leslie Varner Hurley, Judith Blancett, Mike Hobson, Rick Moore, Robert Pratt
(*Quorum of Committee*)

Absent: Matthew Kizer, Tyler Von Neida

Staff Present: Town Administrator Mark Aakhus, Police Chief Daniel Seyle, Municipal Clerk Dee Stalvey

Call to Order

Chair Hurley called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Hobson moved to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2023, ATAX Meeting. This motion was seconded by Mr. Moore and unanimously approved.

New Business

ATAX Fund Balance Report

Following discussion of the \$474,310 balance in the Fund Balance Report, Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the fund balance information shared with the Board. Mr. Pratt seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ATAX Project Balance Report

There was a question regarding the remaining funds in the Beach Patrol project. Chief Seyle noted the funding for this particular project is available until June 30, 2023. He also noted he will have a two-year request for Beach Patrol at the May 2023 meeting. Following discussion, Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the ATAX Project Balance Report. Mr. Hobson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ATAX Applications

Beach Patrol ATV Purchase Request

- The Edisto Beach Police Department submitted a request for the purchase of an ATV for Beach Patrol use in the amount of \$9,624.84. Chief Seyle noted he requested these funds due to the condition of the current ATV. Due to the salt air, etc., the ATV lifespan is usually three years, and the current ATV has rusted. The new ATV is on state contract. The Chief also noted the Beach Patrol has two vehicles, a side-by-side and the ATV.

- Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the request from the Edisto Beach Police Department in the amount of \$9,624.84 for the purchase of a new ATV for Beach Patrol. Mr. Pratt seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.


Edisto Art Guild

- Christian Stemkowski was present to represent the Edisto Art Guild and the Edisto Plein Air Paint Out event, to be held on October 11-14, 2023. The Edisto Art Guild requested \$3,100 for the Edisto Plein Air Paint Out event. Ms. Stemkowski noted the event attendance has tripled since the first year, and 2022 was the third year of this event. The Edisto Art Guild requested these funds for marketing and promotion for the wet paint show and sale. With these funds, they will concentrate on event mailing and promotion to encourage individuals to the event.
- Ms. Hurley made a motion to approve the Edisto Art Guild request for the Edisto Plein Air Paint Out in the amount of \$3,100. Mr. Hobson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Moore made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Hobson seconded this motion, which was approved unanimously.

APPROVED BY THE ATAX BOARD


Dominica Stalvey, Municipal Clerk
May 4, 2023