

Town of Edisto Beach

Monthly Highlights

October 2024



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SCIIP GRANT INFO

- SC General Assembly approved federal funding from the American Rescue Plan Act.
- SC RIA awarded \$1.3 billion in grant funding for communities across the state to assist with improvements for clean drinking water, sanitary sewer, and stormwater resilience.
- 216 grants awarded to local governments.

Pump Stations A & B Completed

As part of our Wastewater Improvement Project, both Pump Stations A and B have been updated and constructed, and final testing on Pump Station A is being conducted. Both pump stations were installed with larger pumps, along with new variable frequency drives, and controls at both pump stations.

In 2023, the Town received \$8,904,385 in funds through the South Carolina Infrastructure Investment Program (SCIIP) and \$500,000 from the Rural Infrastructure Authority (RIA) to be used toward wastewater system upgrades within the Town.

In March 2021, Town Council imposed a moratorium on connecting to the Town's sewer system due to the over-extension of the distribution system. Capacity issues at the collection facilities and much-needed updates are now being addressed. At the September 12 Town Council meeting, Council approved the first reading of the termination of the sewer moratorium. The second reading is expected to be considered on October 10. Once the termination of the moratorium is approved, work will begin on accommodating the existing and allocated capacity.

As a reminder, these improvements will not expand the Town's sewer system. Instead, these improvements will improve the existing infrastructure.

Please note it is critical that homeowners who are not connected to the Town's sewer system ensure their septic tanks are being properly maintained. For tips from the SC Department of Environmental Services, please visit the state's website: [SEPTIC SYSTEM PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE](#)

Bay Creek Park Dock Repairs

Repairs to the Bay Creek Park Dock are currently underway by Clean Marine. Work on the dock will include substructure and superstructure improvements, new railings and decking. This work is expected to last approximately five months.

While Bay Creek Park remains open for other activities, the Town requests all avoid entering the dock/fishing pier area during this construction time.



Tropical Storm Helene Update

The Town is continuing to clean-up debris from Tropical Storm Helene. The bulk of the sand on Palmetto Boulevard has been removed by DOT, and they will also come back to sweep the remaining sand.

It appears that no structural damage was experienced on our residential homes and buildings. A couple trees fell during the storm, and a power outage occurred for all of Edisto Beach.

We have all heard the heartbreaking accounts of those in the Upstate and in other states experiencing the worst of Helene. Please let this be a reminder to all to (1) have an emergency plan in place with your family; (2) ensure your home is safeguarded as best as possible to deal with rain, wind, etc.; (3) check your home insurance policy to ensure all needed coverage is up-to-date.

We still have approximately two months left in the 2024 Hurricane Season, so please be weather aware and plan wisely.



Upcoming Town Events

The Town of Edisto Beach will hold a number of events over the coming months. These events are always lots of fun so we hope to see you!

- Cookin' on the Creek BBQ Festival, October 11, 6-10 p.m., and October 12, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., at Bay Creek Park.
- Trick or Treat at the Creek, October 29, 5:30-7 p.m., at Bay Creek Park.
- Pre-Thanksgiving Market, November 27, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Bay Creek Park
- Holiday Market & Mingle, December 13, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Bay Creek Park
- Christmas Tree-Lighting, December 1, 5-7 p.m., Bay Creek Park

As well, the Edisto Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a number of events in the coming months, including the following listed below. Please check their website for upcoming events and details: [Chamber Events](#).

- Edisto Beach Fall Festival & Turtle Tide Auction, October 12, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., near Jungle Road Park.
- Edisto Beach Road Race, October 23.
- Annual Christmas Parade, December 14, 2:00 p.m.

FREE ADMISSION, LIVE MUSIC, & BBQ

COOKIN' ON THE CREEK
BBQ FESTIVAL

BBQ FESTIVAL
SC BBQ ASSOCIATION SANCTIONED EVENT!

EDISTO BEACH
BAY CREEK PARK

Oct. 11th, 6-10 PM Oct. 12th, 11 AM - 4 PM

MUSIC BY: PAT COOPER MUSIC BY: YEEHAW JUNCTION

BBQ & Beverages available, ID's checked, Bring your chairs,
No outside coolers allowed, No dogs within five feet of cook teams.

Sand Fencing Notice

The Town of Edisto Beach has applied to the South Carolina Department of Environmental Science (SCDES) Bureau of Coastal Management (BCM) for a General Permit to repair and replace sand fencing at the public beach along the Atlantic Ocean in Edisto Beach, Colleton County.

Comments will be received by the Bureau of Coastal Management at 1362 McMillan Avenue, Suite 400, Charleston, SC 29405, by fifteen (15) days from publication.

Sand fencing is used on beaches and dunes in South Carolina to help protect the coast from erosion and flooding, and to build new dunes. Sand fencing traps windblown sand to create new dunes or fill in gaps in existing dunes.

This is an annual, routine permit application.



Kings Tides October 16-21

As per the South Carolina King Tides Initiative, NOAA Astronomical Tide Predictions for King Tides are October 16-21, 2024.

Town Hall Closed on October 14

Due to the Columbus Day holiday on Monday, October 14, Town Hall will be closed.

September 2024 Town Council Meeting Highlights

At the regular monthly Town Council meeting held on September 12, 2024, the following are a few of the items approved by Council:

- Resolution 2024-R12 to declare September 2024 as South Carolina State Guard Month.
- Contract Change Order No. 1 for American Engineering for Pump Station A; labor and equipment to rebuild the bottom of the existing wet well in the amount of \$11,110.
- Approval of Bid Award in the amount of \$97,000 to Destination Dock for RFB #2024-03, Design-Build Services at Burley Lyons Park.
- Approval of Bid Award in the amount of \$76,510 to Blutide Marine Construction for construction services at Jungle Road Park as per RFB #2024-04.
- Appointment of two new members to the ATAX Board: Judith Blancett (Arts) and Marie Bost (At-Large).
- First Reading of Ordinance No. 2024-12 to terminate the temporary moratorium on the issuance and approval of new or additional connections to the Town's sewer system as established by Ordinance No. 2021-13.

As a reminder, Council agendas and minutes are found on our website [HERE](#).



Town Council recognized the following individuals with **Starfish Awards** at the August Town Council meeting as follows:

- Council extended a heartfelt thank you to the residents and others who did so much to recognize our first responders and others at the Community Event.
- As well, Council presented the following with Starfish Awards for their work on this event:
 - Bob Redfearn and Phoebe Allen for conceiving the idea of a community event honoring first responders and for organizing the event.
 - Joshua Perryman for contributing in many ways, including the establishment of a GoFundMe page for donations.
 - Caleb Davis of Edisto Catering Company and JJ Lamb of Shorty's Smokin' Butts Catering and Food Truck for donating their expertise and time to provide great food for this event.



TOWN OF EDISTO BEACH
INVITES YOU TO THE 15TH ANNUAL

TRICK OR TREAT AT THE CREEK

OCT 29TH 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
BAY CREEK PARK



Cake Walk!

*Hot Dog
DINNER!*



3706 Dock Site Road

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Candy

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SET UP A TABLE AND PASS OUT
CANDY, HOST A GAME, VOLUNTEER,
OR DONATE, PLEASE EMAIL
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Games

Candy Donations are being
accepted at Town Hall
and the Civic Center.

Costumes are Encouraged

