



**Town of Hilton Head Island
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, March 15, 2022, 3:00 p.m.
MINUTES**

Present from Town Council: John J. McCann, *Mayor*; Bill Harkins, *Mayor Pro-Tempore*; David Ames, Tamara Becker, Alex Brown, Tom Lennox, Glenn Stanford, *Town Council Members*

Present from Town Staff: Marc Orlando, *Town Manager*; Josh Gruber, *Deputy Town Manager*; Angie Stone, *Assistant Town Manager*; Shawn Colin, *Interim-Director of Community Development*; Jennifer Ray, *Capital Program Manager*; Jenn McEwen, *Director of Cultural Affairs*; John Troyer, *Director of Finance*; John Tuttle, *Technology & Innovation Director*; Jeff Buckalew, *Town Engineer*; Krista Wiedmeyer, *Town Clerk*

1. Call to Order

Mayor McCann called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. FOIA Compliance: Public notification of this meeting has been published, posted, and distributed in compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act and the requirements of the Town of Hilton Head Island.

3. Roll Call

Roll was taken by the Town Clerk, and attendance of all members of Town Council was confirmed.

4. Invocation – Pastor Steve Salvas, Grace Community Church

Pastor Salvas delivered the invocation.

5. Pledge to the Flag

6. Approval of the Agenda

Mr. Stanford moved to approve. Mr. Harkins seconded. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

7. Approval of the Minutes

- a. Workshop – February 22, 2022
- b. Regular Meeting – March 1, 2022

Mr. Harkins moved to approve the minutes from noted on the agenda. Mr. Stanford seconded. The motion carried 7-0.

8. Report of the Town Manager

a. Items of Interest

Mr. Orlando reviewed various items of interest within the Town.

b. Parks & Precreation Commission Semi-Annual Update – Ray Kisiah, Chair

Ray Kisiah, Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Commission, delivered the semi-annual update for the Commission to Town Council.

9. Reports of the Members of Town Council

a. General Reports of Town Council

No general reports from Town Council.

b. Report of the Community Services & Public Safety Committee – Councilman Harkins

Mr. Harkins reported that the Committee met at their last meeting, the Committee met in Executive Session to discuss applications for a vacancy on the Design Review Board.

c. Report of the Public Planning Committee – Councilman Ames

Mr. Ames reported that at their next meeting on March 24th, the Committee would be meeting to discuss and move forward to Town Council, the Short-Term Rental Ordinance.

d. Report of the Finance & Administrative Committee – Councilman Lennox

Mr. Lennox reported the Finance & Administrative Committee met earlier in the day where they reviewed and considered the Affiliated Agency applications. He also noted the authorizing of entering into a contract with Greene Finney as Auditors for the Town.

10. Appearance by Citizens

Skip Hoagland: Addressed the Mayor and Town Council on various matters related to the Chamber and Town of Hilton Head Island.

11. New Business

a. First Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2022-07, Amending Section 3-1-210, of the Municipal Code for the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina with Regard to the Boundaries of the Six Single-Ward Districts in the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina

Mr. Harkins moved to approve. Mr. Stanford seconded. Mr. Ames said he would like to amend the motion, to move Buck Island out of Ward 3 and into Ward 5. Mr. Lennox seconded. Mr. Harkins spoke up and staid he agreed with the amendment and agreed to updating the initial motion. Mr. Stanford seconded.

Mr. Gruber delivered a presentation to the Mayor and Town Council covering the process and steps taken up to Town Council consideration. He discussed the moving of Buck Island was keeping within the spirit and intent of the guidelines Town Council approved. Much discussion was had by Town Council and Mr. Gruber answered questions posed to him from Town Council.

The motion as amended passed by a vote of 7-0.

b. First Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2022-04, Amending Section 2-5-70 of the Municipal Code for the Town Hilton Head Island, South Carolina to Allow for Public Comment at a Town Council Meeting by any Interested Party During the Appearance by Citizens Portion of the Agenda

Mr. Harkins moved to approve. Mr. Stanford seconded. With some discussion about the intent of this code amendment, the motion carried by a voted 7-0.

c. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina to Enter into a Joint Ownership and Operating Agreement with Beaufort County for the Redevelopment and Operation of the Ford's Shell Ring

Ms. Lopko delivered a brief presentation to the Mayor and Town Council concerning the Joint Ownership and Operating Agreement with Beaufort County for the redevelopment and operation of the Ford's Shell Ring. Mr. Harkins moved to approve. Mr. Stanford seconded. With some discussion, the motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

d. First Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2022-03 Authorizing the Execution of a Termination of an Easement and Granting of an Access and Utility Easement Encumbering Real Property Owned by the Town of Hilton Head, South Carolina and Beaufort County, South Carolina, in Area of the Ford's Shell Ring Property, Under the Authority of SC Code Ann. Section 5-7-40 (Supp. 2010), and Section 2-7-20 of the Municipal Code for the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, (1983)

Ms. Lopko delivered a brief presentation to the Mayor and Town Council concerning the termination of one easement and granting a utility easement near the property for the Ford's Shell Ring. Mr. Harkins moved to approve. Mr. Stanford seconded. With little discussion, the motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

12. Executive Session

Mr. Orlando stated that there was a need for Executive Session for: 1) Discussion of Personnel Matters Related to the Appointments to the Design Review Board; and 2) Discussion of Personnel Matters Related to an Appointment to the Beaufort County Citizens Advisory Committee.

At 4:02 p.m., Mr. Harkins moved to enter Executive Session for the reasons described by the Town Manager. Mr. Stanford seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

13. Possible actions by Town Council concerning matters discussed in Executive Session

At 4:45 p.m. Town Council returned from Executive Session with the following action.

Mr. Harkins moved to appoint Todd Theodore as a Landscape Architect to fill a vacancy on the Design Review Board through June 30, 2023. Mr. Stanford seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Harkins moved to appoint Peter Kristian as the representative of Hilton Head Island to the Beaufort County Advisory Committee for a Road Project Referendum. Mr. Stanford seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

14. Adjournment

By unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Approved: April 5, 2022

Krista M. Wiedmeyer, Town Clerk

John J. McCann, Mayor