



Town of Hilton Head Island  
**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, June 21, 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, *Assistant Town Manager-Community Development*; Ben Brown, *Senior Advisor to the Town Manager*; Brad Tadlock, *Fire Chief*; John Troyer, *Finance Director*; Marcy Benson, *Senior Grants Administrator*; Krista Wiedmeyer, *Town Clerk*

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**1. Call to Order**

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

**2. FOIA Compliance** Public notification of the 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**

Attendance of Town Council was confirmed by way of a roll call.

**4. Pledge to the Flag**

**5. Invocation – Reverend Dr. Robin Dease - St. Andrew by the Sea United Methodist Church**

**6. Approval of the Minutes**

- a. Regular Meeting - May 17, 2022
- b. Workshop - May 24, 2022
- c. Regular Meeting - June 7, 2022

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

**7. Report of the Town Manager**

**a. Items of Interest**

Mr. Orlando reported on that Jennifer Ray, Capital Program Manager, had recently earned the Project Management Professional certification and was bestowed the global credential of Project Management Professional from the Project Management Institute. Mr. Orlando congratulated Boy Scout Troop 245 who had recently celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Mr. Orlando reported that on July 31<sup>st</sup> the Atlanta Braves World Series Trophy would be at the Island Rec. Center. He said there would be food trucks, music, and the Braves game would be streamed. Lastly, Mr. Orlando introduced the new Senior Advisor to the Town Manager, Ben Brown. He gave an overview of Mr. Brown's background and welcomed to the Town of Hilton Head Island.

## **8. Reports of the Town Council**

### **a. General Reports from Town Council**

Mayor McCann spoke about the recent shooting at the Lowcountry Celebration Park. He said that Mr. Orlando had been speaking to the Sheriff's Office about what happened. The Mayor said that he has scheduled a meeting the second week of July with the Sheriff to go over this matter and other matters that are not so widely reported.

Mrs. Becker also spoke about the same matter as well as the reports of the vehicle break-ins. She reminded citizens that it is important that they remove their items from their vehicles and make sure to lock their vehicles too. She also asked about when the Sheriff's Office would be making their next Crime Statistics Report, asking that it be given soon.

Mrs. Becker also spoke about her concerns with the development on the Island and asked that this be made a higher priority of Town Council and that a capacity study be completed right away.

Mr. Harkins reported on the construction of the pavement on the Cross Island, asking the Town Manager if this was the final layer of pavement. Mr. Orlando stated that this was the initial layer and not the final. Mr. Harkins also spoke on the shooting matter and crime statistics reporting.

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

Mr. Harkins stated that he did not have a report.

### **c. Report of the Public Planning Committee – Councilman Ames**

Mr. Ames reported that the Committee voted unanimously on June 15<sup>th</sup> to approve moving the Electric Bike Regulations forward to Town Council, noting it would be on the next Town Council agenda.

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

Mr. Lennox reported that he as the Chair for the Committee worked with 8 members of staff to review responses from firms to work as the Town's auditor. He said two very qualified firms were interviewed and the Committee voted unanimously on the selection of the firm. Mr. Lennox stated that he anticipated this matter coming to Town Council in July or August.

## **9. Appearance by Citizens - NONE**

## **10. Unfinished Business**

- a. Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2022-15 Authorizing the Conveyance of 0.04 Acres of Real Estate Owned by the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, Under the Authority of SC Code Ann. Sec. 5-7-40 (Supp. 2021), and Sec. 2-7-20, Municipal Code of the Town of Hilton Head Island, SC (1983); and Providing for Severability and an Effective Date**

Mr. Harkins moved to approve. Mr. Stanford seconded. With no discussion, the motioned carried unanimously.

## **11. New Business**

- a. Consideration of a Resolution of the Town of Hilton Head Island Approving the Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant Entitlement Program Annual Action Plan for Project Year 2022**

Mr. Harkins moved to approve. Mr. Stanford seconded. Ms. Benson addressed Town Council providing the background of this matter. She answered questions posed to her by Town Council. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

## **12. Executive Session**

Mr. Harkins moved for Town Council to enter Executive Session for those matters referenced on the agenda. Mr. Stanford seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

## **13. Possible Actions by Town Council Concerning Matters Discussed in Executive Session**

Mr. Harkins moved to appoint Katheryn “Kay” Bayless as an At-Large member to the Board of Zoning Appeals for a Three-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and to appoint John G. Parsons as an At-Large member to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022. Mr. Stanford seconded. With no discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Harkins moved to reappoint Stephen Arnold as a Hospitality member to the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022; and Anna Ponder as an At-Large member and Robert S. Johnson as an Architect member to the Board of Zoning Appeals for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022; and Marc Ellis as a Building Industry At-Large member, Randy May as an Electrical Industry member, Joe Nix as a Contractor member, and Robert Zinn as a Building Industry At-Large member to the Construction Board of Adjustments and Appeals for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2022; and John Moleski as an At-Large member to the Design Review Board for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022; and John Campbell and Mark O’Neil as At-Large members to the Planning Commission for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022. Mr. Stanford seconded. With no discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Harkins moved to appoint Scott Wierman and Kumar Viswanathan and representing Town Council Alex Brown, David Ames, and Tom Lennox, to the Northpointe Public-Private Partnership Housing Advisory Committee. Mr. Stanford seconded. With no discussion the motion was approved 6-1, Mrs. Becker opposing.

## **14. Adjournment**

Town Council voted unanimously adjourned the meeting at 4:46 p.m.

**Approved: July 19, 2022**

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Krista M. Wiedmeyer, Town Clerk

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John J. McCann, Mayor