

**TOWN OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND  
ACCOMMODATIONS TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Date:** November 30, 2009 **Time:** 9:00 a.m.  
**Members Present:** Willis O. Shay, *Chairman*, John Diamond, *Vice-Chairman*, Michael A. Keskin,  
Bret Martin, Frank Soule, Louise Cohen, John Munro  
**Members Absent:** None  
**Staff Present:** Vicki Pfannenschmidt, *Administrative Assistant*; Debra Cyrilla, *Accounts  
Specialist*  
**Others Present:** Representatives from Agencies listed below  
**Media:** Laura Nahmias, *Island Packet* (arrival at 10:30 a.m.)

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**I Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

**II FOIA Compliance:**

Public notification of this meeting has been published, posted, and mailed in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act and the Town of Hilton Head Island requirements.

**III APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- October 20, 2009

Mr. Keskin moved to approve the Minutes of October 20, 2009. Mr. Diamond seconded the motion. The Motion passed. (6-0-1) Mr. Martin abstained because he was not present at the October 20, 2009 meeting.

- October 27, 2009

Mr. Keskin moved to approve the Minutes of October 27, 2009. Mr. Martin seconded the motion. The Motion passed. (4-0-3) Mr. Diamond, Mrs. Cohen and Mr. Munro abstained because they were not present at the October 27, 2009 meeting.

**IV CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

**V UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**VI NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Shay stated that the Committee would entertain a five minute presentation from the applicants and the remaining time would be a question and answer period. The following Applicants made presentations to the Committee:

1. Art League of Hilton Head Island
2. Island School Council for the Arts
3. Harbour Town Merchants Association/4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration
4. Town of Hilton Head Island (2 Applications)
5. Skull Creek 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration

6. Hilton Head Dance Theater
7. Hilton Head St. Patrick's Day Parade

During the presentation by the Art League of Hilton Head Island, Mr. Michael Keskin disclosed a potential conflict of interest and temporarily left the dais. The required disclosure form is attached. During the presentation by Harbour Town Merchants Association, Mr. John Munro disclosed a potential conflict of interest and temporarily left the dais. The required disclosure form is attached. During the presentation by the Town of Hilton Head Island, Mr. Frank Soule disclosed a potential conflict of interest and temporarily left the dais. The required disclosure form is attached.

The Committee broke for lunch at 12:00 PM and resumed the meeting at 1:30 PM.

The following Applicants made presentations to the Committee:

1. Hilton Head Symphony Orchestra
2. Hilton Head Choral Society
3. Lowcountry Tourism Commission
4. Main Street Youth Theater
5. Native Island Business & Community Affairs Association
6. Shelter Cove Harbour Company/Harbourfest

During the presentation by the Hilton Head Symphony Orchestra, Mr. Willis Shay disclosed a potential conflict of interest and temporarily left the dais. The required disclosure form is attached. During the presentation by the Native Island Business and Community Affairs Association, Mrs. Louise M. Cohen disclosed a potential conflict of interest and temporarily left the dais. The required disclosure form is attached. During the presentation by the Shelter Cove Harbour Company/Harbourfest, Mr. Bret Martin disclosed a potential conflict of interest and temporarily left the dais. The required disclosure form is attached.

## **VII ADJOURNMENT**

John Diamond moved to adjourn the meeting. Frank Soule seconded the Motion. The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

**Approved:**

**Respectfully submitted:**

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**Willis O. Shay, Chairman**

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**Vicki Pfannenschmidt, Administrative Assistant**