



Town of Hilton Head Island  
**TOWN COUNCIL**  
Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.  
**MEETING MINUTES**

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

**Present from Town Staff:** Josh Gruber, *Interim Town Manager*; Shawn Colin, *Interim Deputy Town Manager*; Scott Liggett, *Director of Public Projects and Facilities/Chief Engineer*; John Troyer, *Finance Director*; Jennifer Ray, *Interim Director of Community Development*; Shari Mendrick, *Floodplain Administrator*; Krista Wiedmeyer, *Exec. Assist/Town Clerk*

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**1. Call to Order**

Mayor McCann called the meeting to order at 4:00 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. Pledge to the Flag**

**4. Invocation – Reverend General Hay**

Reverend General Hay delivered the invocation.

**5. Approval of Agenda**

Mr. Harkins moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Stanford seconded. By way of roll call, the agenda was approved by a vote of 7-0.

**6. Approval of Minutes**

**a. Regular Meeting – December 15, 2020**

Mr. Harkins moved to approve the minutes from December 15, 2020. Mr. Stanford seconded. By way of roll call, the minutes were approved by a vote of 7-0.

**7. Report of the Town Manager**

**a. Program for Public Information Update – Shari Mendrick, Floodplain Administrator**

Ms. Mendrick gave a brief overview of the report and answered questions posed to her.

**b. Items of Interest**

Mr. Gruber reviewed and reported on a number of items of interest from the Town.

## **8. Reports from Members of Council**

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

Mr. Ames asked the members of Town Council to consider if the Hilton Head Island of today is the same as the Hilton Head Island of yesterday. He asked how the citizens view the Island and how they consider yesterday to today.

Mr. Brown reported that he had talked to Mr. Gruber about the 278 Engineering Oversight Committee and the lag in scheduling their first meeting. He asked that Mr. Gruber keep Town Council informed on how the committee progresses. Mayor McCann stated that he would send out a letter to the County Chairman asking him to expedite the scheduling of the first meeting.

Mrs. Becker reminded everyone participating in the meeting and watching to be sure to check their smoke detectors and have a plan. Mr. Gruber stated that the Town through the Safety and Prevention division of Fire Rescue could help those in need.

Mayor McCann reported that he was drafting a letter to the Governor asking him to get the COVID-19 vaccine rolled out in a more expeditious fashion.

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

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

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

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

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

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

## **9. Proclamations/Commendations – NONE**

## **10. Appearance by Citizens**

Amber Kuehn: Addressed the members of Town Council on matters concerning citizens addressing Town Council during their meetings.

Skip Hoagland: Addressed the members of Town Council on matters concerning the Town and the Chamber of Commerce.

## **11. Unfinished Business - None**

## **12. New Business**

### **a. Town Council General Discussion of Town Code Sec. 2-5.70 - Appearance by Citizens**

Mayor McCann asked the members of Town Council to review the Town Code as it relates to Appearance by Citizens. He said he has directed Mr. Gruber to set-up a community survey seeking feedback on the same. Mayor McCann said after Council has had time to review and consider and feedback is received from the community, this item would be brought back for full discussion and consideration.

**13. Executive Session - None**

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

**15. Adjournment**

By unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

**Approved: January 19, 2021**

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Krista M. Wiedmeyer, Town Clerk

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John J. McCann, Mayor