



Town of Hilton Head Island
TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
Monday, September 20, 2021 at 11:00 a.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, *Town Council Members*

Present from Town Staff: Marc Orlando, *Town Manager*; Josh Gruber, *Deputy Town Manager*; Shawn Colin, *Advisor to the Town Manager*; Angie Stone, *Assistant Town Manager*; John Troyer, *Finance Director*; Krista Wiedmeyer, *Town Clerk*

1. Call to Order

Mayor McCann called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.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. Approval of the Agenda

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

5. Pledge to the Flag

6. Consideration of a Resolution – Local Option Sales Tax

Consideration of a Resolution of the Town of Hilton Head Island supporting the passage of a Local Option Sales Tax, providing for the distribution and usage of revenues generated thereunder, and authorizing the Town's participation in a public education effort in partnership with other local governments in Beaufort County.

Mr. Orlando opened the discussion by providing some background on the Local Option Sales Tax, noting that the Beaufort County Council has approved to have this matter on the November ballot. He said that Bluffton, Port Royal and Beaufort have executed resolutions of support in favor of the Local Option Sales Tax. Upon concluding his opening statements, Mr. Orlando introduced Mr. Troyer to deliver a presentation to the Mayor and Town Council.

Mr. Troyer reviewed where the LOST numbers were obtained and what the State law allows. He reviewed and summarized the estimated tax relief for the Town. Mr. Troyer explained how the Town may choose to allocate some or all of the Municipal Revenue for additional Town tax relief. He reviewed and discussed the tax relieve compared to other jurisdictions. Mr. Troyer walked through some sample calculations using a property appraised at \$350,000, noting the tax credit is \$530. He closed his presentation by reviewing the recommendation to adopt a resolution supporting the Local Option Sales Tax and answering questions from the members of Town Council. The vote for this matter was subsequently tabled to a later meeting where the Mayor and Town Council will review this matter again. The Mayor asked that a new resolution be returned noting the Town's support for the referendum being on the ballot, but not for the passing of actual referendum itself.

7. Adjournment

By unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 12:54 p.m.

Approved: October 5, 2021

Krista M. Wiedmeyer, Town Clerk

John J. McCann, Mayor