



**Town of Hilton Head Island  
COMMUNITY SERVICES &  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
Monday, March 28, 2022, 10:00 a.m.  
MINUTES**

**Present from Committee:** Bill Harkins, *Chairman*; David Ames, Tom Lennox, *Committee Members*

**Absent from Committee:** Tamara Becker, *Committee Member*

**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*; John Tuttle, *Technology & Innovation Director*; Carolyn Grant, *Communications Director*; Brad Tadlock, *Fire Chief*; Joheida Fister, *Deputy Fire Chief*; Chris Blankenship, *Deputy Fire Chief*; Christopher Osterman, *Senior Fire Inspector*; Krista Wiedmeyer, *Town Clerk*

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**1. Call to Order**

Mr. Harkins called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**2. FOIA Compliance**

Ms. Wiedmeyer confirmed compliance with the SC Freedom of Information Act.

**3. Roll Call**

Ms. Wiedmeyer called the roll, confirming the attendance of the members present. Mrs. Becker was absent.

**4. Approval of the Minutes**

- a. Regular Meeting – February 28, 2022

**5. Appearance by Citizens**

Ms. Wiedmeyer affirmed that there were no citizens signed up to address the committee.

**6. New Business**

- a. Beaufort County Sheriff's Office Quarterly Crime Statistics Update - Major Angela Viens

Major Viens of the Beaufort County Sheriff's Office delivered her report on the fourth quarter crime statistics. She answered various questions posed to her by the Committee.

- b. Hilton Head Island Fire Rescue 2021 Annual Report - Chief Chris Blankenship

Chief Tadlock opened the report before turning it over to Deputy Chief Blankenship who delivered a detailed report. Upon the conclusion of his report, he answered various question from the Committee.

- c. Consideration of a Resolution from the Planning Commission Recommending Hilton Head Island Town Council and Beaufort County Council Work Together in the Development of a New Long-Term Agreement that will Secure the Landfill and Recycling Needs of Hilton Head Island and Beaufort County

Mr. Colin gave a brief presentation on this item, noting that an initiative to do an analysis on solid waste and recycling is part of the Strategic Plan adopted by Town Council. He said the Greater Island Council has taken the initiative and drafted a resolution in May 2021 to the Planning Commission who supported and recommended that it be brought forward to Town Council. Mr. Colin pointed out that Beaufort County currently manages the Public Solid Waste and Recycling program on Hilton Head Island as well as a solid waste drop-off located on Summit Drive. Upon the completion of his presentation, he asked Peter Kristian and Marc Baker, both representing the Greater Island Council to address the Committee about the resolution and proposed program.

Mr. Kristian and Mr. Baker reviewed the proposed program, explaining that they had been speaking with members of the Beaufort County Council about developing a sustainability campus somewhere south of the Broad, most likely off the Island. They noted that having a sustainability campus would assist greatly and be more economically feasible.

Members from the Committee asked various questions before Mr. Ames moved to approve forwarding the Resolution to Town Council for consideration. Mr. Lennox seconded. The motion carried 3-0.

- d. HUD/CDBG Entitlement Program - 2022 Annual Action Plan Request for Project Approval

Ms. Benson delivered a brief presentation and report of the 2022 Annual Action Plan request and project approval. She noted that staff was recommending the Committee forward a recommendation to Town Council to select Taylor Family Park as the 2022 Community Development Block Grant project for inclusion in the Town's 2022 Annual Action Plan. Ms. Benson said that approval of the park as the 2022 CDBG project would allow for the 2022 allocation along with approximately \$32,000.00 from the 2019 funding allocation to be used for the project. She reviewed the public input process and feedback received. Upon the end of her presentation she answered questions from the Committee.

Mr. Lennox moved to approve forwarding the Resolution to Town Council for consideration. Mr. Ames seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

- e. Consideration of a Lease of Jointly-Owned Land by Beaufort County and the Town of Hilton Head Island with the Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park

Ms. Lopko delivered a presentation to the Committee showing where these parcels are in conjunction with Mitchelville Freedom Park. Mr. Ward also spoke to the Committee and answered various questions.

Mr. Ames moved to approve forwarding a recommendation to Town Council to approve the lease. Mr. Lennox seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

## 7. Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

**Approved:**

Drafted and Submitted by:  
Krista M. Wiedmeyer, Town Clerk

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[www.hiltonheadislandsc.gov](http://www.hiltonheadislandsc.gov)**