



Town of Hilton Head Island
TOWN COUNCIL
Tuesday, January 18, 2022, 3:00 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, *Town Council Members*

Present from Town Staff: Marc Orlando, *Town Manager*; Josh Gruber, *Deputy Town Manager*; Angie Stone, *Assistant Town Manager*; Shawn Colin, *Advisor to the Town Manager*; Chris Yates, *Interim-Director of Community Development*; Jeff Buckalew, *Interim-Director of Infrastructure Services*; Missy Luick, *Senior Planner*; Krista Wiedmeyer, *Town Clerk*

1. Call to Order

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

2. FOIA Compliance

Ms. Wiedmeyer confirmed compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

3. Roll Call

Attendance was confirmed by way of roll call.

4. Pledge to the Flag

5. Invocation – Rabbi Brad Bloom – Congregation Beth Yam

Rabbi Bloom delivered the invocation.

6. Approval of the Agenda

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

7. Approval of the Minutes

a. Town Council Regular Meeting – January 4, 2022

Mr. Harkins moved to approve the minutes listed on the agenda. Mr. Stanford Seconded. The motion carried 7-0.

8. Report of the Town Manager

a. Items of Interest

b. Presentation of the 2021 Utility Tax Credit Award – Ashley Feaster, Economic/Community Development Manager, Palmetto Electric

Mr. Colin gave a quick overview of the project associated with the Utility Tax Credit Award before turning it over to Ms. Feaster who “virtually” presented the check and congratulated the Town.

c. Design Review Board Bi-Annual Update – Cathy Foss, Chairwoman

Ms. Foss delivered a report from the Design Review Board, reviewing the last six months of Board activity.

- d. Status Update of the Gullah-Geechee Land & Cultural Preservation Project Workplan – Anne Cyran, Interim Comprehensive Planning Manager

Ms. Cyran reviewed and provided an update on the Gullah-Geechee Land & Cultural Preservation Project Workplan to the Mayor and Town Council and answered questions posed.

9. Reports of the Members of the Council

- a. General Reports from Town Council

Mrs. Becker spoke about the recent vehicle break ins that have occurred throughout the island. She wanted to remind everyone to be sure to remove all their personal belongings from their cars and be sure to lock them at night.

Mr. Brown asked for confirmation that Mr. Taylor, the CEO of Hilton Head Regional would be at an upcoming meeting to discuss housing with Town Council. Mayor McCann confirmed.

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

Mr. Harkins reported that the Committee met on January 13, 2022 where they discussed and approved the code updates related to the beach definition. He also reported that a discussion was had about an agreement with Hilton Head Plantation and the Town for beach renourishment of Pine Island.

- c. Report of the Public Planning Committee – Councilman Ames

Mr. Ames reported on the upcoming public forums on short-term rentals.

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

Mr. Lennox reported that the Committee considered the Affiliated Agency Application and would be forwarding the recommendation to approve to the Town Council. He said they discussed the redistricting schedule and process and planned to begin getting the workshops and meetings set up. Mr. Lennox reported that the Committee met with the Town's Auditor to discuss the recent audit and that Mr. Troyer presented an update on the Town's financials.

10. Appearance by Citizens

Mr. Hoagland was called upon several times to address Town Council but did not respond.

11. Unfinished Business

- a. Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2022-01 Authorizing the Execution of a Termination for an Easement Located at 9 Bayberry Lane, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina.

Mr. Harkins moved to approve. Mr. Stanford seconded. With no discussion, the motion carried 7-0.

12. New Business

- a.** First Reading of Proposed Ordinance to Amend Chapter 1 of Title 8 (Beaches), of the Municipal Code of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, by amending Section 8-1-112 relating to the Definition of Beach; and providing for severability and an effective date.

Mr. Harkins moved to approve. Mr. Stanford seconded. Mr. Buckalew reviewed the ordinance and answered questions posed to him by Town Council. With limited discussion, the motion carried 7-0.

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:48 p.m.

Approved: February 15, 2022

John J. McCann, Mayor

Krista M. Wiedmeyer, Town Clerk