



Town of Hilton Head Island  
**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
Tuesday, November 1, 2022, 2:00 p.m.  
**MINUTES**

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

**Absent from Town Council:** Tamara Becker, *Town Council Member*

**Present from Town Staff:** Marc Orlando, *Town Manager*; Josh Gruber, *Deputy Town Manager*; Angie Stone, *Assistant Town Manager*; Shawn Colin, *Assistant Town Manager-Community Development*; Ben Brown, *Senior Advisor to the Town Manager*; Chris Blankenship, *Fire Chief*; John Troyer, *Finance Director*; Krista Wiedmeyer, *Town Clerk*

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**1. Call to Order**

Mayor McCann called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

- 2. FOIA Compliance** Public notification of the 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**

Attendance of Town Council was confirmed by way of a roll call. Mrs. Becker was absent.

**4. Executive Session**

At 2:02 p.m., Mr. Harkins moved to enter into Executive Session for the items referenced on the agenda. Mr. Stanford seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

At 2:51 p.m. Town Council returned to the dais.

**5. Pledge to the Flag**

**6. Invocation – Pastor Greg Kronz (Ret.)**

Pastor Kronz delivered the invocation.

**7. Approval of the Minutes**

- a. Regular Meeting – October 18, 2022**

Mr. Harkins moved to approve the minutes listed on the agenda. Mr. Stanford seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

**8. Report of the Town Manager**

- a. Items of Interest**

Mr. Orlando reported that the Flood Mitigation Assistance Grants application period opened on September 30<sup>th</sup> and closes December 1<sup>st</sup>. He reviewed the program and provided contact information for Marcy Benson, the Town's Senior Grants Administrator.

## 9. Reports of the Town Council

### a. General Reports from Town Council

No Reports.

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

Mr. Harkins reported that the Committee met and approved a recommendation moving to Town Council an ordinance to update the Local Comprehensive Beach Management Plan for the Town of Hilton Head Island.

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

Mr. Lennox, who sat in as Chairman on behalf of Mr. Ames reported that the Committee met and received reports on the Short-Term Rental Ordinance and Program, introductions on SWOT analysis on both the Island resiliency and solid waste and recycling program and approved a recommendation moving to Town Council a resolution supporting the request made by the Greater Island Council concerning collaboration with Beaufort County on the solid waste and recycling program.

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

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

## 10. Appearance by Citizens

**Skip Hoagland:** addressed Town Council on matters concerning the Town and Chamber finances.

**Neal Post:** addressed Town Council on the Beaufort County Sheriff's Fee on tax bills.

**Martin Lesch, Risa Prince, Jane Joseph:** addressed Town Council on the Accommodation and Hospitality Tax matter on the agenda, asking Town Council to table the matter until it has been further reviewed by the public.

**Rabbi Bloom, Sandy West, Pastor June, George Paletta, Sandy Gillis, Jack Alderman, Carol Benton:** addressed Town Council on the Workforce Housing matter on the agenda, asking Town Council to approve the item.

**Gallen Miller:** addressed Town Council as the Chair of the MLK Committee for Justice, asking that as part of the Mid-Island Tract Master Plan, a memorial for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. be included.

## 11. Consent Agenda

- a. Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2022-20 Authorizing the Exchange of Real Property Identified as Barker Field, the Old School House Property, the Cross Island Boat Landing, and a One Acre Parcel Located on Jenkins Road with Beaufort County
- b. Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2022-18 to Amend the Town of Hilton Head Island Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023; to Provide for the Budgeted Appropriations of the Prior Year Budget Roll Forwards, Certain Other Appropriations and Commitments, the Expenditures of Certain Funds, and to Allocate these Funds

Mr. Harkins moved to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Stanford seconded. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

## **12. New Business**

- a.** Consideration of a Resolution of the Town of Hilton Head Island Calling on the South Carolina Legislative Delegation to Amend the South Carolina Code of Laws to Approve the Use of Accommodation and Hospitality Taxes for Workforce Housing Purposes; and to Amend the South Carolina Code of Laws so as to Increase the Amount of South Carolina Housing Tax Credits Appropriated Annually to \$40,000,000

Mr. Harkins moved to approve. Mr. Stanford seconded. With some discussion from Town Council and the public, the motion carried 6-0.

- b.** Consideration of a Resolution of the Town of Hilton Head Island Authorizing the Town to Enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Beaufort County for the Collection of Library and Transportation Impact Fees

After much discussion, Mr. Harkins moved to return this matter to Committee to discuss further. Mr. Stanford seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

- c.** Consideration of a Resolution of the Town of Hilton Head Island Approving the Use of the "Good Neighbor" Funds from the American Rescue Plan Act for Beaufort County Toward the Town's Participation in the Beaufort and Jasper Counties Regional Housing Trust Fund and as Seed Funding for the Gullah Geechee Historic Neighborhoods Community Development Corporation in Accordance with Federal Guidelines

Mr. Harkins moved to approve. Mr. Stanford seconded. After much discussion, Mr. Stanford moved to amend, clarifying the funding amounts and uses, noting that the Regional Housing Trust Fund would receive \$156,815 and the Gullah Geechee Historic Neighborhoods Community Development Corporation would receive \$343,185. Mr. Ames seconded. The motion to amend carried by a vote of 6-0. The original motion as amended was approved by a vote of 6-0.

- d.** Consideration of a Resolution of the Town of Hilton Head Island Approving the Workforce Housing Framework

Mr. Harkins moved to approve. Mr. Stanford seconded. Mr. Brown asked that an update on the program be on the agenda under the Town Manager's report.. After some discussion, Mr. Ames moved to amend the motion, authorizing the Town Manager to allocate \$1,000,000 from the Fiscal Year 2023 budget to the implementation of the Workforce Housing Framework. Mr. Brown seconded. After some continued discussion the motion to amend carried by a vote of 6-0. The original motion as amended carried by a vote of 6-0.

- e.** Consideration of a Resolution of the Town of Hilton Head Island Approving the Mid-Island Tract Master Plan

Mr. Harkins moved to approve. Mr. Stanford seconded. With little discussion, the motion carried 6-0.

- f.** Consideration of a Resolution of the Town of Hilton Head Island Approving the Mid-Island District Plan

Mr. Harkins moved to approve. Mr. Stanford seconded. With little discussion, the motion carried 6-0.

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

Mr. Harkins made a motion to appoint Tony Alfieri to the Regional Housing Trust Oversight Board for a two-year term ending November 1, 2024. Mr. Stanford seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Harkins moved to approve the resolution by the Hilton Head Island Town Council authorizing the Mayor to executed a contract extension with Curtis L. Coltrane as the Town Attorney to align with the current Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2023. Mr. Stanford seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

**14. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

**Approved: November 15, 2022**

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Krista M. Wiedmeyer, Town Clerk

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John J. McCann, Mayor