

TOWN OF SEABROOK ISLAND

Environment & Wildlife Committee Regular Meeting
September 8, 2022 - 1:00pm



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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Approval of Minutes for the August 11, 2002, EWC meeting.

Old/New Business

- 1 – Report on September 7 beach briefing conducted by SIPOA and Coastal Science and Engineering.
- 2 – Report on August 15 meeting with Beach Patrol.
- 3 – Shorebird Festival.
- 4 – Continued discussion of possible changes to the Town’s beach ordinance.

Adjourn

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MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Present: Jeri Finke (Chair), Mark Andrews, Martha Goldstein, Dean Morr
Absent: Patti Romano
Staff Present: Joe Cronin (Town Administrator), Katharine Watkins (Town Clerk)

Approval of Minutes for the June 9, 2022, EWC meeting

Mr. Morr moved to approve the previous meeting minutes of June 9th; Mr. Andrews seconded.

Mr. Andrews moved to amend the previous meeting minutes to include the full seasons data report as follows:

“Through 6/22/22 end of season, we talked to 746 people, 473 visitors (64%). 166 hours. Only one negative encounter for the season - teenage boys running though nesting area. Dogs remained at 4. Shorter season but similar numbers of people compared with 2021: 768/521visitors (68%).”

Mr. Morr seconded. All voted in favor.

The amendment was approved.

Using the original motion, the Committee voted on the previous meeting minutes as amended; all voted in favor.

The previous meeting minutes of June 9, 2022 were approved as amended.

Old Business

Continued discussion of recommending to Council changes to the Town’s beach ordinance, including reviewing policies for specific issues for possible regulation and inclusion in a revised ordinance, such as:

- 1) prohibiting swimming in Captain Sams Inlet (define “swimming”)
- 2) prohibiting balloons, drones, stunt kites
- 3) tightening the prohibition on glass containers, adding prohibition on straws, coolers, etc.
- 4) limiting shovel type (should depth of holes being dug be limited?)
- 5) if and how to limit parasailing off the shoreline
- 6) recognizing professional photographers’ presence on beach for photo shoots
- 7) tightening rules on watercraft
- 8) expanding fishing rules (including limiting # of poles set)
- 9) adding provisions on weddings, memorial services, and special events

Ms. Finke summarized the recommendations for revisions to the beach ordinance by section.

A discussion was had on each recommendation as presented with Town Administrator Cronin.

New Business

Beach Patrol – Is coverage sufficient? Or does a month or more need added to better coordinate with the shorebird migration seasons?

Ms. Finke noted there will be a meeting with Beach Patrol on Monday August 15th with Town Administrator Cronin to discuss this.

Charleston County Greenbelt Program – How to proceed with project development?

Ms. Finke noted some conversations with the Charleston County Greenbelt Program with regards to projects behind the gate.

A discussion was had on potential projects outside of the gate.

Charging Stations – FYI about working with Berkeley Electric for installation in 2023.

Ms. Finke with Town Administrator Cronin noted the Town will be working with Berkeley Electric Co-op to install charging stations at Town Hall.

Adjourn

Mr. Morr moved to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Andrews seconded. All voted in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 2:59PM.

Date: August 11, 2022

Prepared by: *Katharine E. Watkins*
Town Clerk/Treasurer

SEABROOK BEACH PATROL ACTIVITY

08 01 2022-08 31 2022



Run on 01-Sep-2022 06:30 by the Watchtower Smart Report Automation

INCIDENT BREAKDOWN

This is a breakdown of all top level incidents. See following pages for breakdown of individual incident categories.

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents	Call For Service Breakdown
Agency Operations	0	0	0%
Attendance	1768	3	0.15%
Boat	5	1	0.05%
Contact	16	14	0.68%
Enforcement	75	53	2.57%
Follow Up Request	0	0	0%
Major Medical Aid	1	1	0.05%
Minor Medical Aid	28	25	1.21%
Missing Person	0	0	0%
Patrol	15	5	0.24%
Prevention	4	2	0.10%
Public Safety Dashboard	0	0	0%
Rescue	5	2	0.10%
Training	5	4	0.19%
Wildlife	19	18	0.87%
Total	1941	128	2066 Total Calls In Period

NOTABLE INCIDENTS

Label	Incident Time	Involved Parties
Enforcement / STR / Bikes Beach Gear 14-506f	Tue 08/30/2022 07:45 PM	1

AGENCY OPERATIONS

0

Total Victims/Involved

0

Total Incidents

0

Total Calls

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents
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ATTENDANCE

1768

Total Victims/Involved

3

Total Incidents

3

Total Calls

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents
Attendance (Not Specified)	468	1
Beach	1300	2

BOAT

5

Total Victims/Involved

1

Total Incidents

1

Total Calls

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents
Assist	5	1
- Motorboat	5	1

CONTACT

16

Total Victims/Involved

14

Total Incidents

14

Total Calls

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents
Beach Water Hazard	1	1
Providing Information	7	6
Public Assist	5	5
Public Education	1	1
Unsafe Activity	2	1

ENFORCEMENT

75

Total Victims/Involved

53

Total Incidents

53

Total Calls

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents
Verbal Warning	1	1
- Beached Boat 16-803 32-48	1	1
Verbal Warning	7	4
- Critical Habitat 16-604 32-43a	7	4
Verbal Warning	3	1
- Fishing 32-57	3	1
Verbal Warning	17	9
- Glass 16-818 32-53	17	9
Verbal Warning	32	28
- Leash 7-201 32-44	32	28
Verbal Warning	3	1
- Other	3	1
Verbal Warning	1	1
- Shovel 16-409 32-54	1	1
Verbal Warning	8	5
- Swim Wade 15-314 32-43b	8	5
Verbal Warning	2	2
- Vehicle 16-302b 32-42	2	2
Written Warning	1	1
- Storage 16-805 32-50	1	1

FOLLOW UP REQUEST

0

Total Victims/Involved

0

Total Incidents

0

Total Calls

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents
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MAJOR MEDICAL AID

1

Total Victims/Involved

1

Total Incidents

1

Total Calls

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents
Unknown Medical	1	1
- Refused Medical Aid	1	1

MINOR MEDICAL AID

28

Total Victims/Involved

25

Total Incidents

25

Total Calls

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents
JellyFish	18	15
Laceration Abrasion	2	2
Other	1	1
Sprain Strain	1	1
Stingray	6	6

MISSING PERSON

0

Total Victims/Involved

0

Total Incidents

0

Total Calls

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents
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PATROL

15

Total Victims/Involved

5

Total Incidents

5

Total Calls

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents
Patrol (Not Specified)	15	5

PREVENTION

4

Total Victims/Involved

2

Total Incidents

2

Total Calls

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents
Other	1	1
Surf	3	1
- Apparatus	3	1

PUBLIC SAFETY DASHBOARD

0

Total Victims/Involved

0

Total Incidents

0

Total Calls

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents
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RESCUE

5

Total Victims/Involved

2

Total Incidents

2

Total Calls

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents
Open Water	4	1
- Apparatus	4	1
Open Water	1	1
- Other	1	1

TRAINING

5

Total Victims/Involved

4

Total Incidents

4

Total Calls

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents
Other	1	1
Physical Fitness	4	3
- Paddle	4	3

WILDLIFE

19

Total Victims/Involved

18

Total Incidents

18

Total Calls

Label	Involved Parties	Total Incidents
Wildlife (Not Specified)	1	1
Bird	6	6
- Dead	6	6
Bird	2	2
- Injured	2	2
Fish	1	1
- Dead	1	1
Mammal	2	2
- Dead	2	2
Other	1	1
- Dead	1	1
Other	1	1
- Live	1	1
Shark	2	2
- Dead	2	2
Shark	1	1
- Live	1	1
Turtle	2	1
- Live	2	1