

# TOWN OF SEABROOK ISLAND

Town Council Work Session

April 12, 2022 – 1:00PM

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## MINUTES

### 1. Call to Order – Roll Call – Freedom of Information

Mayor Gregg called the April 12, 2022, Town Council Work Session to order at 1:00PM. Councilwomen Finke and Fox, Councilmen Goldstein and Kortvelesy, Town Administrator Cronin, Building & Grounds Manager Meyer, and Town Clerk Watkins participated in the meeting. The Town Clerk confirmed that notice of the meeting was properly posted, and the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act had been met.

### 2. Mayor John Gregg

- Update Concerning Road Improvements on Johns Island (Charleston County Presentation)

Mayor Gregg summarized the meeting held on April 4 with representatives from Charleston County Public Works who presented updates of proposals for improvements of Johns Islands roads in the area referred to as Main Road Corridor Segment C (area bounded by portion of Maybank Highway between intersections with River Road and Bohicket road, portion of Bohicket Road between intersections with Maybank Highway and Betsy Kerrison Parkway and portion of River Road between intersections with Bohicket Road and Maybank Highway).

Of five Alternatives that were presented to the public in 2020, three are maintained and/or updated:

- Alternative 1 (widening of Bohicket Road to four lanes)
- Alternative 3 (new road lying between Bohicket Road and River Road from intersection of Bohicket Road and Betsy Kerrison Parkway to Plow Ground Road)
- Alternative 4 (combination of portion of Bohicket Road (from vicinity of intersection with Edenvale Road to Maybank Highway) in combination with new road from that portion of Bohicket Road to extension of Mark Clark Expressway (I-526))

In addition, new proposals are to be presented to the public:

- Alternative 1A (addition of multi-use path to Bohicket Road and two new lanes to portion of Bohicket Road from intersection with Edenvale Road to intersection with Maybank Highway)
- Alternative 6 (replace intersection of Bohicket Road and Maybank Highway with traffic circle (with by-pass lanes) change location of intersection of Edenvale Road and Bohicket Road and replace that intersection with traffic circle)

- Alternative 7 (substantially same improvements to Bohicket Road as Alternative 1A together with widening of Plow Ground Road to intersection with River Road).

Mayor Gregg further noted current planning calls for public meetings concerning the foregoing updated Alternatives on April 28 and May 12.

- Update Concerning Temporary Debris Sites (submissions to SCDHEC)

Mayor Gregg noted that on March 17 the Town received a request from South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (“SCDHEC”) that the Town submit applications for approval of sites it proposes to use for temporary storage and reduction of debris. SCDHEC requires such applications annually irrespective of whether there have been any changes affecting proposed sites. Mayor Gregg added applications were submitted on April 7 for two sites: Equestrian Center Pasture at 2313 Seabrook Island Road; and Part Andell Tract at 829 Kiawah Island Parkway. This is the first year the Town has sought SCDHEC approval for the site fronting on Kiawah Island Parkway. It is a site that the Town of Kiawah has had approved by SCDHEC in recent years.

### **3. Town Council Members:**

- **Jeri Finke**

Councilwoman Finke noted the Ad Hoc Committee for Short-Term Rental will be presenting their findings to Council at the upcoming Town Council meeting.

Councilwoman Finke added the upcoming Environment and Wildlife Committee meeting for April.

- **Patricia Fox**

Councilwoman Fox summarized the most recent communications for the Town since the March Town Council meeting.

Councilwoman Fox summarized the most recent long range planning meeting with the Seabrook Island Property Owners Association.

Councilwoman Fox further noted the upcoming Community Promotions and Engagement Committee on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

- **Barry Goldstein**

Councilman Goldstein summarized the Public Works Committee held on Monday April 4<sup>th</sup>.

- **Dan Kortvelesy**

Councilman Kortvelesy noted the Public Safety Committee will be meeting on April 19<sup>th</sup> and they will review the Comprehensive Emergency Plan for updates.

#### 4. Town Administrator Joe Cronin

- Introduction of Building & Grounds Manager

Town Administrator Cronin introduced the new Building & Grounds Manager Robert Meyer.

Town Administrator Cronin updated Council on the status of the equipment purchased for the position.

Town Administrator Cronin noted to include Mr. Meyer with the Comprehensive Emergency Plan update and recommendations.

Town Administrator Cronin further noted the Greenery contract has been extended until the end of April while the Town purchases the necessary equipment needed to maintain the Town's landscaped areas.

- Vehicle Purchase Update

Town Administrator Cronin updated Council that a vehicle was purchased for \$39,000 with the expectation that vehicle will be used primarily by the Building and Grounds Manager.

- Storage Unit Update

Town Administrator Cronin updated Council that Town materials stored off-site had been moved to a storage unit on Johns Island in place of the storage unit in West Ashley.

- DSO Update

Town Administrator Cronin noted that first reading for the enacting ordinance for the DSO (Development Standards Ordinance) during the April 26<sup>th</sup> Town Council meeting and summarized the ordinance.

Council discussed the time for the public hearing on May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

- Seabrook Island Club Beach Shuttle

Town Administrator Cronin updated Council on the discussion with the Seabrook Island Club to have a Trolley Service on Seabrook Island. Town Administrator Cronin noted potential funds if Council would like to participate in this program.

Council discussed the logistics of the proposed service, and if the Town has heard whether the Seabrook Island Property Owners Association will be participating or contributing to costs of operation.

Council clarified who would be able to use shuttle, where the stops would be located around the island, how this service would satisfy the public benefit criteria for using

public funds (i.e., state or county Accommodations Tax Funds), and how this service would be regulated.

## 5. Adjourn

Councilwoman Finke moved to adjourn the meeting; Councilman Kortvelesy seconded. All voted in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 1:52PM.

Date: April 13, 2022

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