

Town of Seabrook Island
Public Safety Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 12, 2020

The Public Safety Committee met Monday, October 12, 2020, and was called to order at 10:00 AM via videoconference, Committee Chair Crane presiding. Committee members attending included Frank Farfone, Art Jones, Ed Maher, and Elizabeth Murphy. Town Administrator Joe Cronin also attended. The agenda for the meeting is attached.

The Chair confirmed that all requirements of SC FOIA had been complied with for the meeting and that a quorum was present.

1. Approval of minutes

Ed Maher made a motion to approve the minutes from the Special Meeting September 2, 2020 as presented to the committee. Art Jones seconded, and the minutes were approved.

The regularly scheduled meeting for September 14 was cancelled because the committee held the Special Meeting. The agenda for the Special Meeting listed the meeting for the 14th as the next upcoming meeting. The correction is noted for these minutes (October 12).

2. Pandemic Update

The Chair confirmed that the Town status is unchanged (emergency but OpCon 3); masks or face coverings are required at all business establishments and on all beach boardwalks within the Town. SC DHEC reports that cases in SC are on the rise again. SC DHEC also confirmed that wearing a mask, respecting appropriate distancing from each other, and ensuring we wash hands is still the most effective combination of activities to combat the virus and lessen it's chance to spread. So far our community remains in very good shape.

3. CEP Update

The committee work for this item is done until next year. Council was presented with an ordinance for adopting the latest CEP update on September 22 (Committee reviewed and approved at the Special Meeting September 2), and the required second reading will be done at Council meeting on October 27).

4. Other Business

a. Local safety issues

The Chair addressed two items for information purposes. (1) Changes to the bike/pedestrian path to help improve visibility have been postponed due to lack of available funding; and (2) plans for changes to the Landfall Way intersection are being discussed by the SIPOA Safety and Security and Long-Range Planning committees. Both items have been discussed in prior PSC meetings.

b. Disaster Awareness Day

The Chair reported that Disaster Awareness Day for 2021 is currently scheduled for Thursday June 10, 2021, in conjunction with Kiawah.

c. Beach Patrol schedule

Joe reminded us that the schedule for Beach Patrol changed from summer to winter hours in October. This is also a contract year, so the Town will be issuing requests for proposals for Beach Patrol services in the next month or so.

d. HAM radio test

The most recent HAM radio test conducted on September 18 was a success. New cable connectors were installed for the tower at Town Hall, and the network is back in business.

5. Next Meeting Date (Nov 9, 2020)

Frank Farfone made a motion to adjourn, Ed Maher seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 AM.

MEETING

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10:00 am (Teleconference)

AGENDA

1. Approve minutes from Special Committee meeting Sep 2, 2020
2. Status for ongoing items
 - a. Pandemic Update
 - b. CEP Update—
 - i. Council has been presented with an ordinance for adopting the latest CEP update (Committee has reviewed and approved in September)
 - ii. Second reading will be at the next Council meeting his month (Oct 27)
 - c. Local safety issues—
 - i. Bike/Pedestrian path postponed for funding
 - ii. Landfall Way intersection
 - d. Upcoming events—
 - i. Disaster Awareness postponed from 2020 is scheduled for Thursday June 10, 2021, in conjunction with Kiawah

Next Meeting: November 9, 2020

Adjourn