



PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
3:30pm, Wednesday, June 8, 2022
1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC
and broadcasted live on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofisleofpalms>

MINUTES

1. Call to order

Present: Council members Bogosian, Hahn, and Ward

Staff Present: Director Kerr, Director Pitts, Asst. Director Asero

2. Approval of previous meeting's minutes – May 4, 2022

Council Member Hahn made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2022 meeting, and Council Member Bogosian seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Citizens' Comments -- none

4. Department Reports – Director Pitts and Assistant Director Asero

Director Pitts said garbage collection was down a little for May. The Public Works department remains caught up on clearing yard debris. While there was an uptick in vehicle maintenance in May, Director Pitts said they will end the year significantly under budget in that line item.

Asst. Director Asero reported that the tide valves for the SCDOT project at 25th Avenue have arrived and are waiting to be installed. He said the project at 30th Avenue is also going very well.

Eadie's has been back on the island clearing vegetation at 41st Avenue as well as the ditch between Forest Trail and 34th Avenue and other places around the island.

Facilities maintenance work included a roof leak repair at City Hall, a repair of a bathroom leak at the Public Safety Building, and the scheduling of a generator check at the Public Safety Building. He is also working on estimates for a security system for the Public Works Building.

Cleanups of the municipal lots on front beach continue. Cigarette receptacles are being installed around the island. They have also been coordinating with the IOP Cleanup Crew for beach sweeps.

Asst. Director Asero reported that he has seen many golf carts using the newly completed golf cart path at Ocean Park Plaza.

Public Works staff has regraded and reinstalled 200' of MobiMat at 9th Avenue and added 50' of MobiMat at 42nd Avenue. They have also been discussing an additional emergency entrance and exit at 14th Avenue with the Fire Department.

Citywide flower installation, the Memorial Day flag installation, and the installation of a welcome sign at the public dock were also completed in May.

The compactor and dumpsters continue to have weekly washing and the concrete pad has been professionally power washed. Welding for the new gate at the compactor is complete and a new garbage chute for the compactor has been installed. The restroom attendant is monitoring the compactor weekly and three times a day on the weekend. Asst. Director Asero said that the extra monitoring is extremely helpful. He has not received any feedback from the area businesses about the changes at the compactor site. He shared that Mr. Jones is going to pour a concrete slab later this summer where the rats seem to be congregating, and he believes that will also help.

5. Old Business

A. Update on Phase III Drainage Project [Strategic Plan Priority 5, Goal c]

Director Kerr reported that the project at 30th Avenue is going very well. They have crossed the golf course and should be able to reopen the course soon. Staff continues to work through the issue with the power pole at the intersection with Waterway Boulevard. The road closure proposed for the end of July is being shifted to the end of August after school is back in session.

B. Update on the installation of improvements to golf cart path along Ocean Park Plaza and intersection improvements at Ocean Boulevard and JC Long Boulevard [Strategic Plan Priority 1, Goal b]

Council Member Ward said he is pleased that the golf cart path project at Ocean Park Plaza is complete. Director Kerr reported the contract for the intersection improvements at Ocean Boulevard and JC Long Boulevard has been executed but the work will be delayed until the end of August.

C. Discussion of improvements to existing compactor located at the Small Municipal Parking Lot

This topic was covered in Asst. Director Asero's report.

6. New Business

A. Discussion of recommendations from the Environmental Advisory Committee on beach holes and shovel prohibition

Director Kerr said this suggestion comes from the Wildlife subcommittee of the Environmental Advisory Committee out of concern for the sea turtles and the health and safety of those walking along the beach. He said a similar action was suggested many years ago and did not come to fruition. The contractor on the beach and sometimes the BSOs will fill in holes left behind by beach visitors, but he is unsure how frequently that happens. Several beach communities in South Carolina have adopted such an ordinance as presented to the Committee.

Committee members had no issue with the filling of the holes needing to be done before sunset. After a brief discussion, Council Member Ward said the issue should return to the Environmental Advisory Committee for further work.

7. **Miscellaneous Business -- none**

8. **Adjournment**

Council Member Bogosian made a motion to adjourn, and Council Member Hahn seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 3:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk