



## Natural Resources Committee Beaufort County, SC

This meeting will be held both in person at the County Council Chambers, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, and also virtually through Zoom.

Monday, April 04, 2022  
3:00 PM

### MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Howard called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.

**PRESENT**

Committee Chair Alice Howard  
Council Member Joseph F. Passiment  
Council Member D. Paul Sommerville  
Council Member York Glover  
Council Member Lawrence McElynn  
Council Member Logan Cunningham

**ABSENT**

Committee Vice-Chair Gerald Dawson  
Council Member Brian Flewelling  
Council Member Stu Rodman  
Council Member Chris Hervochon  
Council Member Mark Lawson

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Committee Chair Howard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PUBLISHED, POSTED, AND DISTRIBUTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SOUTH CAROLINA FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

**FOIA**

Committee Chair Howard stated public notice of this meeting had been published, posted, and distributed in compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion:** It was moved by Council Member Passiment, seconded by Council Member McElynn to approve the agenda.

**The Vote** - The motion was approved without objection.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - MARCH 7, 2022

**Motion:** It was moved by Council Member Passiment, seconded by Council Member McElynn to approve the March 7, 2022, minutes.

**The Vote** - The motion was approved without objection.

6. **CITIZEN COMMENTS - (ANYONE who wishes to speak during the Citizen Comment portion of the meeting will limit their comments to no longer than three (3) minutes ( a total of 15 minutes ) and will address Council in a respectful manner appropriate to the decorum of the meeting, refraining from the use of profane, abusive, or obscene language)**

No Citizen Comments

7. REGIONAL STORMWATER UPDATE

Neil Desai- Director of Stormwater.

Brewer Memorial: Construction continues on schedule

Evergreen Regional Pond: 319 Grant Project. On schedule to be completed Mid May 2022

St. Helena Drainage Consultant: Working on Model

Arthur Horne Park: 319 Grant is currently in the approval process

Lady's Island Drainage: Study in progress

3/28/22: Addressing citizens' comments/concerns from that meeting.

Shellpoint Community Meeting:

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**AGENDA ITEMS**

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8. **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AND UTILITY WITH THE CITY OF BEAUFORT (\$4,491)**

9. **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AND UTILITY WITH THE TOWN OF PORT ROYAL (\$2,898)**

10. **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AND UTILITY WITH THE TOWN OF BLUFFTON (\$10,962)**

11. **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AND UTILITY WITH THE TOWN OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND (\$26,829)**

**Motion:** It was moved by Council Member Glover, seconded by Council Member Passiment to approve A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AND UTILITY WITH THE )CITY OF BEAUFORT FOR MS4 PUBLIC EDUCATION SERVICES (\$4,491.00), the TOWN OF PORT ROYAL (\$2,898.00), THE TOWN OF BLUFFTON

(\$10,962.00), and THE TOWN OF HILTON HEAD (\$26,829.00) and move forward to County Council for approval.

**The Vote** - The motion was approved without objection.

12. Recommendation for contract award for Whitehall Park Phase I Construction IFB#030122

**Discussion:** Stefanie Nagid, Passive Park Director stated the conceptual plan was presented in December 2020. The County hired Wood and Partners to assist in the development of the Whitehall Park Conceptual Plan, which was completed in December 2020. In 2021, Wood and Partners and County staff finalized the first phase of construction plans and specifications, which include the entrance, parking lot, multi-use trail, picnic pavilion, and restrooms. The project received final permitting approval from the City of Beaufort and the project was bid on March 1, 2022. Two bids were received, and Nix Construction is the apparent low bidder at \$1,537,000. The total project cost, including the preferred alternate of a pervious concrete drive aisle (\$135,000) and a 15% contingency (\$250,800), will be \$1,922,800. The project has \$426,828 Passive Park bond funding currently available in the Whitehall Park capital account (#45020011-54417), \$560,478 A/H Tax Grant Award for Whitehall Park construction was approved by County Council on March 28, 2022, and \$935,494 Passive Park bond funding currently available in the Okatie Marsh capital account, which would need to be transferred to the Whitehall Park capital account.

Stefanie Nagid stated the money was from the Bond referendum and funding was allocated based on what the projects may cost. Funding is flexible based on priority and inflation of cost. The conceptual plan can still be funded.

**Motion:** It was moved by Council Member Cunningham, seconded by Council Member Glover to approve the recommendation bid award approval to Nix Construction, reallocate Okatie Marsh funding and move forward to County Council for approval.

**The Vote** - The motion was approved without objection.

13. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE REAPPOINTMENTS OF KENNETH FRAIZER AND FORD BARTHOLOW TO THE RURAL AND CRITICAL LANDS PRESERVATION BOARD WITH AN EXPIRATION DATE OF 2026.

14. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENT OF DENNIS NIELSEN, EdD. TO THE BEAUFORT COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS FOR A PARTIAL TERM APPOINTMENT WITH AN EXPIRATION DATE OF 2024

**Motion:** It was moved by Council Member Passiment, seconded by Council Member Cunningham to approve the recommendation of THE REAPPOINTMENTS OF KENNETH FRAIZER AND FORD BARTHOLOW TO THE RURAL AND CRITICAL LANDS PRESERVATION BOARD WITH AN EXPIRATION DATE OF 2026 and THE APPOINTMENT OF DENNIS NIELSEN, EdD. TO THE BEAUFORT COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS FOR A PARTIAL TERM APPOINTMENT WITH AN EXPIRATION DATE OF 2024 and move forward to the County Council for approval.

**The Vote** - The motion was approved without objection.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

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## EXECUTIVE SESSION

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Alice Howard, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Sarah W. Brock, Clerk to Council  
Ratified: