

**TOWN COUNCIL**  
Municipal Center Council Chambers  
May 7, 2024, 1:00 pm

**AGENDA**

- I. **Call to Order:** *Mayor Belt called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.*
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Roll Call:**

**Present at the Meeting:** Brad Belt, *Mayor*  
Michael Heidingsfelder, *Council Member*  
Brad Belt, *Council Member*  
Russell Berner, *Council Member*  
Luke Farell, *Council Member*  
Madeleine Kaye, *Council Member*

**Also Present:** Stephanie Tillerson, *Town Administrator*  
Mac McQuillian, *Town Attorney*  
Ross Appel, *Attorney*  
John Taylor, Jr., *Planning Director*  
Brian Gottshalk, *Public Works Manager*

**IV. Approval of Minutes:**

Before approving the minutes, there was a discussion of the burden on the Town Clerk of maintaining detailed minutes for various meetings and explored using technology, specifically a software named Pirate, to alleviate this by providing summaries and detailed transcripts, which has reduced the workload. Also mentioned was the availability of meetings on YouTube for public viewing.

Council Member Heidingsfelder indicated that his corrections for the minutes had been submitted to the Town Clerk.

- A. Minutes of the Town Council Meeting of February 6, 2024
- B. Minutes of the Town Council Meeting of March 5, 2024
- C. Minutes of the Special Call Town Council Meeting of March 27, 2024
- D. Minutes of the Town Council Meeting of April 2, 2024
- E. Minutes of the Special Call Town Council Meeting of April 12, 2024

***Council Member Berner made a motion to approve the minutes of the Town Council meetings of February 6, 2024, March 5, 2024, March 27, 2024, and April 12, 2024. Mayor Pro Tem Heidingsfelder seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.***

**V. Citizens' Comments (Agenda Items Only):**

**Alex Fernandez - 418 Snowey Egret**

Mr. Fernandez commended the Council for the proposed changes to the ordinances, which now require larger site plans to go through the Planning Commission. He supported the changes and felt they enhanced transparency and disclosure and provided the community with the opportunity to have input into the process.

Mr. Fernandez also expressed difficulty navigating the Town's website and appreciated the agenda item for adding a new webpage, which would make it easier for community members to access development plans.

#### **Todd Boney – 3532 ShipWatch**

Mr. Boney requested that staff provide an update on the status of the various projects, including The Cape and Beachwalker.

### **VI. Updates:**

#### **A. Mayor**

Mayor Belt expressed his honor in his role as the new Mayor of Kiawah Island and expressed looking forward to working with the Council Members who have put a remarkable amount of time and effort into issues. He indicated a shifting change in the community with the level of engagement seen and that elected officials are now more responsible than ever for shaping the future of the island.

Mayor Belt outlined changes in committee and commission assignments;

1. The Ways and Means Committee will change to three Council Members and continue to be chaired by Council Member Heidingsfelder.
2. The charters will be amended to require Council Members to chair committees in critical areas such as environmental issues and public safety, thereby involving them more directly.
3. Council Member Kaye to chair the Environmental Committee
4. Council Member Berner to chair the Public Safety Committee
5. Council Member Farrell to chair the State ATAX Committee
6. Council Member Heidingsfelder will continue chairing the Audit Committee and leading the Go Green initiative efforts.
7. Council Member Farrell to be liaison for the Planning Commission's KiawahNext Comprehensive Plan project
8. Anticipated return of the Public Works Committee
9. ARB task force to be led by Mayor Pro Tem Heisingfelder and Council Member Kaye

Mayor Belt invited the community to participate in the upcoming strategic planning meeting, which aims to promote proactive planning for Kiawah Island's future. He indicated that the discussion would focus on three general themes: 1) health, safety, and security, 2) resiliency, environmental protection, and 3) managing growth.

Mayor Belt covered plans for hosting quarterly open Town Hall meetings, restarting community drop-ins, and informal sessions with Council Members to engage with the public. A customer satisfaction survey is being developed to better understand community needs and areas for improvement. Efforts to enhance communication with the community, including more visual content and a new video art director, were highlighted. Updates from staff on ongoing projects, such as work at the main gate, Beachwalker Drive, and a new waste management contractor, were mentioned. The Town Administration aims to be more responsive and visible, regularize schedules, and be more rigorous and analytical in approaching issues. There are also plans to establish standardized municipal contracts and RFPs. The discussion also touched on the Captian Sam Spit issue, with no new information other than that the Town, the Community Association, and the Conservancy are working together collaboratively with the hope that it will continue.

#### **B. Council Members**

**Council Member Kaye** provided updates on various initiatives, including:

1. Marsh Management's participation during Earth Week,
2. a loose trash ordinance should be ready for first reading at the next Council meeting
3. amendment of the dog leash ordinance currently on hold
4. highlights of other Marsh Management activities

Council Member Kaye shared highlights from Mr. Warren's *Our World* presentation:

- Details on the activity center at Night Heron Park
- Two Junior PGA tournaments scheduled for 2029
- PGA tournament scheduled for 2031
- No new announcements on the new development at the West Beach
- Mention of the new development agreement to the Town will be considering
- Mention that the Andell West development has been stalled for the time being
- Plans for an additional golf course, executive course, and clubhouse at Oak Point
- Replacement and upgrade of the tennis clubhouse, along with improvements to the tennis and paddle ball courts.

Council Member Heidingsfelder addressed concerns about rumors regarding the West Beach property development, indicating that in a conversation with Riverstone Properties, he was reassured that it was a big project, but everything was on track. Mayor Belt provided additional information, and it was his understanding that there was still a plan to go forward. Council Member Heidingsfelder recommended the community to be patient, emphasizing the need for reliable information.

Council Member Heidingsfelder also addressed a recent announcement regarding Captain Sam's status, which was published by the Town last Friday. He and the Mayor intended to make last-minute changes, but Ms. Ponrenke had already sent out the announcement. Despite the rushed final paragraph, he reassured the community that the announcement was the result of extensive efforts over weeks or months of activities involving both the Council and himself, the Mayor, KICA, and the Conservancy. Council Member Heidingsfelder expressed satisfaction with the current situation, acknowledging minor unresolved issues but remaining optimistic about moving forward.

**Council Member Heidingsfelder** provided additional updates on the following:

- A FOIA request received from Ms. Erin Slater, which was under review by the Town Attorney
- Testing of the water quality (PFAs) at Town Hall to be discussed at the Retreat
- Communication issued by the Kiawah Island Club to their membership portraying the Town as being responsible for the Cape Club not being open.

**Council Member Berner** provided updates on the following:

- Highlights from the John's Island task force meeting,
  - A survey on the half-cent sales tax to be used for funding road construction projects and the interesting fact that more than half of the projects on the survey were located on John's Island.
  - An upcoming DOT presentation on May 14<sup>th</sup> of the recommended solution for the Bohicket Road project.
  - Another townhouse community was being introduced for the Maybank and River Road intersection, bringing up concerns about local growth and congestion.
  - The Main Road/Highway 17 flyover is scheduled to break ground later in the year and is expected to take over three years to complete
- Personal priorities:
  - The retention of a consultant to conduct a police feasibility study to look at shortfalls with the current police coverage and provide recommendations
  - Increased enforcement of Town ordinances
  - Dune protection
- An upcoming podcast with the Conservancy on their work on land preservation.

**Council Member Farrell**

Two upcoming Planning Commission workshops on the Comprehensive Plan or KiawahNext project are scheduled for the next week. He expressed the importance of the strategic plan and guiding document for the Town's next ten years and encouraged public participation and input. He also shared his involvement with the Shorebird Steward Committee, which focuses on the preservation of Red Knots.

C. Administrator

Ms. Tillerson provided Town updates on the following:

- The Wildlife Department has initiated weekly checks of 18 or 19 ponds for nuisance alligators, removing two identified as nuisances.
- Turtle season began on May 1st, and the first nest was recently reported.
- The finance department concluded the business license renewal season on April 30th, renewing over 3,000 licenses and collecting approximately \$2.9 million. However, approximately 1,000 businesses have not renewed their licenses, and efforts are underway to address this issue.
- Construction work at the intersection is underway. If weather conditions do not create a delay, it should be completed by the weekend.
- The electric work to light the sign coming onto the island is to be completed within the next two weeks.
- The new solid waste contractor, Trident Waste, began May 1<sup>st</sup>, with no significant issues being reported.
- The landscape contractor will be working on the planning plan along Beachwalker Drive.
- The Disaster Awareness event will take place on May 31<sup>st</sup>.

Ms. Tillerson provided updates related to several development projects, including Upper Beach Walker (Weston), Lower Beach Walker (Ocean Pines), and the Cape Point Road public emergency road access. Mr. Taylor is still working on his review of the site plans, reviewing the submitted comments, and issuing new, clean comment letters to the applicants of these projects to ensure clarity and address any outstanding issues or new concerns. These projects have not been approved yet, and the planning director is working to clarify requirements and expectations.

Additionally, Ms. Tillerson provided an update on The Cape, stating that owners have begun moving into the building having received their Certificates of Occupancy (CO). The cottages have not received COs due to the parking-related issues still outstanding. The amenities are working to obtain temporary certificates of occupancy (TCOs) with strict conditions that only residents and their guests can use them. The enforcement of these conditions will involve code enforcement officers and potential revocation of the TCO if violations occur.

## VII. Old Business:

**A. To Consider Approval of Ordinance 2024-06 – An Ordinance to Amend Article 2, General Government and Administration, Chapter 5, Office And Departments, Section 2-504, Town Attorney – *Second and Final Reading***

***Council Member Heidingsfelder made a motion to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 2024-06 to amend Article 2, General Government and Administration, Chapter 5, Office and Departments, Section 2-504, Town Attorney. Council Member Berner seconded the motion.***

The discussion clarified that the ordinance would take effect immediately upon approval and that other members of his law firm may support the town attorney. A minor modification was proposed: subparagraph (b) “recommendation subject to the approval and hiring by Council,” delete “and hiring.” The council does not hire; it retains.

***Mayor Belt made a motion to amend the language of Ordinance 2024-06 by deleting “and hiring” from subparagraph (b). Council Member Berner seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.***

***The motion to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 2024-06 as amended was unanimously approved.***

**B. To Consider Approval of Ordinance 2024-07 - An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 12 – Land Use Planning and Zoning Ordinance Article II. Zoning, Division 1. Generally, Sec. 12-20. – Authority and Purpose, Sec. 12-23. Planning Commission, and Sec. 12-25 – Planning Director to Modify Provisions of Zoning Permit Applications - *Second and Final Reading***

**Council Member Berner made a motion to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 2024-07 to amend Chapter 12 – Land Use Planning and Zoning Ordinance Article II. Zoning, Division 1. Generally, Sec. 12-20. – Authority and Purpose, Sec. 12-23. Planning Commission, and Sec. 12-25 – Planning Director to Modify Provisions of Zoning Permit Applications. Council Member Kaye seconded the motion.**

Mayor Belt noted that the additional language requested to replace number three was not included in the presented draft. Mr. Taylor clarified the proposed language as; “Protecting against increases in noise levels that exceed thresholds established by any governing Town ordinances or which are otherwise detrimental to the general welfare of the community.”

A very extensive and in-depth discussion involved the Planning Commission's role in site plan reviews and whether it could make decisions that might override the Planning Director's determinations. Legal counsel provided insights into the appropriate roles of the Planning Commission and Planning Director, suggesting that the Planning Commission could review and provide feedback but not make final decisions on site plans.

Following the discussion, Council Member Heidingsfelder conceded that the proposed ordinance, as presented, would fulfill the objective of providing more transparency, along with more public oversight and involvement, and also meet the objective of not just Planning Staff but a second body also looking at a site plan.

**Council Member Heidingsfelder made a motion to amend the language of Ordinance 2024-07 12-20(b) by adding the proposed relating to the noise ordinance and 12-23(d)(4) to read “review and comment on site plans pursuant to...” and deleting (a) and (b). Council Member Farrell seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.**

**The motion to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 2024-07, as amended, was unanimously approved.**

**C. To Consider Approval of Ordinance 2024-08 - An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 12 – Land Use Planning and Zoning Ordinance Article II. Zoning, Division 3. Use Regulations, Sec. 12-106. – Temporary Uses to further refine temporary uses - Second and Final Reading**

Mayor Belt explained that the ordinance aims to ensure that temporary uses of land do not permanently alter the property's character.

**Council Member Berner made a motion to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 2024-08 to amend Chapter 12 – Land Use Planning and Zoning Ordinance Article II. Zoning, Division 3. Use Regulations, Sec. 12-106. – Temporary Uses to further refine temporary uses. Council Member Heidingsfelder seconded the motion.**

The discussion raised concerns about the definition of "minor removal of vegetation" and whether it should include trees. Members were against the removal of trees and expressed the need for clearer definitions and guidelines to prevent unintended permanent changes to land used for temporary purposes.

**Council Member Kaye made a motion to table the ordinance for further revision. Council Member Berner seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.**

## **VIII. New Business:**

### **A. Appointment of the Mayor Pro Tempore**

Mayor Belt, emphasizing the rotation of responsibilities among Council Members, expressed his intention to appoint a new Mayor Pro Tem.

**Mayor Belt made a motion to appoint Council Member Berner as Mayor Pro Tem. Council Member Heidingsfelder seconded the motion.**

Legal clarification was sought to ensure the appointment process adhered to municipal codes.

**Following the clarification, the motion was unanimously approved.**

**B. To Consider Approval of Ordinance 2024-09 - An Ordinance to Amend Sec. 12-162. – Site Plan Review to Modify Review Procedures.- Public Hearing and First Reading**

**Council Member Heidingsfelder made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2024-09 to amend Sec. 12-162. – Site Plan Review to Modify Review Procedures. Council Member Berner seconded the motion.**

**Council Member Kaye made a motion to open the public hearing for Ordinance 2024-09. Council Member Heidingsfelder seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.**

**John Todd Boney – 3532 ShipWatch**

Mr. Boney questioned whether, once approved, the new Planning Commission approval process would apply only to new projects or whether current projects would be subject to this new requirement. It was clarified that it would apply to site plans that have not yet been approved and that the new requirement, as discussed, would be amended to require the Planning Commission to review site plans prior to approval by the Planning Director.

During the public hearing, concerns were raised about the ordinance's applicability to projects submitted under different regulations and the potential legal implications, referencing South Carolina law and the need for case-by-case analysis. The council debated the ordinance's language, particularly regarding the total square footage and dwelling units required for a project to undergo planning commission review.

**Council Member Heidingsfelder made a motion to close the public hearing for Ordinance 2024-09. Council Member Kaye seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.**

**Council Member Heidingsfelder made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2024-09 to amend Sec. 12-162. – Site Plan Review to Modify Review Procedures. Council Member Kaye seconded the motion.**

Amendments were proposed to clarify these points, aiming to ensure the ordinance accurately reflected the Council's intentions without ambiguity. The recommendation was made to the language of 12-162(b) to clarify development projects containing commercial use or non-single family residential uses totaling more than 20,000 square feet or containing seven or more residential dwelling units must be submitted to the Planning Commission for review and comment prior to approval by the Planning Director.

**Council Member Kaye made a motion to amend the language of Ordinance 2024-09 12-162(3)(b) to read “development projects containing commercial use or non-single family residential uses totaling more than 20,000 square feet or containing seven or more residential dwelling units must be submitted to the Planning Commission for review and comment prior to the approval by the Planning Director” and deleting (i) and (ii). Council Member Heidingsfelder seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.**

**The motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2024-09, as amended, was unanimously approved.**

**C. To Consider Approval of the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 SATAX - State Accommodations Tax Funding Amounts**

**Council Member Heidingsfelder made a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 SATAX - State Accommodations Tax Funding Amounts. Council Member Berner seconded the motion.**

Council Member Heidingsfelder indicated that the funding recommendations were discussed in depth at the Ways and Means Committee meeting and recommended approval to the Town Council. Mayor Belt stated that reviewing the video of the Ways and Means Committee meeting can provide additional clarification on the SATAX Committee's recommendations.

***The motion to approve the SATAX funding recommendations was unanimously approved.***

**D. To Consider Approval of Ordinance 2024-10 - An Ordinance To Adopt The Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget For The Town Of Kiawah Island (7/1/24 Through 6/30/25) - First Reading**

***Council Member Kaye made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2024-10 to adopt the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 budget for the Town Of Kiawah Island (7/1/24 through 6/30/25). Council Member Berner seconded the motion.***

Mayor Belt indicated that reviewing the video of the Ways and Means Committee meetings can provide additional clarification on the extensive discussion of a wide range of budget-related issues. Committee Members had a number of questions and comments which would likely revise the budget for the second reading.

***Following the discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.***

**E. To Consider Approval of the Consultant to Conduct the Law Enforcement Coverage Feasibility Study**

***Council Member Berner made a motion to approve the consultant to conduct the Law Enforcement coverage feasibility study. Council Member Kaye seconded the motion.***

The feasibility study for law enforcement coverage was clarified to be a preliminary step to assess needs, not to establish a police force. A lot of data collection and analysis will have to underpin any consideration of whether to establish a police force, and this would be a phase two project that would come back to the Council at a later time.

***Following the discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.***

**F. To Consider Approval of the Kiawah Island Parkway Annual Traffic Counts**

***Council Member Berner made a motion to approve the Kiawah Island Parkway Annual Traffic Counts. Council Member Kaye seconded the motion.***

Mayor Belt stated that the annual traffic counts were discussed at length at the Ways and Means Committee, which made a recommendation to reduce the number of locations for the traffic count from nine locations to two locations, Kiawah Island Parkway, and Beachwalker Drive.

***Following the discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.***

**G. To Consider Approval of the Relocation of the Dumpster Pad at the Municipal Center**

***Council Member Berner made a motion to approve the relocation of the dumpster pad at the Municipal Center. Council Member Kaye seconded the motion.***

Mr. Gottshalk stated that the proposal for this project was initially introduced to the Ways and Means Committee last fall. It was recommended for approved with an environmentally friendly plan using recycled asphalt for the base of the dumpster pad at an estimated cost of \$13,401.25. However, the Town Council postponed approval of the project until after the mid-year budget review. During this review, the budget for the project was evaluated and subsequently included in the approved amended budget for the mid-year. The need for this dumpster relocation has become increasingly critical, as the space it currently occupies is designated for a new purpose: installing Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations.

The discussion included the location of the dumpster pad, the visibility of the equipment at the location, and the need to be mindful of the safety of individuals using the facility.

***Following the discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.***

**H. To Consider Approval of the Purchase of a UTV – Utility Task Vehicle**

Mayor Belt stated that approval of the purchase of a UTV-Utility Task Vehicle was discussed at the Ways and Means Committee meeting and recommended for approval. This is a task vehicle that the staff would utilize on trails and other areas, eliminating having to drive a truck down Kiawah Island Parkway and stopping in the middle of the road to pick up trash, debris, or other items.

***Council Member Berner made a motion to approve the purchase of a utility task vehicle. Council Member Kaye seconded the motion.***

The recommendation included two caveats: consulting with some local vendors for these types of vehicles to get feedback on the brand selected here and to ensure that maintenance of such a vehicle can take place here in the vicinity.

Mr. Gottshalk stated that, after reviewing a list of UTVs, he noted one that he was interested in investigating. He noted that the recommendation was for that brand-specific vehicle and if the brand could be removed. Council Members agreed to an increase in the purchase budget to \$25,000.00.

***Council Member Heidingsfelder made a motion to amend the Ways and Means Committee recommendation to raise the dollar amount and eliminate any reference to a specific UTV brand. Council Member Berner seconded the motion.***

Also discussed was purchasing a gas UTV at approximately half the price, which would allow more time to investigate questions around the service and reliability and expand to purchasing an electric vehicle at a future time.

***Following the discussion, the motion was approved, as amended, by a 4 to 1 vote, with Council Member Farrell voting “No.”***

**I. To Consider Approval of funding the Charitable Grant Application from Habitat for Humanity**

***Council Member Kaye made a motion to approve funding of the Charitable Grant application from Habitat for Humanity. Council Member Berner seconded the motion.***

The Council discussed the approval of the Charitable Grant application from Habitat for Humanity, which was recommended by the Ways and Means Committee. Despite the application initially being overlooked due to a spam filter issue, it was determined that Habitat for Humanity met all the council's criteria for funding in the areas of hunger, health, and housing. The grant, slightly exceeding the budget, was recommended for full approval as a one-off exception.

***Following the discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.***

**J. To Consider Approval of the Appointments to the Landscape and Tree Preservation Board**

***Council Member Heidingsfelder made a motion to approve the appointments to the Landscape and Tree Preservation Board. Council Member Berner seconded the motion.***

Mr. Taylor stated that three candidates were proposed: two residents of Kiawah Island, Ms. Elisabeth St. John and Mr. Robert Ryan, who is a design professional, and Ms. Denise Graybill-Donohoe, another design professional who does not reside on the island. With only three applicants, staff felt the need to bring all three for appointment but to continue to advertise the two remaining vacancies.

The council discussed strategies to enhance recruitment for the remaining vacancies and the possibility of modifying membership requirements to attract more applicants. It also considered collaborating with the Kiawah Island Community Association (KICA) to increase awareness of the vacancies.

***Following the discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.***

K. To Consider Approval of the Amendment to the Environmental Committee Charter

L. To Consider Approval of the Amendment to the Public Safety Committee Charter

Mayor Belt indicated that the amendment to the charters would require that Council Members chair both committees.

***Council Member Kaye made a motion to amend the charters of the Environmental and Public Safety Committees. Council Member Berner seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.***

**IX. Executive Session:**

A. Executive Session to Receive Legal Advice Covered by the Attorney-Client Privilege (S.C. Code Ann. § 30-4-70(2)) Concerning Pending/Potential Claims Concerning the West End at Beachwalker, the Cape, and Captains Sam's Spit.

***Council Member Heidingsfelder made a motion to move into Executive Session to Receive Legal Advice Covered by the Attorney-Client Privilege (S.C. Code Ann. § 30-4-70(2)) Concerning Pending/Potential Claims Concerning the West End at Beachwalker, the Cape, and Captains Sam's Spit. Council Member Berner seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.***

***Council Member Heidingsfelder made a motion to return to Regular Session. Council Member Berner seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.***

Mayor Belt stated that during the Executive Session, no decisions were made, and no actions were taken regarding the matters referenced in the Executive Session.

**X. New Business:**

~~A. Town Council May Consider the Approval of an Action Concerning Pending/Potential Claims Concerning the West End at Beachwalker, the Cape, and Captains Sam's Spit~~

**XI. Citizens' Comments:**

**Todd Boney – 3532 ShipWatch**

Mr. Boney stated that at a prior council meeting, it was questioned whether the town had the right to require certain stormwater management mitigation and asked for an update on the town's analysis of its ability to impose requirements.

Mr. McQuillin indicated that the report by Wesson and Samson was based on Charleston County Stormwater standards. He clarified that while the Town cannot directly apply standards from other jurisdictions, the zoning administrator has the discretion to request actions to alleviate drainage and flooding issues. Additionally, the possibility of revising ordinances to strengthen stormwater management regulations was mentioned as part of strategic planning for environmental resilience.

Mr. Boney also asked if the Town had considered whether there might be additional transfer obligations under the ARDA, noting the peculiar wording in the definition of "parcel" within the document, suggesting a review of potential additional property transfer obligations by the Partners under the ARDA.

A specific case involving property referred to as "Bear Island," required to be transferred by trusts to KCIA, was highlighted. The discussion noted its independence from the town's direct involvement but

relevance to contractual obligations. It concluded with an emphasis on reviewing properties along Beachwalker for potential transfer requirements.

#### **Larry Wolohan – 406 Snowy Egret Lane**

Mr. Wolohan raised concerns about KICA's operation of the Architectural Review Board (ARB), parking issues on the island, trash collection on the beach, and the process for approving site plans for developments, specifically at Upper and Lower Beach Walker.

It was clarified that KICA's ARB could not operate outside the island, and discussions about transferring functions to KICA were ongoing.

Concerning parking, Mr. Wolohan highlighted the lack of general parking provided by the Town and the potential impact of developments on parking availability. Council Members explained the ordinance requirements for parking in developments and the possibility of revising these to address current needs, but that KICA may better address his concern.

In response to trash collection on the beach, trash boxes have been placed at all the previous locations, with the exception of three or four boxes. Those holding only two cans will be expanded to three. The major problem was the previous contractor not properly emptying the cans, and there had been discussion on having a second daily pickup during the peak months.

Regarding the approval process for site plans, there was a detailed discussion and explanation of how revised site plans are reviewed, site plan approval, site plan approval with conditions, and that revised site plans will be made public for community input before final approval, ensuring transparency.

Additionally, there was a brief mention of alligator removal and a request for more humane methods.

#### **Trevor Cyrlik – Island Beach Services**

Mr. Cyrlik detailed some of the observations regarding trash collection services at the Beach. He highlighted the inefficiency of a previous trash company that used a heavy compactor truck, which frequently got stuck in the soft beach sand, leading to unproductive periods. In contrast, the current contractor uses a more effective approach with a pickup truck and trailer, ensuring closer access to trash cans and potentially improving cleanliness by picking up debris around the cans. Also noted was a need for additional trash collection services, which are necessary on the three busiest days of the season: Saturday of Memorial Day weekend, Fourth of July, and Saturday of Labor Day weekend.

#### **XII. Council Member Comments:**

None

#### **XIII. Adjournment:**

***Council Member Heidingsfelder made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:31 pm. Council Member Kaye seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.***

Submitted by,

  
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Petra S. Reynolds, Town Clerk

6-19-2024  
Date