# DI Council Minutes

DATE	4/15/2025
TIME	5:30 PM EST
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY	Mike Hubbard

In attendance : Mike Hubbard, Don Hunter, Jennifer Risey, John Schartner, Anthony Cappuccio

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from March were read by the Secretary and approved 5-0

#### PUBLIC FORUM AND COMMENTS

- There is a contract with the Ferry operator to provide services for hurricane evacuations
- Residents continue to face inconsistencies with cargo fees, many charges do not seem to be consistent with what is posted on the Ferry operators web site.
- Residents do not know what to expect and some residents choose not to speak out in fear of retaliation
- There are continuing reports that the ferry is leaving before scheduled departure times.

# CHAIRMANS'S REMARKS

- Beaufort county has adopted codes to allow a veterinary clinic on Daufuskie. There were no codes or ordinances that would prohibit or permit this in the past.
- DI council is negotiating with Beaufort county to provide a subsidy for DI residents that would include cargo fees for the public ferry. DI council will present to BCC for budgeting.
- Landing crafts and Barges are being pushed to the limits; affects deliveries to DI especially if one of the private vendors have a landing craft that is down for any reason. We need more capacity

## **REPORTS**

- Transportation committee is continuing to research and working with partners that would be able to provide barge options for Daufuskie Island. Barge landings will need to be secured on both on Daufuskie Island as well as a landing on the Savannah side.
- Infrastructure Roads continue to be an issue. BC is being contacted by the DI council to work on solutions for paving HP road as well as dust control on School Road. Calls have been placed to the county but they have not.

- responded. The 200' section in front of the DIFD is a priority, as that section as well as other sections are in disrepair. BC suggests that we make repairs with cold patch.
- DI does need a county worker here on this island that has the resources to do more, be able to procure and manage more projects.
- BP Cemetery Bloody point presented documents with access to the BP cemetery, beach, easement rights as well as what is to be provided for the residents on DI that are in perpetuity.

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#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Ferry resident issues with fees, allowances, and leaving residents at dock
- DITMA to work on a solution to the Ferry System. All residents and businesses are encouraged to review the
  presentation. The DI council is in support of a robust ferry, barge and marine transportation system and
  encouraged residents and business to support the program
- Discussions for barge and marine transportation on Daufuskie as well as the Hutchinson island side

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#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Council minutes will be posted on Webiste. Officialdaufuskie.com
- Secretary will print and post minutes at the mail boxes. Copies will be available for posting elsewhere on the island
- We will discontinue to post DI minutes on Next Door.

## **PUBLIC FORUM #2**

- Saturday April 26<sup>th</sup> Car, Golf Cart and Car wash 12:00pm-3:00pm
- Saturday April 26<sup>th</sup> Beach Sweep 11:00am-2:00pm meet at:
   BP Pavillion, Melrose Beach, HP Beach Deck

## **NEXT MEETING**

April 13<sup>th</sup> 2025 5:30pm Motion to Adjourn