# DI Council Meeting October 18, 2022 5:30 PM DIFD, 400 Haig Point Road

**Roll Call** – Kathy Aurichio, Leanne Coulter, Robert Levis, Beth McIntyre, Cathie Moore, Roger Pinckney, John Schartner

#### Call to order

### **Pledge**

# Remarks from the Chair Annoucements

John Schartner mom has died Happy Birthday Kathleen Aurichio

#### Flu shot day for Nov 19, 2022 11AM -1PM

Forms must be submitted ahead of time so that Burke's knows how many shots to bring over. The supply of Covid boosters is in short supply so there is no date scheduled for that. Please get your forms in. \$25 per person if you have no insurance coverage. She has had to postpone the CPR clinics

Call 911 if you need assistance. Please tell your neighbors to call 911 if there is an emergency. Calling 911, puts a series of critical steps in motion that are needed in the event of an emergency. Remember to tell the operator that you are on Daufuskie Island, SC

Oct. 26 Fall fest fundraiser at the Helmuth Center. There will be a Scarecrow and chili competition as well as a Cake walk

Trick or Treating will be held Sunday Oct 30. Meet up is outside of HP back gate. The schedule is as follows:

4:15 - 4:45PM HP at the Tabby Lawn

5:30 PM Melrose Circle where Whitestone will be hosting some games on the lawn.

#### 2022 Committees:

Roads, Access and Easements - Roger Pinckney (Chair), Beth McIntyre

Still having access easements through the gate at Bloody Point to the cemetery and the Mungin River.

**Tourism** - Kathy Aurichio (Chair), Cathie Moore, Beth McIntyre

DI Historical Foundation has received a grant for new tourist brochure.

Parks - John Schartner (Chair) -

**DI Plan and Codes Liaison** – Cathie Moore (Co-Chair), Leanne Coulter(Co-Chair) Codes Committee has been suspended until January 2023.

The County Administrator, Eric Greenway, has asked to postpone the vote on the STR until the Council has met with the County Planning Staff.

The reason for postponing the vote is because BC does not want any proposal put forth by DIC that the County that will not have the ability to enforce. The parameters for the recommendation are as follows:

- 1. Something that the planning staff can enforce.
- 2. Clear and concise language

Motion to delay the STR Vote. Seconded and to delay the STR vote has passed.

#### Sallie Ann Robinson - Non Profit

Dr Kelly Spencer from Altanta, GA has applied for and received a grant to restore the Gullah cemeteries and the Gullah homes on Daufuskie. Maryfield Cemetery will be the first location to be cleaned up and graves will be catalogued at the site beginning Oct 29, 30, 2022.

#### Veteran's Day

There is an opportunity to participate in putting the flags on the graves of the of the 21 service members buried here on the island. We have graves dating back to the Spanish/American War 1898.

## **Special Guests:**

Eric Greenway Mark Lawson

#### **Updates**

We are currently 1 vote short of getting a "newer" motor grader. Once that has passed, then the older equipment will be retired.

Timeline to work on HP Road Paving repair and resurfacing is still a few weeks out.

Community Building plans for Daufuskie are still in the works. BC believes that the building should be located near the ferry landing.

Bathrooms - Beach bathrooms are in the design phase.

The ferry landing will have bathrooms.

D'Fuskie's bathrooms will be upgraded.

BC was recently successful in condemning 2 pieces of property on HHI for the ferry landing.

Negotiations fell apart when Whitestone's demands regarding the Melrose Dock became excessive. BC will continue to work with Melrose to maintain the ferry service. Certainty and consistency are the key aspects to the ferry service. For residents, \$480,000 per year is subsidized by the county for the service.

If the current plans for the ferry do not work out, BC has a fallback position on the Webb Tract.

Workforce housing – currently BC is looking at land near the Frances Jones Park for workforce housing.

# Public Discussion/Q&A - 3 minutes per person.

## Ferry/Melrose Landing-

Many residents have used Melrose Landing for years to tie up boats. If the county is successful in obtaining the landing, will this continue? Yes

Will the county allow vendors to operate at the Melrose Landing? - Yes

Why is the county moving forward with condemnation for the ferry service? – In order to obtain federal and state money, the county must own both sides of the ferry landing.

Why not acquire property at Webb Tract? Why not the County Dock for the ferry site? - Neither of these sites currently meets the requirements for the ferry service.

Why has the county condemned the property adjacent to Haig Point embarkation on HHI? This will increase parking capacity to several hundred. Currently the plan is for the public to use the HP dock. .

Could you please add teachers back to the list to as accepted passengers for HP?

# **Adjourned**