

January 17, 2023  
5:30 PM  
DIFD, 400 Haig Point Road

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

**Call to order**

**Pledge**

**Remarks from the Chair -**

**Announcements**

**Brian Dozier** has objected to the current format for the election candidate forum. He does not feel that the current committee should ask the questions and there should be a more informal setting for questions and answers. Questions should not be prescreened by the committee.

**Motion:** There has been a motion to host an informal candidate forum not run by the Council or the Elections Committee.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed

**Candidate Informal Session:**

Ministry building,

January 29, 2023, 4:00 PM

**DIFD Chief:**

Please call 911. Do not come to the firehouse and do not call the firehouse. Please call 911.

**CPR Classes:**

Dr. Baum will be resuming CPR class. You must register to attend.

## **Deer Cull**

Roger is the Ecological Liaison for the Council. HP has applied to the DNR for a cull to shoot deer with spotlights at night within the gates. This type of cull is generally done during March. This will help to stabilize and maintain a healthy deer population on island. The hunt is handled by HP in an organized fashion by section. A count is determined first and this is submitted to the DNR for approval with a number to be culled. One of the criteria for this project is that the meat be salvaged and distributed to those on island who would like to have some of the venison. The problem has been that the length of time that it takes for the meat to get to Savannah for processing has rendered the meat unsalvageable. It will be up to the island to make sure that the meat is returned to the island for use.

We have the ability to make sure that the meat stays fresh and can be salvaged. Every year, 55- 60 deer are killed on the Webb Tract by the Hunt Club, half of which is butchered right away and the other half is taken to Bluffton on ice in coolers. This is how that hunt is handled and the same process could be used for the HP cull.

## **Electoral Candidate Forum**

Kathy Auricio  
John Schartner  
Erica Veit  
Taylor Moran

## **2022 Committees:**

### **Roads, Access and Easements**

The road grader has been broken down for 2 weeks without any repairs.  
The Court date for Prospect Rd. has yet to be determined.  
Melrose dock will have a mandatory mediation session before it goes to court.

### **Tourism**

Bathrooms:  
Beach bathroom drawings are ready for review.

### **County Liaison:**

Dealing with the county, can be very difficult especially for those of us on DI. Kathy is proposing that we have a liaison at the county level to deal specifically with Daufuskie Islanders. They would then be the point person for any and all issues that the island needs. It should be someone familiar with how this island works

Business guide:

Kathy is also trying to identify ATAX money or grant money to print up a business guide.

**Public Discussion - 3 minutes per person.**

**Adjourned**