



James Island Pride Agenda
April 16, 2026
5:30-6:30 pm

Attendees:

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 5:30 pm

- I. Minutes of previous meeting approval
- II. Committee reports
 - A. Helping Hands : upcoming scheduled HH dates for 2026: May 16, June 27, July 25, Aug 29, Sept 26, Oct 10, Nov 14
 - B. Adopt-A-Highway : Upcoming scheduled AAH dates for 2026: May 9, Sept 12 OR Oct 17.

Subcommittee	Starting 7/1/25	Expenditures	Remaining
Helping Hands	\$2000		
Litter pickup	\$6000	\$953.85	\$5046.15
Total	\$8000		

- III. Old business
 - A. Consistency of JI Pride naming on FB and town website, currently it's officially James Island Pride : Making our Island Beautiful but it appears differently in different places
 - B. Collaboration with Keep Charleston Beautiful, Surfriders, AAH, for Greatest Charleston Cleanup - see summary of planning at the end of the agenda.
 - C. Ongoing collaboration with Surfriders: cross post activities, helping hands & ocean plantings and rain gardens
- IV. New Business - Next meeting scheduled for May 21, 2026
- V. The meeting is scheduled to adjourn at 6:30 pm.

1. Clean-up details:
 - Date: May 9th
 - Time 9 am to 11 am

2. Please make sure when you share the information (via email & social media) that you are using this sign-up link Darby created. This link will register volunteers, have them sign a waiver, plus it will allow for Darby to put volunteers into different cleanup locations, so that each site has an even amount of volunteers.
 - Sign up Link: <https://dash.pointapp.org/events/59102>
 - Cleaning Locations:
 - ✓ Riverland Drive - Site Captain: DeAnn & Kenny
 - ✓ Riverland Drive 2nd location - Site Captain: Darby or Jamie
 - ✓ Expressway connector -Site Captain: Marlo
 - ✓ James Island Town Hall - Site Captain: Amy & Henrietta (Folks will be dispersed to nearby roadways, etc. This is the youth-friendly location.)
 - ✓ If we have enough volunteers we can do George L. Griffith Blvd AKA the road next to Walmart. Will need a site captain
 - ✓ For the meeting locations on Riverland Rd and The Expressway, volunteers will meet directly at the cleanup location, not the Town Hall. For the James Island Town Hall Cleanup, volunteers will meet at the Town Hall parking lot. If we have enough volunteers, we will do 2 locations. DeAnn is working on parking / meeting locations for Riverland. The 2 options are First Baptist middle school, and Lowcountry Senior Center.

3. Officers
 - DeAnn has secured 5 officers for Riverland Drive / Town Hall area
 - 2 officers secured for James Island Connector. Marlo has the parking location secured for the Express way and will meet with the officers at 8:15 am in the morning to go over details.

4. Cleanup information
 - Darby (Keep Charleston Beautiful / KCB) will provide the gloves & safety vests (she usually puts everything in a bin to make it easy)
 - Darby / KCB will provide waivers for volunteers who do not sign up online
 - Marlo / Adopt A Highway (AAH) will provide bags.
 - Marlo / AAH will arrange for SCDOT will remove bags post cleanup. Please note because this is a scattered cleanup with various locations, volunteers must use AAH bags, and the bags will need to be placed in one or 2 piles in a highly visible area for pickup. Please do not allow bags to be dropped in single spots. Large pieces of trash must be with / next to an orange AAH bag for SCDOT to pick up (otherwise they will not notice the debris).
 - Raffle tickets will be given out to volunteers who attend the cleanup only. Volunteers must bring the raffle tickets to the after party to win prizes and must be present to win. Marlo & or Darby will provide raffle tickets.
 - Marlo / AAH and Julia / Surfrider will provide free reusable bags to the officers who help (will try to fill bags with some fun swag like local hot sauce, BBQ sauce etc.)

After Party (Approved by Town of JI)

- Recap: The idea for the after party resulted from a discussion with AAH, Surfrider and JI Pride on ways to get residents and neighbors more involved and aware of what James Island Pride does (clean-ups and helping hands).
- Vendors: **Please send me the list of vendors you plan to invite.** I will share mine as well. Darby is working on getting someone from Pet Helpers to either have a dog onsite or a table so that Pet Helpers can raise awareness or better yet donations and increase adoptions. Total number of vendors: I think we could shoot for having 8 to ten "vendors" / information tables. I encourage James Island Pride to have a table set up with your information and a sign-up sheet to encourage residents to get involved. I have spoken with Councilwomen Crumblin and she has shared information for us to pass along to vendors who need insurance. She suggested Kelly Hall with KMH Insurance 843-729-6187. If you know local artist, jewelry makers, soap / candle makes, home decor or gardening people - invite them!
- Julia / Surfrider will be on site at Town Hall to help vendors set up. ***Will James Island Pride or the Town be able to have someone there to help as well?***
- Pizza (provided by JI Pride) Soda provided by KCB, Camino Caffeino will provide free coffee to everyone (until he runs out) compliments of Surfrider. Clean-up Volunteers will receive a ticket (or we can put a stamp on their hand to eat the free pizza and soda) any thoughts on this? If we do raffle tickets for pizza we will need to have different colors so that one set of raffle tickets is for prizes and one for pizza (I have a huge role of white raffle tickets and blue raffle tickets I can provide) Darby you have raffle tickets as well correct?
- Raffle tickets / prizes. Volunteers who attend the clean-up will receive raffle tickets to enter the prize giveaway. They must bring their raffle ticket to the Town Hall and be present for the drawing to win.
- Prizes: I have secured the following prizes and I am working on more. 1. Gift card from Free Fly apparel worth \$100, Two \$25 gift cards to Huriyali, One Rain Barrel donated by Clemson Extension, Two tickets to the South Carolina Aquarium 3. Garden / Fanny pack from Elizabeth Stewart with \$56, Handmade bird nest, glass vase & gardening bag with bird seed and cute things (donated by Marlo), One bottle of wine donated by Marlo. Surfrider has swag they will donate (not sure what this is yet).
- Music: Scott will provide a microphone and speaker so we can greet everyone and announce the raffle.
- Town Hall: Are we allowed to have vendors set up on the grass or in the parking lot. Can we keep the picnic table and chairs outside that are currently there? If not do we need to move them?
- Would anyone like to meet the week of (or week before) to look at how things will be set up onsite? DeAnn or Amy I'm guessing you are familiar wit how the town prefers people to put their tables or tents out (not sure if there will be tents I'm just guessing).
- Compost: Darby will set up compost and recycling for the pizza. Darby will take the pizza compost after the event is over. DeAnn / Amy does the town have a recycling bin we can use for the cans or do we need to bring one? Can we leave the cans onsite to be recycled. I think the town hall has 2 trash cans onsite. This should be enough.
- Is there anything we need to do about Town Hall parking?

✓ Please send your list of donations and the list of vendors you are inviting so we do not duplicate efforts.