

James Island Pride Minutes March 19, 2025 6:00-6:30 pm

Attendees: Denise Weinstein, Parker Richardson, Tony Robinson, Virginia Smith (chair), Stanley Kozikowski, DeAnn Grayson, Kenny Grayson, Cynthia Mignano Amy Ball The meeting started at 6:00 pm.

- I. Minutes of previous meeting were approved
- II. Committee reports
 - A. Helping Hands
 - 1. Helping Hands dates for 2025: Mar. 22, April 26, May 24, June 21, July 19, August 23, Sept. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 15
 - 2. HH received a donation of a riding lawn mower and push mower; these are currently being refreshed.
 - B. Adopt-A-Highway
 - 1. Upcoming AAH dates: **2025:** Jan 11, Feb 8, March 8, May 17, and Sept. 13 or Oct 11.
 - 2. The Keep Charleston Beautiful Event was held Monday, March 25 @ Town Hall with over a dozen attendees.

III. Budget update (this is not current)

Subcommittee	Starting 7/1/24	Recent expenditures	total
Helping Hands	\$500	Miscellaneous	
Litter pickup	\$3500	Pizza, Magnets	
Total	\$4250		\$4434

IV. Old business

- A. Pens and shirts have been ordered! It will be about \$1,500. Hats (150) will be purchased for ~ \$750, these are dark green with logo in the front and a mesh back.
- B. Welcome to Parker Richardson, Town of JI employee rep at @ JI Pride. This will help if we need quick input on logistical questions. Thanks to Cynthia for organizing this.

V. New Business

- A. Next meeting scheduled for April 16, 2025
- B. The repair care program is having problems getting started and could possibly be shifted to JI Pride if we want to take this on.
- C. Cynthia is coordinating a drive to provide Easter dinner to up to 45 families on JI; local community leaders have helped with ideas. Donations may be dropped off at Mignano Family Chiropractic Center. 914 D Folly Road. The CC Sheriff's department will be helping with distribution. See

https://www.facebook.com/CynthiaMignanoJITownCouncil for details.

- D. JI Pride will be invited to have a booth at the Town Market; we can sell swag (which is given for free at pickups) and generally get more visibility.
- E. Sweet grass plantings see Tony Robinson. This is a good idea but difficult to maintain. CRMS may have volunteers
- F. Virginia is recruiting at JICHS for JI Pride members.
- G. Problem areas may be reported to the Maintenance Work Request Orders https://apps.scdot.org/mwro/

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM