

Neighborhood Council Meeting Minutes
April 27, 2023

Mark Johnson began this month's meeting delivering the Island Sherriff Patrol's report on behalf of Deputy King who was out on duty. As always, citizens should be on the lookout for suspicious persons, keep car doors locked, and make sure that firearms are not left in cars. He also made members aware that unmarked cars were on patrol throughout the Town and that new teenage drivers were on the road now so extra caution should be exercised while driving. There has also been an uptick in accidents involving cars and pedestrians. Zennie Quinn, Chairman of the Neighborhood Council, noted that there has been a rash of accidents on the island involving motorcycles.

The primary program of the evening was delivered by Ms. Elizabeth Bernat, Director of the Lowcountry Senior Center. She said that 75% of the Center's activities were dedicated to physical activity while 100% was dedicated to social activities. Anyone over 50 can join the Center. The base fee is \$70 per year and \$100 if physical fitness programs are included. Between 200 and 250 people pass through the Center on most days. Other activities such as piano lessons and flower arranging are offered as well as outdoor activities such as kayaking and trips to the county park. Off premise activities such as lunch and happy hour outings are also arranged.

James Hackett of Code Enforcement spoke about the need for homeowners to cut their grass. If they are unable to do so themselves, then they could obtain assistance from the Helping Hands Program. Henrietta Martin, the Neighborhood Representative for the Honeyhill community said that from 9am to 11am Saturday, there will be a community cleanup program scheduled for Honey Hill on Saturday, April 29. Lunch will be provided complimentary at Edison's restaurant.

Mark Johnson, Public Works Director, began his presentation by informing those in attendance that this year's Hurricane Expo will be in the Lowe's parking lot on Saturday, May 6 from 10am to 2pm.

He went on to give a brief status of the drainage projects in the Town. The Oceanview-Stonepost drainage project will begin next week. The project will be important in that once completed, it will get stormwater easier to the marsh. The Seaside-Honeyhill-Greenhill project is still waiting on those interested in making bids. There is a pending drainage pipe repair project at Highland Circle as well as a similar project about to be undertaken in the Quail Run Community.

Regarding the status of Town sidewalk projects, Mark Johnson said that the work on the Camp Road sidewalk is underway. A proposed sidewalk project going from Condon Road to Harborview Road is currently under construction plans. A sidewalk project that will connect Fort Sumter Road to Harborview Road hopefully will begin in 2024.

The next meeting of the Neighborhood Council will be at 7 pm on May 25, 2023. The meeting closed at 7:45 pm.