

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 2 2007, 3:00 PM
KIAWAH ISLAND MUNICIPAL CENTER
2ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM**

A G E N D A

I Call to Order: Mr. Lipuma called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

II. FOIA: Notice of this meeting has been published, posted and faxed in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act and the requirements of the Town of Kiawah Island.

III. Roll Call

Present: Charles R. Lipuma, Chairman
Bill Connellee
Art Zackrison
Jim Jordan, TOKI
Liz King, KIGR
Jim Chitwood
Jerry Wilson
Norm Shea, KICA

Also Present: Amber Simmons, Town Clerk
Tumiko Rucker, Town Administrator
Jennifer Barbour, KIGR

Absent: David Elliott
Marilyn Blizard

IV. Minutes:

A. Environmental Committee Meeting for December 12, 2006

Mr. Zackrison moved to approve the minutes as submitted; motion seconded by Mr. Connellee. The minutes for December 12, 2006 were approved with a minor correction from Mr. Shea.

V. Old Business

A. Palmetto Pride Awards Update

Mrs. Rucker said that the \$500.00 grant that was given to the Town's Environmental Committee by Palmetto Pride could only be used for a beautification project or a litter reduction project. Mrs. Rucker asked the committee to start thinking about a beautification project. Mr. Lipuma, Mrs. Rucker and Mr. Jordan will attend a luncheon in Columbia on January 24, 2007 for participating in the Palmetto Pride cleanup.

B. Education Outreach, Teach and Touch Update

Mrs. Rucker said that the Town has received positive feedback from the local Elementary Schools on Johns Island about the Education Outreach Program. Mrs. Rucker said that the committee could request funds from the General Fund to sponsor this program.

VI. New Business:

A. Environmental Committee Strategic Focus

Mr. Lipuma and the committee members discussed several ideas/topics of what the Environmental Committee's Strategic Focus would be. The topics included the following: maintaining the under-story for the Island, education for the Community, continued research of endangered species and habitats, maintaining the proper storm water for the lakes and ponds on the island, input into the development of the island for environmental purposes.

VII. Committee Member Reports

Mr. Shea said that the Kiawah Island Community Association is hosting a panel discussion on January 12, 2007 to discuss the mosquito mister systems on the Island.

Ms. King stated that Animal Planet has confirmed that they will be on the island filming for three to six weeks during the months of April and May. Ms. King further stated that a representative for Animal Planet would be visiting the Resort on January 25, 2007 through January 26, 2007 looking for various locations to film.

Mr. Jordan stated that there were 3 wildlife calls: 2 birds and 1 deer. Mr. Jordan gave an update on the piping plovers and on the KINHC/Town Bobcat GPD Study. Mr. Jordan said that there has been two rare species of birds observed on the island, which are six white pelicans and a blue-phased snow goose. Mr. Jordan said that the wildlife brochures have undergone a complete revision and will be able in February. Mr. Jordan also said that the alligator video is now available on youtube.com. See Attached.

Mr. Chitwood, Mr. Connellee, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Zackrison did not have a committee member report.

VIII. Citizens' Comments- None

IX. Adjournment: Mr. Wilson moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 PM: motion seconded by Mr. Zackrison. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by:

Amber Simmons, Town Clerk

Approved:

Charles R. Lipuma, Chairman

Date: _____

CC: William G. Wert
Town Council
Tumiko Rucker