

Public Safety Committee
Tuesday, October 14, 2008; 3:00 PM
Kiawah Island Municipal Center
1st Floor Conference Room
Minutes

I. Call to Order: Mr. Orban called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call:

Present: Steven Orban, Chairman
Doug Dodge

Also Present: Rusty Lameo, TOKI
Juan Martin, TOKI
Joe Croughwell, KICA
Cpt. Jim Brady
Jackie Stanley, Assistant Chief St. Johns FD
Curtis Watlington, St. Johns FD
Cathy Wilson, Town Clerk

Absent: Joe Pezzullo
Dick Sula
Jim Broadus

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

IV. Approval of Minutes:

A. Public Safety Meeting Minutes for April 15, 2008

Mr. Orban moved to approve the April 15, 2008 minutes. Mr. Dodge seconded the motion. Mr. Dodge added the words “new” and “gate” to Mr. Croughwell’s report on page 3. With those changes the minutes were unanimously approved.

V. Citizen Presentation:

None

VI. Old Business:

None

VII. New Business:**A. Review of Charleston County Sheriff's Office Reports (See Attached)**

Captain Jim Brady stated that activities have slowed down. The only incidents were traffic violations and one DUI. Captain Brady was assigned the role of Liaison Officer during President Bush's visit and was able to coordinate the event with all involved agencies.

B. Report from KICA Security-Joe Croughwell

Mr. Croughwell stated that the summer season was slow for KICA with no major incidents to report. KICA is in the process of restructuring their offices and will be installing a security wall to deter unauthorized access to the upstairs area of the building.

C. Report from St. Johns Fire Department-Chief Karl Ristow

Chief Ristow reported that he Fire Code regarding electric burners on outdoor patios in the process of review. Currently, the International Code does not prohibit the use of electric grills on outdoor patios. Mr. Lameo stated that most of the Town's ordinances regarding grills and outside burners were passed twenty years ago and that they should possibly be reviewed. Chief Ristow reminded attendees that all radios will be "rebanding" in early 2009 and the analog frequencies will be shut down. Chief Ristow stated that St. Johns Fire Department does not carry vinegar or other household remedies to treat Jelly Fish stings.

D. Review of Beach Patrol Performance

Mr. Lameo stated that the beach patrol had a very successful season. Only four major incidents occurred and the season was unusually uneventful.

F. Ad-Hoc Safety Committee Report

Mr. Orban asked about the status of the beach access located next to the Loggerhead Restaurant at the Sanctuary. He explained that he attended a meeting with MR. Lameo, MR. Martin, and Mr. Roger Warren to discuss the options for improvement. Ms. Johnstone stated that the Resort had taken the initiative of cleaning the area. Mr. Martin stated that five trees

had been cut and gravel was added to the existing path. Mr. Lameo stated that an inspection would be conducted to assess the improvements.

IX. Correspondence:

None

X. Committee Members' Comments:

Mr. Lameo stated that on behalf of the Mayor, the Town would like to have been more informed of the Presidential visit. Mr. Lameo stated that the Town was accidentally informed of the visit when a property owner called to complain about low flying helicopters which turned out to be a practice fly by.

XI. Chairman's Report:

Mr. Orban stated that KICA will renovate the bridge at Blue Heron during the fall of 2008. This project should take only a few weeks and will cause traffic delays. The construction crew will have the necessary equipment to make the bridge accessible in the case of emergency.

XII. Adjournment:

Mr. Dodge moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:03 PM; motion seconded by Mr. Pezzullo. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted By _____
Catherine C. Wilson, Town Clerk

Approved: _____
Steve Orban, Chairman

Date: _____

**CC: Public Safety Committee Members:
William G. Wert, Mayor
Dennis Rhoad, Town Attorney
Tumiko Rucker, Town Administrator.**