



Town of Hilton Head Island
Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee

Thursday, October 17, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

MEETING MINUTES

Present from the Committee: Stephen Arnold, *Chairman*; John Farrell, *Vice-Chairman*; Martin Lesch, Keith Schlegel, Adriaan Radder, and Thomas Dowling

Absent from the Committee: Cecile Eck

Present from Town Council: None

Present from Town Staff: Erica Madhere, *Budget Analyst*; Shena Smith, *Finance Assistant*; and Jacob Schreib, *IT Analyst*

Present from the Media: None

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Chairman Arnold requested a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Schlegel moved to approve the agenda as submitted and Mr. Farrell seconded. By show of hands, the motion was carried by a vote of 6-0-1.

3. New Business

a. Hearing of Applicants – Shena Smith, Finance Assistant

The following applicants made presentations to the Committee during the morning session:

1. Lowcountry Gullah
2. Hilton Head Concours d'Elegance
3. The Heritage Library Foundation
4. Gullah Museum of HHI
5. Mitchelville Preservation Project
6. The Sandbox
7. The Outside Foundation
8. Hilton Head MLK Committee for Justice

The Committee broke for lunch at 12:10 p.m. and resumed the meeting at 1:12 p.m. During the afternoon session, the following applicants made presentations to the Committee:

9. David M. Carmines Memorial Foundation
10. HHI St. Patrick's Day Parade
11. Hilton Head Symphony Orchestra
12. Hilton Head Audubon Society
13. Hilton Head Choral Society

- 14. Lowcountry Golf Course Owners Association
- 15. Hilton Head Recreation Association
- 16. Art League of Hilton Head
- 17. The First Tee of the Lowcountry

During the presentation of the First Tee of the Lowcountry and the Lowcountry Golf Course Owners Association, Mr. Farrell disclosed that, while he has no conflict of interest, he serves as a board member for the organization and therefore thought it best to recuse himself from participating. The necessary disclosure forms are on file.

4. Public Comment – Non Agenda items None.

5. Adjournment

At 3:40 p.m. Mr. Arnold adjourned the meeting.

Submitted by: Shena Smith, Secretary

Approved: November 7, 2024