

SANGAREE SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT (SSTD) ADVISORY COMMISSION
Public Meeting August 3, 2021 - 7:00pm – 8:00pm
Dial-in number (US): (301) 715-8592
<https://zoom.us/j/92097293759?pwd=ZWdCRW1mRmN6Rm42ek1Ta1hmVGppdz09>
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MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Chairman Drew Hauelsen. In attendance were: Chairman Drew Hauelsen, Secretary Jeannie Beard, Commissioners Ann Birch, Commissioner Pat Temple and Commissioner Harold Green. Commissioner Bagley was absent. Also in attendance were: SSTD General Manager Brian Callihan; Administrative Assistant Laura Baker; and Berkeley County Councilman Tommy Newell.

The following residents joined the meeting through Zoom – Kevin Melling; Elle Meise; Darrel Moser; Jeff Brubaker; and Lynn Satterfield.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Jeannie Beard made a motion that the agenda be approved, seconded by Ann Birch, and it was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR July 13, 2021 Meeting – A motion to approve the Minutes for July 3, 2021 meeting was made by Jeannie Beard, seconded by Pat Temple, and it was approved by a majority of the commissioners pending any corrections, additions or deletions that may need to be made.

AGENDA ITEMS

I. General Manager's Report -

- A. General Manager, Brian Callihan, reported Berkeley County offices will be closed on Monday September 6, 2021 in observance of Labor Day. Contracted services and County services will be delayed 1 day. The SSTD Office will also be closed for Labor Day,
- B. August newsletter has been mailed and posted to the County website.
- C. Code Enforcement reminder – It was recommended individuals try communicating with neighbors to resolve issues before contacting code enforcement. Many residents are receptive to a friendly request.
- D. SSTD office received 382 calls in July (64 contracted service, 87 Sangaree, 84 information, 25 misc. and 122 hang ups). For July, the most common calls to the SSTD office included garbage/roll cart questions, service days, and neighbor complaints.
- E. SSTD office made a second attempt to collect old roll carts on July 27, and 28. CWS serviced all curbside carts and hauled old empty carts to SSTD shop for Republic to coordinate removal. Residents can continue to surrender "empty" old carts by contacting the office for removal.
- F. Green area maintenance - Frequent rains in July prevented the completion of the scheduled monthly maintenance. All 43 green areas received some monthly mowing and trimming maintenance in July. Green areas not completed will be rescheduled ASAP.
- G. Drainage ditch maintenance - Sangaree crews continue to keep ditches clean of trash and debris. County spray crew is planning to return in September to treat ditches.
- H. Sign maintenance - New color for main entrances? Brian asked the commissioners if they were happy with the color of the signage in Sangaree, which has been the forest green and cream colored. While not everyone's favorite color scheme, there were no dissents in maintaining the current colors for Sangaree. The color of the signs for the parks will be red and white to make them distinctive. He then advised that he has

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requested a new person for signs. The new position will be responsible for maintenance and repairs of all signs (currently posted).

- I. **Tree work** - July work included the removal of a dead pine tree behind 708 Beauregard, removal of a dead pine tree at the corner of Berkeley and the parkway, and the removal of 2 dead pines in the green area next to the library.

- J. **Special Projects --**

1. Sangaree park pavilion – This will be a fall/winter project for the Sangaree Crew and/or Berkeley County,
2. Sangaree Park basketball court – This will also be a fall/winter project.
3. Walking trail -- Layout and details can begin immediately.
4. Sangaree Park baseball field improvements - SSTD crew will start to schedule the removal of old fence and the layout of the infield on existing field. This will be a good rainy day event. Mark's crew from Berkeley County can assist.
5. Street sign replacement – The first round of panels have been ordered, and posts are being prepared for installation in Village Green and along Longleaf Road.
6. Parkway improvements - SSTD crew is installing edging and mulch around trees. Plans for additional planting will be revisited in the fall. Someone “accidentally” took out one of the trees, but it was salvageable.
7. Curbing for Sangaree Parkway median – Councilman Newell is investigating having curbing installed around the median islands which would vastly improve their appearance as well as hopefully being a deterrent to cars driving on the median.
8. Regarding a question raised by a resident about apparent “sporadic” mowing in Lyons Cove Park which may occur over a couple of days, Brian explained that generally, it is part of the mowing assignment which falls during a day and cannot be completed in one day, or rain interrupts the mowing. Brian also said that sometimes the crew starts mowing at the end of the day to give them a jump start on the next day's workload.

II. Committee Reports

- A. Fire Protection – Commissioner Todd Ellis tendered his resignation from the Commission so there was no report from him.
C&B Fire Report -- There was no report from Chief Woodall. A report had been requested on August 2, 2021, but Chief Woodall did not have enough time to prepare a report.
- B. Parks and Recreation – In response to a question posed by Chairman Ann Birch, Brian replied that park and playground areas are mowed at one time for regular upkeep. They also mow the 8-10 of the 43 total green areas each week.
- C. Maintenance of Common Areas – No additional report was made.
- D. Solid Waste Collection – Brian covered this in his Manager's Report. There were a few hiccups, but they were resolved.

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III. General Projects – (This was the first meeting of SSTD’s new fiscal year.)

- A. Pavilion – Brian covered this in the Manager’s Report. Since this is the new fiscal year, funding has been allocated for building the Pavilion and this will be scheduled for this fall.
- B. Walking Trail – People have already been using the walking trail, and a suggestion was made that the trail be graded for easier, safer walking path.
- C. Basketball Court – Brian is getting pricing for new basketball equipment for Sangaree Park. The commission is also considering other parks where a basketball court could be installed.
- D. Parkway Beautification – This is looking great, but the Commissioners and residents would like to see it continued and even upgraded with curbing, etc.
- E. Baseball Field – Brian is obtaining a quote for fencing for the backstop for the baseball field. Tommy also knows a man for clay marking.

IV. Community Questions/Feedback –

- A. Barbara Jackson had several questions but also commented on the Partridge Creek sign and the improvements to the Parkway median. She suggested that perhaps on Community Day a “Kids’ Talent Day” be held featuring the youngsters of the community. She had several suggestions for the Community Day such as a cook-off, neighborhood parade with floats, etc. The Commission was in favor but suggested she would need many volunteers to assist her.
- B. Darrell Moser had a question about mosquito abatement. He would like notification when the County does spraying due to his bee hives. He was informed this information will be on the Berkeley County website. It was also suggested he notify the SSTD Office so preventive measures for his area could be taken.
- C. The Berkeley County Sheriff’s Department is working on a substation next to the BCSW water tower and they will be needing volunteers to help man the office.

V. Announcements

- A. The next Public Meeting will be November 02, 2021 at 7:00pm
- B. The next Planning Meeting will be September 7, 2021.

VI. Additional Agenda Items, if needed

ADJOURNMENT – At this point, Chairman Drew Haueisen said he would entertain a motion for adjournment. Commissioner Jeannie Beard made a motion that the meeting be adjourned at 8:43 p.m., which was seconded by Commissioner Ann Birch, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Jeannie Beard, Secretary
Sangaree Special Tax District Advisory Commission