

SANGAREE SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT (SSTD) ADVISORY COMMISSION
Public Meeting- February 02, 2021 7:00pm – 8:00pm
Dial-in number (US): (301) 715-8592
Online meeting ID: 933 3793 0650 Passcode: 434067
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Chairman Drew Hauelsen called the Planning Meeting to order at 7.01 p.m. The meeting was attended virtually by Vice Chairman, Michael Bagley, Secretary Jeannie Beard, Commissioner Ann Birch, Commissioner Harold Green, and Alternate Commissioners Pat Temple, and Todd Ellis. Also present virtually in the absence of the SSTD General Manager Brian Callihan was the SSTD Administrative Assistant, Laura Baker, and S.C. Sen. Brian Adams.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Commissioner Jeannie Beard made a motion to approve the proposed Agenda for the SSTD Quarterly Public Meeting. It was seconded by Michael Bagley and unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR January 05, 2021 Meeting - Commissioner Michael Bagley made a motion to approve the Minutes for the January 5, 2021 Planning Meeting. It was seconded by Commissioner Pat Temple and approved with Commissioner Ann Birch decline because she had not attended the January meeting.

In an effort to be cognizant of S.C. Sen. Brian Adams' time, Chairman Drew Hauelsen asked Senator Adams to address the meeting. Sen. Adams first of all offered kudos for the work the Commission has been able to accomplish for Sangaree. Regarding the condition of Trenholm Road, Sen. Adams reported he had talked with Mr. Hutto at the SCDOT who said pavement was scheduled to be replaced in 2023. Commissioner Todd Ellis had been given a date of 2021-2022, and Rep. Joseph Danning had earlier reported that SCDOT would repave in 2021. Senator Adams is going to verify exactly when the work is scheduled and advise the Commission. He also gave his email address for anyone who might want to contact him: *Sen44brianadams@yahoo.com*.

AGENDA ITEMS

I. General Manager's Report

- A. There are no scheduled holidays in February or March. The next county holiday is Friday, April 2, 2021 for the Good Friday Observance. No services will be affected.
- B. Code Enforcement - There is new Code Enforcement office working in Sangaree. Officer Wirth introduced herself to the Sangaree staff on Monday. She can be reached at the Berkeley County Code Enforcement Office. 843-719-4758.
- C. Calls for February - 109 Phone Calls in January broken down as follows:
Sangaree Related – 45, Contractors Related – 11, Other Inquiries – 29, Hang-ups – 24. The most common question/concern was: 1) when various services are ; 2) Replacing broken/damaged MSW Carts; 3) Miscellaneous questions about many things.
- D. Fence Project at Sangaree Park - Installation of the Split Rail fence is complete. It was installed to protect Sangaree Park from unauthorized vehicles destroying the Park open space.
- E. Cambridge Park - Installation of the new equipment at Cambridge Park will begin this month.
- F. Street Sign Panels Project –
 1. Indian Woods - The second half of the Indian Woods subdivision street sign panels will be ordered this month and installed upon arrival.
 2. Carriage Crossing - The Carriage Crossing subdivision signs are almost done. There is one 'carriage' left to install.
- G. Shore Line Project - Currently in the process of creating the planting.
- H. Pavilion Project - Pavilion will be part of FY-2022.
- I. Budget FY2022 - We need to get together next week (week of 2/8) to finalize the budget and have all the details by Friday 2/12/21 so it can be submitted to the county on time.

II. Committee Reports

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- A. Fire Protection – Commissioner Todd Ellis reported Chief Woodall, who had intended to be at this meeting, had another meeting to attend but expressed his appreciation for our cooperation.
 - 1. C&B Fire Report – Todd e-mailed the Commissioners the itemized incidents report generated at the C&B Fire Department, which is attached to these Minutes.
- B. Parks and Recreation – Chairman Ann Birch has been investigating the use of solar lighting, specifically for use in Sangaree Park. This may be less expensive overall than the lights currently being used within Sangaree. There are questions, for instance, can they operate with a timer to shut them off automatically at, perhaps 10:00pm, as well as comparative costs with lighting currently supplied by Berkeley Electric.
- C. Maintenance of Common Areas – The Parkway Beautification Project is looking good even though it is only partially completed. There have been many requests for volunteers; however, that will necessitate completing and submitting a Berkeley County Volunteer Form. Forms are available through the SSTD Office.
- D. Solid Waste Collection – The Solid Waste Collection contract expires at the end of this fiscal year in June 2021. Berkeley County has already solicited requests for bids, but at this point we have no more to report.

III. Special Projects for FY 2021-2022 (for completion)

- A. Pavilion – The Advisory Commission has met with Brian and are working to complete final plans for location, size and accessories for the new Sangaree Park Pavilion. The Commission has come up with several proposed layouts and are evaluating which would be best.
- B. Walking Trail / Parking area – This project is one that the community has requested. In reviewing the proposed trail, the Commission believes it would be beneficial both to encourage walking and to add to the aesthetics of the trail to build two foot bridges to enable easier access to the trail from the field and also to the field from the trail. Brian is working on costs for constructing the bridges.
- C. Basketball Court – The Commission has approved placing a basketball court in the Sangaree Park. This is also part of the Park layout and design for best placement.
- D. Parkway Beautification – This will be continued throughout the 2021-2022 FY. Residents have commented positively on the plantings that have been completed. The only negative reaction was to the destruction of several plantings for beautification. It was also suggested that perhaps curbing and sidewalks on both sides of the Parkway could be constructed – curbing to discourage destruction of completed plantings and improve the looks of our median, and sidewalks on both sides to enable more residents to use them for exercise.
- E. Baseball Field Repairs – Replacing/Repairing the baseball diamond which is very dilapidated is expected to be completed during the coming year.

IV. Community Questions/Feedback –

- A. Survey / Contact Preference Postcard – Commissioner Ann Birch has been exploring the best way to contact the majority of the residents, many of whom do not have internet capabilities. The idea of a postcard mailing requesting specific preferences for communication was mentioned. This would allow all adult residents to receive information, but we also are aware that many adults view information from Sangaree as “junk mail”, which basically defeats the purpose of the mailing. The Commissioners approved a mailer requesting feedback on the preferred method of contact as well as advising which projects have been approved and are in progress for FY2021-2022. Additionally, residents are being asked to rank 5 or 6 other proposed projects that they would like to see in the community and return the mailer to the SSTD Office. They were advised also that without this information we have no way of knowing their thoughts or preferences.
- B. Mr. Toney brought up the expenditures for the round-about, believing SSTD tax dollars were being spent for a Berkeley County project. Further investigation showed that the items in question were included on a

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blanket search for “Sangaree” within the Berkeley County expense report instead of being specific to SSTD Payments.

- C. Dog Park – one of the residents asked about a Dog Park in Sangaree. There is continuing interest, but objections to “not in my back yard” have been made. We have discovered that we will be able to have insurance coverage for the park, although it will not cover the actions of anyone’s pet. We are searching for a location that the majority of residents could accept, even if they do not like it. The idea has been expressed that we cannot allow a minority of a very few families to dictate location. The Commission is looking for a feasible and accessible area. This is a project that many residents would like to see completed. The residents have been encouraged to express any ideas to the Commissioners and/or the SSTD Office.
- D. Park Directional Signs – Elle Meise was requested to e-mail the locations for placement of the park directional signs.
- E. A resident raised the question when the Holiday flags were being taken down. SSTD Administrative Assistant Laura Baker responded that they had been taken down the prior week. The delay was caused by access to a “cherry picker” truck which we were finally able to borrow from Berkeley County for their removal.

V. Announcements - The next Planning Meeting will be March 02, 2021 at 6:00pm

Additional Agenda Items, if needed

ADJOURNMENT – At this point, Jeannie Beard made a motion that the meeting be adjourned, which was seconded by Michael Bagley, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Jeannie Beard, Secretary