

SANGAREE SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT (SSTD) ADVISORY COMMISSION

Planning Meeting- September 7, 2021 6:00pm – 7:00pm

595 Sangaree Parkway - Berkeley County Library

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MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6.08 p.m. by Chairman Drew Haueisen. In attendance were: Chairman Drew Haueisen, Vice Chairman Michael Bagley, Secretary Jeannie Beard, Commissioners Ann Birch, Commissioner Pat Temple and Alternate Commissioner Harold Green. Also in attendance were: SSTD General Manager Brian Callihan; and SSTD Administrative Assistant Laura Baker.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR August 03, 2021 Meeting - A motion to approve the Minutes for August 3, 2021 meeting was made by Ann Birch, 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. There are no upcoming holidays for the balance of September and until our scheduled October meeting.
- B. As a reminder, the November newsletter gets mailed to the community and our target date for sending it to the printer is Friday, October 15, 2021. The SSTD office is requesting that all topics and suggestions be submitted by the end of September.
- C. Code Enforcement reminder – There are covenants and restrictions for each of the individual neighborhoods in Sangaree. Most Code Enforcement is to a minimum standard, and in most cases, the resident is given 30 days to address the issue. It was also suggested that the residents make an effort to talk to their neighbors about the issue and see if that is enough to correct the problem. Regarding the covenants and restrictions, they are open-ended and renew automatically at the end of each period. Michael was checking to ensure we can enforce our covenants.

We also discussed flooding in various areas within Sangaree. Alleviating the flooding problem is also a problem since certain areas do not have easements to allow easy access for correction.

- D. SSTD office received 167 calls in August (30 contracted service, 66 Sangaree, 26 misc. and 45 hang ups). For August, the most common calls to the SSTD office included AT&T equipment upgrades, service days, and neighbor issues (trees, fences, etc.). A comment was made that perhaps we should consider a refrigerator magnet printed with some of this info, although it was not suggested as a motion.
- E. SSTD office will continue to remove old roll carts, full or empty, if residents will place carts curbside on collection day.
- F. Green area maintenance - All scheduled August monthly maintenance was completed, including green area mowing, drain cleaning, and parkway mowing/ edging.
- G. Drainage ditch maintenance - Sangaree crews continue to keep ditches clean of trash and debris. County spray crew will return on Monday September 13, 2021, to start another round of vegetation control. Application will take estimated 4 weeks, ending around October 8, 2021. We also requested the SSTD Office to notify Darrell Moser when spraying is being done so he can protect his bee hives.

- H. Sign maintenance - Sangaree park sign will be installed this month and Cambridge Park sign will be ordered.
- I. Tree work - August work included removal of old pines in parkway median near library, misc. stump grinding and tree trimming.
- J. Special Projects –
 - 1. Sangaree Park Pavilion – The Advisory Committee had decided that pavilion would be a basic covered and open sided structure. The General Manager was going to secure pricing for the Sangaree Park Pavilion compared to the cost of the Moncks Corner Park Pavilion and advise the Commissioners. The plan was to let Berkeley County administration handle the initial part of the project.
 - 2. Sangaree Park basketball court – It was agreed that the size of the basketball would be the “junior” size court approximately 42 x 74. And Brian was given the approval to proceed with the basketball court.
 - 3. Walking Trail – The Advisory Commission approved the use of the “track” or drive on the other side of the ditch from the Library. We also suggested that the General Manager have the trail graded and smoothed somewhat so there are no roots or holes to trip walkers, and also that mileage signs be erected as well as a couple of benches for sitting and enjoying nature and the quiet.. No motion was made since this had been approved for budgeted spending.
 - 4. Sangaree Park baseball field improvements - SSTD crew will start scheduling the removal of the old fence and layout the infield on the existing field. The backdrop was approved for replacement. Also, the field will have to be tilled and dragged for leveling, and then measured for the new fencing.
 - 5. Street Sign Replacement – The first round of posts and panels is almost completed and scheduled for installation in September in Village Green. There are 130 to be done with 60-70 to be completed in 2021 and the balance in 2022.
 - 6. Parkway Improvements – SSTD crew has been scheduled to install edging and mulch around the trees this month. Plans for additional plantings will be reviewed again this Fall.
 - a. Entrance flower beds – Noting the need for improvement, the general manager said they are actively working on this.
 - b. Larger Entrance signs for main entrances – The general manager was requested to secure pricing for larger entrance signs made of a better, longer lasting material. Among the suggestions was wrought iron, or cypress, as well as highly reflective paint. Brian advised that a 5ft x 6 ft sign would cost in the neighborhood of \$1,600. The Commissioners agreed that the entrances should have larger, easily visible, and tasteful signs and to proceed with securing them since these are funded.

II. Committee Reports

- A. Fire Protection - Josh Woodall reported that he would provide quarterly reports.
- B. Parks and Recreation – These were covered in the General Manager’s report.
- C. Maintenance of Common Areas – This was covered in the General Manager’s report.
- D. Solid Waste Collection – Pat reported that there were not many complaints at all this month. The only issue seemed to be with the cost for the second bin. Apparently, a couple of residents were charged \$30 or \$35 instead of the contracted \$21 quarterly. Pat will contact those residents referring them to Carolina Waste or the Office as needed.

III. Unfinished Business

- A. Sangaree Park Design – This was covered in the General Manager’s report.
 - a. Pavilion update - This was also covered in the General Manager’s report.

- B. Solar Lighting – A test light has been installed at the maintenance garage. Our current street lights are 400 watt or 2000 lumen. The test does not offer much brightness. There is a remote control, and Brian is to check to see if they can be adjusted brighter. Also, there is supposed to be a dusk to dawn setting instead of an automatic shut off after a few hours. So far, the results have not been very enlightening, so to speak. Brian is to do additional testing of the modes available for the trial lights, although the first impression is that they are not very bright.
- C. Trello Status Updates – There were no status updates.

IV. New Business

- A. Sangaree Community Day (Discussion) – Because of COVID, Sangaree Community Day was postponed for 2021. A suggestion made by the Board was that perhaps later we could have a small fireworks display for the residents.
- B. Highland Creek Park – Commissioner Pat Temple talked to the residents about a Park for the Highland Park / Tabby Creek area. The residents were excited at the possibility of having a park in their neighborhood, and a donation of an acre has been offered by a contractor who wants to build another 40 or 50 single family homes in the general area of Sangaree. We do not know where exactly. This offer will be given to Berkeley County Legal to review.

V. Additional Items –

- A. A resident would like to sponsor some activities at Sangaree Park and has been told she will need to complete a Volunteer Application. We also will need specifics for what she would like to do.
- B. A resident also made the suggestion that a border be placed around the Hampton Creek entrance since it is kind of run down.
- C. Commissioner Bagley also asked Brian whether or not Stacks had quoted on the chipping work in Sangaree and if there were any others submitted. Brian said they lowered their bid to \$50,000 and apparently this was the lowest bid received.
- D. A suggestion was made to place the Sangaree Community Yard Sale on the Community calendar so the date would be locked in. The Commission decided on April 23, 2022 with a rain date of April 30, 2022.

VI. Announcements

- A. The next Planning Meeting will be October 05, 2021, at 6:00pm

ADJOURNMENT - At this point, Chairman Drew Hauelsen said he would entertain a motion for adjournment. Commissioner Ann Birch made a motion that the meeting be adjourned at 7:37 p.m., which was seconded by Commissioner Jeannie Beard, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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