

**Date:** Saturday, August 2, 2025  
**Time:** 10:00 am - 11:00 am  
**Location:** 595 Sangaree Parkway; Sangaree Library  
**Conference:** <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81082818026?pwd=E5hqQQ2aZWR35qq2r6OhVUI3PanLHE.1>



**Sangaree Special Tax District**

## Minutes

### Attendees:

- Michael Bagley, Chair
- Pat Temple, Vice-Chair
- Barb Webber, Secretary
- Ann Birch, Commissioner
- Lynn Toups, Commissioner
- Harold Green, Alternate Commissioner
- Michelle Bechtold, Alternate Commissioner
- Tim King, General Manager
- Laura Baker, Administrative Assistant

### Absentees:

- Tommy Newell, Councilman

**Meeting Called to Order:** 10:02 am

### Agenda Items

#### I. Call to Order

- Agenda Approval** - Pat Temple made a motion to approve the Agenda, seconded by Lynn Toups, and unanimously approved.
- Minutes Approval** - Michelle Bechtold made a motion to approve the minutes for July 1, seconded by Pat Temple, and unanimously approved.

#### II. General Manager's Update

- The next county holiday is Labor Day on September 2nd. All district services will be delayed by one day.
- SSTD received 88 calls in July 2025 for 63 Sangaree, 10 contractor, and 15 miscellaneous.
  - Most calls were about educational questions (When is a service/I have...out for pickup).
  - In second place was Miscellaneous.
  - In third place were Potholes and trees.
- Special Projects
  - After the first month of no contractor chipping, the crew only had to chip on Tuesday once. The crew has averaged 113 chip piles per week. Last year, it was 42 stops. Chipping is taken to the landfill.

- b. Cameras are up and operating at Sangaree Park. Damage was captured on camera, and individuals were identified. Unfortunately, vandalism has continued. Cameras are not showing enough to identify. Michael Bagley stated the funds were from the county so perhaps SSTD could purchase a 360 camera. A community member mentioned perhaps signage for cameras in use to help deter vandalism.
- c. Sangaree Library, in cooperation with the SSTD, is putting on a Back-To-School event Thursday, August 7, from 1 pm to 4 pm. Bring your kids.
- d. We are 2 months out from our Community Day event. Orders have been placed and supplies are arriving. We need volunteers! - Setup, clean up, manning the food table, helping with the bounce house, you name it. See Barb Webber or contact the office.
- e. Special notice: If using an old roll card for your yard debris, it MUST be marked on the side of the can so the drivers can see it when approaching.
- f. A community member asked for clarification of the cardboard pick-up. Tim confirmed that you can fold the cardboard and place it next to the trash can.
- g. Laura reminded community members that demo and construction materials are not collected.
- h. Laura shared that we received \$5000 approximately back into the SSTD from the metal pick up.
- i. Tim shared contact information with the community with the Tax District office.

### **III. General Projects and Information/Trello**

- A. Capital Waste Updates were shared by Tim during the General Manager's Report.
- B. We need volunteers for the Community Day 2025.

### **IV. Five-Year Planning**

- A. All community members in attendance received a copy of the Five-Year Capital Improvement. Michael shared the Plan Amendments and Safeguards.
- B. Plan Projects
  - 1. Sangaree Library Expansion
- C. Park Enhancements
  - 1. Sangaree Park
  - 2. Trenholm Park
    - a) Community Member asked if parking would be addressed. Michael mentioned it is included in the five-year plan.
- D. Park Pavilion Construction
  - 1. A community member asked how large the small pavilion is. Laura answered with 2 2-table pavilion.
- E. Pathways and Parking Improvement
  - 1. Sidewalks at Sangaree Park
  - 2. Develop driveway and parking areas at: Cambridge Park, Sangaree Park, Pierre Park, and Trenholm Park.
    - a) Michelle stated the five-year plan needs to include parking for Sangaree Park, detailed with an extension.
    - b) Laura shared that the parking at Sangaree Library is for the library only and is not for community events.

- c) Community Member asked if we could use the green space next to the Library Parking. Michael stated there is a drainage issue, and **SSTD would need to contact Roads and Bridges for clarification.**
  - d) Community Member asked if Berkeley County or SSTD owns the Library parking. Ann Birch stated this has been a concern. Ann asked if SSTD takes care of the grounds. Laura stated SSTD is part of the facilities and grounds, and we take care of the green spaces. Michael shared that the county takes care of the roundabout. The SSTD was the voice of the residents. Ann and Michael shared that there should not be a division. Tim shared that the relationship is bridged between the county and SSTD. The Library states that we impact their patrons during Sangaree Day with parking. Ann stated that the Library is part of the community, and the SSTD supports the library. Laura shared that there has not been aggression or disagreement regarding parking.
  - e) Community Member shared that the SSTD grounds does a much better job of maintaining the green spaces than the county
  - f) Community Member asked if there is a plan for an additional basketball court at Sangaree Park. The member stated opposition. Michael shared that the commission is researching if there is a need and/or location for an additional court. Community member shared that the basketball court that used to be at Pierre Park had people bring cars for lighting and music, which is a nuisance for the homeowners nearby. A half-court basketball court was suggested by a community member.
  - g) Michael shared that we will **create a survey to see community interest in an additional basketball court.**
- F. Electrical Upgrades and Fan Installations - Michael shared that there will be an opinion poll for the community to share time for lighting hours. A community member asked if motion sensor lights could be used in areas after the lights are turned off to help deter. Another community member asked if the Berkeley County Sheriff's Department to patrol. Ann Birch supported the idea that the Berkeley County Sheriff Department is the real deterrent.
- 1. Sangaree Duck Pond - electricity
  - 2. Sangaree Park- electric access and lighting
    - a) Community Member asked what the cost would be to add an USB for a charging station. Michael shared that it would \$40 per electric meter monthly charge. It was noted that the more expensive cost would be the wire needing to be laid and connected to the nearest existing meter. Tim shared that Berkeley Electric would install up to 100 feet for free, and then we will have to pay for additional. Michael requested to have Tim **contact Berkeley Electric to determine the location and price to connect to the nearest meter to Sangaree Park.**
  - 3. Cambridge Park - lighting
- G. Community Members
- H. Community Comments:
- 1. A community member asked if SSTD had Cat Traps. Laura shared that SSTD is not responsible for animal control. A community member stated that the local animal shelters are not able to assist at this time due to overcrowding.
  - 2. Tim shared that there could be a future possibility of plans to join Pierre Park and Sangaree Park with a walking path.
  - 3. Bill, a community member, shared concerns about golf carts and scooters on the streets of Sangaree. Enforcement is required, but Bill encouraged the SSTD to publicize the ordinances regarding golf carts and scooters. Michael shared his concern as a citizen

regarding BCSO's lack of response to calls for motorized vehicles in Sangaree Park, and his exchange that was shared with Tommy Newell and BCSO.

4. Tim shared that BCSO will not chase motorized vehicles due to possible legal consequences.
5. A community member congratulated our community on the SSTD and not having an HOA.
6. Another community member commended the SSTD grounds crew for the upkeep of our green spaces.
7. Bob, a community member, shared that the local church on the Frontage Road is helping to keep roads clear.
8. A community member asked who is responsible for the limbs trimmed around the light posts. Berkeley Electric Cooperative is responsible. Laura shared that community members can report a light pole is covered on the Berkeley Electric website. Tim stated twice a year, SSTD trims when they put up the flags.
9. Community Member appreciated the posting on social media pages for the Public Planning Meetings.





**V. Announcements**

- A. Sangaree Community Day is Saturday, October 11, at 11:00 am at Sangaree Park.
- B. The next public meeting is Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 6:00 pm at the Sangaree Library.
- C. The next planning meeting is Tuesday, September 2, at 6:00 pm at the Sangaree Office.

- VI. Adjournment** - Michelle Bechtold motioned to adjourn at 11:25 am, seconded by Lynn Toups, and unanimously approved.



# Decision Register

 Motion	 Second	 Topic	 Status
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