

**TOWN OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND
ACCOMMODATIONS TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Date: November 3, 2016 **Time:** 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: Stewart Brown, *Chairman*; Mike Alsko, *Vice Chairman*; Trish Heichel, Brad Marra, and Heather Rath

Members Absent: Rob Bender and Cliff McMackin

Council Present: John McCann

Staff Present: Brian Hulbert, *Staff Attorney*; Erica Madhere, *Finance Administrator*; and Cindaia Ervin, *Finance Assistant*

Others Present: Various representatives from organizations that applied for ATAX Grants, members of the public

Media: None

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. FOIA Compliance:

Public notification of this meeting has been published, posted, and mailed in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act and the Town of Hilton Head Island requirements.

3. Approval of Minutes:

Ms. Heichel moved to approve the Minutes of October 27, 2016. Mr. Alsko seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of (5-0).

4. Chairman's Report:

None

5. Unfinished Business:

None

6. New Business:

Stewart Brown, Chairman, opened the meeting and the applicants made presentations as followed:

a. Hearing of applicants

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

1. The Sandbox
2. HH Wine and Food Festival, Inc.
3. The Heritage Library: *Foundation & History Day*
4. The Coastal Discovery
5. Arts Center of Costal Carolina

6. Mitchelville Preservation Project
7. Native Island Business & Community Association

During the presentation by The Heritage Library and the Hilton Head Symphony, Mrs. Rath disclosed a potential conflict of interest and did not participate. Also, during presentation by Shelter Cove Harbour Company, Mr. Marra disclosed a potential conflict of interest and did not participate. The required disclosure forms are attached.

Prior to the committee breaking for lunch, Mr. Brown asked if anyone would like to make any public comment. Skip Hoagland, spoke regarding the Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce/VCB and his concern with the organization as a whole.

The Committee broke for lunch at 12:10 p.m. and resumed the meeting at 12:50 p.m. During the afternoon session, the following applicants made presentations to the Committee.

8. Town of Hilton Head Island
9. HH Symphony Orchestra
10. David M. Carmines Memorial Foundation
11. Skull Creek 4th of July Celebration
12. Shelter Cove Harbour Company 4th of July & Harbourfest Fireworks
13. Harbour Town Merchants Assoc. 4th of July Celebration
14. HH St. Patrick's Day Parade

After the presentations concluded, Mr. Brown thanked everyone for taking the time to present to the committee, and reminded everyone that the meeting for the Review & Recommendations will be held on Wednesday November 9th at 9:00 a.m.

8. Adjournment:

Mrs. Heichel made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Alsko seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously (5-0) and the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Approved: November 9, 2016

Respectfully submitted:

Stewart Brown, Chairman

Cindaia Ervin, Secretary