



## Beaufort County Northern Regional Plan Implementation Committee Meeting

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# Beaufort County Northern Regional Plan Implementation Committee Agenda

Friday, January 24, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.

Executive Conference Room, Administration Building  
Robert Smalls Complex, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. FOIA – PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PUBLISHED, POSTED, AND DISTRIBUTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SOUTH CAROLINA FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.
4. WELCOME JOE DEVITO, TOWN OF PORT ROYAL MAYOR
5. APPROVAL OF [MINUTES](#) - November 22, 2019
6. CITIZEN COMMENTS (*Comments are limited to 3 minutes.*)

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### ACTION ITEMS

7. PRIORITIZED LIST OF ITEMS TO ADDRESS (Each committee member should prepare a list of topics to address for the upcoming year.)
8. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF [2020 MEETING SCHEDULE](#)

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### DISCUSSION ITEMS

9. ROUND THE TABLE COMMENTS

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### NEW / OTHER BUSINESS

10. THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2020, 9:30 A.M., EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM, BEAUFORT COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 100 RIBAUT ROAD, BEAUFORT, SC.
11. ADJOURNMENT

**Northern Beaufort County Regional Plan Implementation Committee  
Executive Conference Room, Beaufort County Administration Building  
100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, SC 29902**

**Meeting**

**Friday, November 22, 2019, 9:30 a.m.**

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**ATTENDANCE**

**Members Present:** Mike Tomy, MPC Chairman (Chairman); Billy Keyserling, City of Beaufort Mayor; Samuel Murray, Town of Port Royal Mayor; Alice Howard, Beaufort County Council; Mike McFee, City of Beaufort Mayor Pro Tem, and Mr. Ed Pappas, Beaufort County Planning Commission Chairman.

**Members Absent:** Jerry Ashmore, Town of Port Royal Council; York Glover, Lowcountry Council of Governments; Gerald Dawson, Beaufort County Council; Colin Moore, Town of Yemassee Mayor; Brian Flewelling, Beaufort County Council; and Earl Campbell, Beaufort County School Board Chair.

**Staff Present:** Robert Merchant, Beaufort County Community Development Dept Deputy Director; Noah Krepps, Beaufort County Long Range Planner; and Diane McMaster, Beaufort County Community Development Senior Administrative Specialist.

**Other Attendees:** Paul Sommerville, Beaufort County Council; Dave Prichard, City of Beaufort Community and Economic Development Director; Ginnie Kozak, Lowcountry Council of Governments Planning and Transportation Director; Rikki Parker, Coastal Conservation League; Chuck Newton, Sea Island Coalition; and Joe DeVito, Town of Port Royal Mayor Elect; Paul Butare, Lady's Island Plan; Van Willis, Town of Port Royal; and Linda Bridges, Town of Port Royal Planning.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Mike Tomy called the Northern Regional Plan Implementation Committee (NRPIC) meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Chairman Mike Tomy led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** There were none.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES:** The October 25, 2019, meeting minutes were reviewed. The motion to approve the minutes as written passed with Mr. Mike McFee abstaining.

**AGENDA REVIEW:** Mayor Billy Keyserling made a motion requesting the reordering of Agenda items 7 and 9 for today's meeting. The motion passed.

**LADY’S ISLAND PLAN IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE:**

Mr. Robert Merchant reported that the first meeting of the Lady’s Island Plan Implementation Committee (LIPIC) was held Thursday, November 7, 2019, at which time Mr. Allen Patterson, Lady’s Island resident, was appointed Chairman and Mr. Paul Butare, Lady’s Island Business and Professional Association, appointed Vice Chairman.

As a result of prioritizing the action items listed for implementation, three (3) working committees were initially established: Civic Engagement, Transportation, and Growth Management. Those committees were charged with reporting the status of action items currently being implemented and the strategy/timeline for addressing the remaining items. The Committee’s next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 5, 2019.

Additional implementation progress has been made in the following areas: restricting density for on-lot septic systems – 1<sup>st</sup> reading at Beaufort County Council scheduled for November 18, 2019, Fill Ordinance – Sea Level Rise Task Force finalizing ordinance draft, Sea Level Rise Overlay District – Task Force actively working on draft, LIPIC actively working with Beaufort County Engineering Department to coordinate development of sales tax projects on the island, development of website to improve public outreach, and working on LICP mission statement/structure.

Mr. Paul Sommerville shared his experience with members of the public contacting him and requesting to become members of the LIPIC, LICP, and NRPIC. Mayor Billy Keyserling stated that he viewed the NRPIC as the bridge between City and County Council and LIPIC/LICP and the public. He felt it was important for local officials to take ownership regarding issues / solutions and have the avenue to move the decisions to their respective Council level. He also suggested contacting The Island News and requesting a designated section to apprise the public of current developments. Mr. Joe DeVito confirmed that the NRPIC is a defined body with specific procedures in place regarding Committee membership and the annual appointment of Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Councilwoman Howard asked for confirmation regarding the correct progression for an Ordinance. Mr. Robert Merchant stated the following: Lady’s Island Plan Implementation Committee → Northern Regional Plan Implementation Committee → applicable jurisdictions. Mayor Keyserling noted that disclosure was the most important step in this progression, building a record of public education.

**STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION – 2020 PROJECTS:** Mayor Billy Keyserling commented on how quickly planning is changing and how the process involves much more than taking roads and infrastructure into consideration. Regarding Lady’s Island, it will be important to take a broader view of the original mission and prioritize locations when directing development.

Councilwoman Alice Howard suggested each Northern Regional Committee member bring “their” prioritized project list to the January 2020 NRPIC meeting for discussion. There is also a

need to review the language of the Northern Regional Plan document and make modifications as required to align with current planning needs.

**APPROVAL OF 2020 NORTHERN REGIONAL PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE:**

After discussion, Mayor Billy Keyserling made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ed Pappas, to hold formal approval of the 2020 Meeting Schedule until the Committee's next meeting in January 2020. The Committee may decide there is a legitimate need to meet more frequently than every other month. There was unanimous support for the motion.

**ROUND THE TABLE COMMENTS:** Mr. Ed Pappas asked for clarification regarding the Northern Regional Plan Implementation Committee Vice Chair position / BC Planning Commission appointee. Mayor Billy Keyserling explained the annual process of switching between the MPC Chairman and BC Planning Commission Chairman for the Chairman and Vice Chairman positions for the Northern Regional Plan Implementation Committee.

Mayor Billy Keyserling stated that now is the time to address future planning for the Spanish Moss Trail project. An updated vision involving the County and local municipalities would help create an incentive to keep everyone at the table, including the principal benefactor. Mr. Joe DeVito will provide the detailed graphic which depicts future development areas.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** The next regular meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 24, 2020, at 9:30 a.m., Executive Conference Room, Beaufort County Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, SC.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Chairman Mike Tomy adjourned the meeting at 10:47 a.m. There were no objections from Committee members.

## 2020 Meeting Schedule

### Northern BC Regional Plan Implementation Committee

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location *</u>
January 24, 2020	Friday	9:30 a.m.	Executive Conference Room, Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, SC
March 27, 2020	Friday	9:30 a.m.	Executive Conference Room, Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, SC
May 22, 2020	Friday	9:30 a.m.	Executive Conference Room, Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, SC
July 24, 2020	Friday	9:30 a.m.	Executive Conference Room, Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, SC
September 25, 2020	Friday	9:30 a.m.	Executive Conference Room, Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, SC
*November 20, 2020	Friday	9:30 a.m.	Executive Conference Room, Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, SC
*November 20 is the 3rd Friday of the month.			