CITY OF FOLLY BEACH
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Special Events Committee Meeting

9:00 AM
March 16, 2026 | 9:00 AM
21 Center St
Folly Beach SC, 29439

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
   a. February 23rd Minutes

3. **NEW BUSINESS**
   a. Folly Beach Wahine Classic
   b. LUNG FORCE 2026 Run/Walk
   c. Wedding with a Food Truck
   d. Best Day of the Month - RÃ–MANS Athletic Club
   e. Treasure Island Food Truck
   f. Surfers Healing
   g. Save the Light Half Marathon and 5k
   h. National Day of Prayer

4. **OTHER BUSINESS**

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

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PUBLIC NOTICE: ALL MEDIA AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES WERE NOTIFIED PURSUANT TO STATE LAW

Special Events Committee Meeting Minutes
February 23rdth, 2026

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

   a. Minutes from December 30th, 2025, were unanimously approved.

3. **NEW BUSINESS**

   a. Civic Club FamCamp Saturday, April 25-26

   The Folly Beach Civic Club will host the 6th Annual FamCamp at the county park. The organization has received approval from the County for use of the park space. The applicant and city staff will continue coordinating on safety and logistical planning.

   Applicant Requests:

   - Overnight camping on the beach
   - Use of a police officer during the event 6:00 PM-6:00 AM

   The Special Events Committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of the event.

   b. Family Plooza Sunday, June 14, 2026

   Folly Beach Baptist Church will host a family night event at Folly River Park. The event will include inflatables, music, and gas-powered grills. The applicant and City staff will continue working together on safety, logistics, and final approval for the use of gas grills. The Special Events Committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of the event.

   Applicant Request:

   - Exclusive use of Folly River Park

   The Special Events Committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of the event.

   c. Easter Promenade April 4th, 2026

   This event is included on the City's pre-approved event list and does not require full Council review. City staff will continue working with the applicant on logistical details related to safety.

   Applicant Requests:

   - Use of a Public Safety vehicle for traffic control
   - Use of a fire engine for public engagement

   The Special Events Committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of the event.

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4. **ADJOURNMENT**

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Main Contact	**Nicole Elko**
Organization (If applicable)	**Folly Beach Wahine Classic**
Address	403 East Huron Ave
Cell Phone	8433717082
Email	nicole@follywahine.com
Event Location (Physical Address or Nearest Beach Access	1550 Ashley Ave (The Washout)
Event Date	**July 25-26**
Beginning Time (including setup)	**7am**
End time (including breakdown)	**5pm**
Estimated Number of Attendees	**400**
Event Name	24th Annual Folly Beach Wahine Classic
Event Purpose	to share the strength of surfer women (wahines) of all ages and abilities through a fun weekend of surf competition, girl power, and camaraderie
Description of Event	With nearly 250 competitors and countless more families, fans and followers, Folly Beach Wahine Classic (FBWC) is the largest all-female surf contest on the East Coast and South Carolinaâ€™s only all-female surf contest!
Please list any vendors involved in your event(ALL VENDORS MUST HAVE BUSINESS LICENSE WITH CITY OF FOLLY BEACH	**TBD, vendors apply to FBWC and are notified of the requirement to have a business license** **We are requesting permission for vendors on the beach at the Washout.**

Main Contact	**Lindsay Bridges**
Address	1964 Ashley River Road, Suite B., #80338 Charleston, SC 29416
Cell Phone	6159729050
Email	lindsay.bridges@lung.org
Beginning Time (including setup)	**6:00 a.m.**
End time (including breakdown)	**11:00 a.m.**
Estimated Number of Attendees	**450**
Event Date	**10/17/2026**
Event Location	**The Dunes House at Folly Beach County Park**
Event Name	**LUNG FORCE 2026 Run/Walk**
Purpose of Event	LUNG FORCE brings the community together to stand for lung health and against lung cancer. We are so grateful for the opportunity to host this event at Folly Beach over the years with support from local residents and business owners. We are also thankful for the ban on smoking to help eliminate cigarette litter at Folly Beach. Info about our 2025 event can be found here: https://lungforceevents.lung.org/charlestonrunwalk
Description of Event	The LUNG FORCE Run/Walk is an annual fundraising event put on by the American Lung Association in South Carolina. We have been fortunate to hold this event at Folly Beach over the past 17 years. The last few years, we have held our Run/Walk at The Dunes House with participants running/walking on the beach. We are requesting to hold the race on the beach again this year, starting at the beach access at the Dunes House at Folly Beach County Park. Participants will have the

	option to run or walk in the direction of the Folly Beach Pier and turn around at the 5K halfway mark (approximately 1.55 miles), finishing at The Dunes House. The Dunes House will be used for tables to set up with lung disease resource materials, raffle, face painting, post-run stretching, awards and mission moment, and a grab and go breakfast.
List any Special Effects	None
Please list any vendors involved in your event(ALL VENDORS MUST HAVE BUSINESS LICENSE WITH CITY OF FOLLY BEACH	N/A

Main Contact	**J.R. Spencer**
Address	5040 Lancaster St North Charleston, SC 29405
Email Address	jrspencer91@gmail.com
Phone	4438624998
Owner Name	John Kenney
Date of Event	**Jun 6, 2026**
Event Location	**The Bounty Bar**
Start Time	**5:00p**
Ending Time (including breakdown)	**9:00p**
Purpose of Event	**Wedding reception**
Estimated Number of Attendees	**140**
Brief description of Event	Wedding reception which will include a food truck - we are hoping to reserve a parking spot in front of the bounty bar as well!
Are you requesting road closures?	No
Please list any vendors involved in your event(ALL VENDORS MUST HAVE BUSINESS LICENSE WITH CITY OF FOLLY BEACH	**Pizza da Michelino *(Food truck will provide food for guests- No Selling)***

Main Contact	**Kory Thomas**
Organization (If applicable)	**RÃ–MANS Athletic Club**
Address	Pop-Up Fitness Club, so N/A Registered Business Location: 865 Detyens Rd, Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina 29465
Cell Phone	540-986-5792
Email	korymthomas99@gmail.com
Event Location (Physical Address or Nearest Beach Access	**Beach (nearest beach access is Summer Place Lane -- or the tiny sand path just north of it)**
Event Date	**Every first Sunday (April 5 – Dec 6)**
Beginning Time (including setup)	**6:00am** (event starts at 6:30am, 30 minutes to setup)
End time (including breakdown)	**8:00am** (event ends at 7:30am, 30 minutes to breakdown)
Estimated Number of Attendees	0-25.
Event Name	**BEST DAY OF THE MONTH - RÃ–MANS Athletic Club**
Event Purpose	RÃ–MANS exists to build and strengthen a powerful, connected community in Charleston. Our mission is to create space for genuine relationships, shared effort, and personal growth. The Best Day of the Month at Folly Beach brings people together in a beautiful outdoor setting to slow down, move well, and connect â€" through guided intention-setting, a structured group workout, and an optional ocean plunge.
Description of Event	Best Day of the Month is our first-Sunday, co-ed community workout held at Folly Beach. This is our flagship monthly gathering. The event begins with a short welcome and intention-setting moment,

	followed by interactive team-based community games and a structured strength + endurance workout. Programming includes a mix of cardiovascular intervals and functional strength training using portable equipment such as kettlebells, sandbags, and cones. The workout is coach-led, organized, and contained within a defined footprint on the beach. All equipment is brought in and removed the same day. Participants park in public beach parking areas and are asked to bring water and workout attire suitable for sand and water. The event concludes with an optional brief ocean plunge. RÃ–MANS is not affiliated with any local gyms; we operate independently and maintain positive relationships within the Charleston fitness community.
Please list any vendors involved in your event(ALL VENDORS MUST HAVE BUSINESS LICENSE WITH CITY OF FOLLY BEACH	N/A

Main Contact	**Dawn Aldieri**
Address	1959 Folly Rd
Email Address	dawntreasureisland@yahoo.com
Phone	843 324 4636
Owner Name	Mordechai magia
Date of Event	Asap
Event Location	**1959 Folly Rd**
Start Time	**8am**
Ending Time (including breakdown)	**4pm**
Purpose of Event	**Food truck**
Estimated Number of Attendees	20
Brief description of Event	Looking to have another temporary exception so that we can have the food truck get started while we wait for the Zoning change to go through.
Are you requesting road closures?	No
Please list any vendors involved in your event(ALL VENDORS MUST HAVE BUSINESS LICENSE WITH CITY OF FOLLY BEACH	**Palomar fish tacos**

Main Contact	**Nancy Hussey**
Organization (If applicable)	**Surfers Healing**
Address	487 Planters Trace Drive, Charleston, South Carolina 29412
Cell Phone	8433434047
Email	surfershealingfolly@gmail.com
Event Location (Physical Address or Nearest Beach Access	On Folly Beach next to the Pier.
Event Date	**Wednesday, August 19, 2026**
Beginning Time (including setup)	**7am**
End time (including breakdown)	**3pm**
Estimated Number of Attendees	**Approximately 500**
Event Name	**Surfers Healing Folly Beach**
Event Purpose	To enrich the lives of families living with autism spectrum disorder by introducing them to the healing powers of the ocean. We take children with Autism tandem Surfing with professional Surfers from around the world. Itâ€™s one perfect day for a very special families. Everything is free for the families.
Description of Event	Families register online in a lottery to get a slot to surf with our team who comes to Folly Beach specifically for this event. Each child gets a free T-shirt, goodie bag, and families eat for free. We have a â€œresource fairâ€ where different therapy groups are available to interact and share information with the families.
Please list any vendors involved in your event(ALL VENDORS MUST	**N/A**

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Main Contact	**Allison Foster**
Organization (If applicable)	**Charleston County Parks**
Address	**861 Riverland Drive Charleston, SC 29412**
Cell Phone	**843-609-5184**
Email	**allison.foster@ccprc.com**
Event Location (Physical Address or Nearest Beach Access	Save the Light Half Marathon and 5k road race Start/Finish location in front of the Folly Beach Pier, 101 East Arctic
Event Date	**02/06/2027**
Beginning Time (including setup)	**5:00am**
End time (including breakdown)	**1:00pm**
Estimated Number of Attendees	**900**
Event Name	**Save the Light Half Marathon and 5k**
Event Purpose	Raise funds for the preservation of the Morris Island Light House (Save the Light, Inc.)
Description of Event	5k and half-marathon start/finish in front of Folly Beach Pier, 101 East Arctic. The course takes participants to the end of East Arctic, crossing onto East Ashley to the end of Lighthouse Inlet Heritage Preserve and returning via East Ashley crossing back onto East Arctic at 7th Street East. East Arctic in front of Folly Beach Pier is closed to traffic until the last participant crosses the finish.

Please list any vendors involved in your event(ALL VENDORS MUST HAVE BUSINESS LICENSE WITH CITY OF FOLLY BEACH	**no vendors**

Main Contact	Clark Carter
Address	Folly Beach Baptist Church, 77 Center Street
Cell Phone	8434786779
Email	dclarkcarter@gmail.com
Reservation Date	March 5, 2026
Beginning Time (including setup)	4 p.m.
End time (including breakdown)	9 p.m.
Estimated Number of Attendees	100
Event Date	May 7, 2026. Planning to start the event at 6 p.m.
Event Location	Folly River Park
Event Name	National Day of Prayer
Purpose of Event	Faith Community comes together to pray for our Nation.
Description of Event	This is a national event that we have been involved in for several year now. We hosted this event last year at Folly River Park at the same time - 6 p.m. We had about 60 people attend. We are planning to use a gas grill to cook hotdogs and maybe hamburgers. Probably have some potato chips, water, and soda. We want this event to be family friendly, so people can bring their families and eat after the event.
List any Special Effects	None
Please list any vendors involved in your event(ALL VENDORS MUST HAVE BUSINESS LICENSE WITH CITY OF FOLLY BEACH	No vendors.