CITY OF FOLLY BEACH
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Community Promotions Committee Meeting

July 13, 2026 | 5:00 PM
City Hall
21 Center Street
2nd Floor Council Chambers
Folly Beach, SC 29439

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
3. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**
4. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
5. **NEW BUSINESS**
   1. Folly Beach Historical Society
6. **OTHER BUSINESS**
7. **ADJOURNMENT**

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Members of the Community Promotions Committee

Heather O'Donnell, staff liaison

The Folly Beach Historical Society, a 501 (C) 3, is requesting support from the committee to sustain its work in the community and fulfill its mission to collect, archive, preserve and provide access to the rich history of the people and events on Folly Beach.

The FBHS has several community-based initiatives and is working in the community to achieve them, while involving as many residents as possible. Residents continue to work with us on our exhibits, provide material for our website and act as docents in our Museum. As our exhibits rotate, different groups of residents find themselves interested and involved in the Society. We are also actively engaged in recording "Folly Stories", video interviews with our residents and making them available for the community on our website, FollyBeachHistory.org. The history of Folly is mostly a history of its people.

We provide information on our community-based activities in the Sandspur as well and will soon be doing a column in the Folly Current for our local readers. We are currently working on an audio tour of significant sites around our island, many of which many residents don't know! We intend to make that available by QR code. Since opening the Museum last August (and we are only open 8-10 hours a week) we have had over 550 local visitors and a total of more than 1000.

Our exhibits open with a program for residents. At the opening for the first exhibit, Surfing on the Edge, we had 80, mostly local, people attend the opening and panel discussions.

The FBSH occasionally purchases significant artifacts related to our community. We are currently just at the start of cataloguing our archive, using an internet catalog system. Once our current museum exhibit, "Surfing on the Edge", is changed to the next, "Shifting Sands: Erosion and Renourishment on Folly", we would like to make a virtual version of the first exhibit and attach it to our website in case residents may have missed it. For that we use a different web creation program.

In order to sustain these efforts to preserve and document our community, the Society has several recurring expenses, from computer programs and equipment to storage and insurance and basic supplies.

We are requesting $3000 to help us sustain these efforts by partially funding these underlying necessities.

Thank you so much for your time and we would be happy to answer any questions at your July meeting.