CITY OF FOLLY BEACH
Chris Bizzell, Mayor

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Special Events Committee Meeting 9:00 AM
Monday, December 1, 2025

21 Center St
Folly Beach SC, 29439

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
3. **OLD BUSINESS**
4. **NEW BUSINESS**
   a. Meatball Drop
   b. MEG Hunt
5. **OTHER BUSINESS**
6. **ADJOURNMENT**

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Main Contact	**Matt Gardner**
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Email	mattgardner01@gmail.com
Reservation Date	**12/31/2025**
Beginning Time (including setup)	**11PM**
End time (including breakdown)	**12:05 AM**
Estimated Number of Attendees	unknown
Event Date	12/31/2025
Event Location	39 Center Street Folly Beach SC 29439
Event Name	**Meatball Drop**
Purpose of Event	Meatball Appreciation Day
Description of Event	The yearly short celebration of lowering a large meatball from the roof of Woody's Pizza to the sidewalk in front of the business.
List any Special Effects	**Extra lighting**
Please list any vendors involved in your event(ALL VENDORS MUST HAVE BUSINESS LICENSE WITH CITY OF FOLLY BEACH	none

Main Contact	**Ashby Gale**
Organization (If applicable)	Charleston Fossil Adventures
Address	3642 Savannah Hwy, Suite 116, #340, Johns Island, SC 29455
Cell Phone	8435349099
Email	chsfossiladventures@gmail.com
Event Location (Physical Address or Nearest Beach Access	**Folly Beach County Park**
Event Date	**April 11th, 2026**
Beginning Time (including setup)	**8:00 AM**
End time (including breakdown)	**1:30 PM**
Estimated Number of Attendees	**300**
Event Name	**7th Annual Easter Meg Hunt™**
Event Purpose	Fossil hunting has become a prevalent hobby on Folly Beach ever since the 2014 beach renourishment project. Charleston Fossil Adventures (CFA) and the Easter Meg Hunt focus on educating members of the public about the legal, ethical forms of fossil collecting in South Carolina, and how we can help protect this resource for years to come. Because of the shark teeth that can be found on Folly, the city has witnessed a new factor of eco-based tourism that draws more visitors to Folly Beach with each passing year. The winter months are in fact the BEST months for fossil collection along our SC shorelines, and through CFA's tours on Folly Beach, our clients tend to linger at the various gift shops and restaurants concluding their private tours.
Description of Event	The 7th Annual Easter Meg Hunt is a continuation of our extremely popular Easter

	egg hunt turned science fair project: Three age groups (4-6, 7-11, 12-17) will scour their respective plots of roped-off sand to find various fossils represented by the fossil deposit on Folly Beach, all yearning for a complete Megalodon tooth hidden within each plot of sand. Other prizes and gift certificates for tours are hidden in each of the three plots, with numerous shark teeth and bones to be found as well. This event is more than just another egg hunt, it's an opportunity to connect members from all over the Lowcountry with paleontology, and a different historical side of Folly. Representatives from The Charleston Museum, and the Charleston Center for Paleontology will be in attendance with booths and to assist in fossil identification. (No retail sales.) 10x10 pop up tents (adequately staked and weighted down) will be placed on the beach in a similar manner and footprint to last year's event. Following the event conclusion, CFA staff and volunteers will conduct a complete perimeter cleaning, sand smoothing, and any necessary cleaning measures to ensure the beach is returned to its normal conditions. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed having FBCP as the venue, and we are excited to return this year, pending approval! During the event we will use a PA system to deliver announcements and provide background music at a reasonable volume (provided by Stuckey Sound). We would also prefer to list 4/12/2026 as a rain date, if possible.
Please list any vendors involved in your event(ALL VENDORS MUST HAVE BUSINESS LICENSE WITH CITY OF FOLLY BEACH	No other vendors