Tom O'Rourke Report to Awendaw Town Council December 7<sup>th</sup> 2023

## Awendaw Municipal Park Awendaw Municipal Park Foundation

## Timeline

March 29, 2022 – Presentation to Council on a concept plan to manage the Awendaw Municipal Park.

Highlights of this presentation were as follows.

Working with Town Council;

1)Create a nonprofit organization to manage the park.

2)Create by-laws – for the foundation.

3)Select Board Members.

4) Retreat for Governing Board.

5) Work on their own effective May 1, 2023

## Previously Approved Action by Council

- June 2023
  - Name of organization Awendaw Municipal Park Foundation
  - Board of Directors will have between 5-11 members.
- July 2023
  - The Board will include the Awendaw Mayor, a staff member, and one council member to serve as ex-officio non-voting members. The Council member and staff member will serve one-year terms.
  - With a super majority vote of council and mayor (5 members,) can abolish the Foundations affiliation with the Town of Awendaw.
  - A member of the AMPF will present to the Awendaw Town Council a quarterly report of progress, finance, and an activity report.
- September 2023
  - AMPF By-Laws approved by Council.
  - Application for Board of Directors position was approved.

## Future work to complete.

- Applications accepted until December 31, 2023
- Board Positions appointed by Council at the January Council Meeting
- Retreat of Full Board in February 2024
- First full operating Board meeting in March of 2024

April 2024 – The Board is in full operation on their own.