



**ELECTION COMMITTEE TOWN HALL QUESTIONS
for: May 16, 2026 – Daniel Holmes**

How would you approach wildlife management, including deer, coyotes, alligators, turtles... What are your recommended changes to the current plan?

At this current time I do not have all the information regarding the current plan. With that in mind the wildlife on Fripp is one of the foundational pieces of life on Fripp. We do need to educate all residents and guests of the role that the wildlife play on Fripp and the ecosystem that exists. And a fair amount of that education should be paid to the dangers that exist with primarily alligators and coyotes in regards to human and/or pet interaction. I do think there is a high level of respect shown towards alligators. I am concerned with coyote activity on the island and where that could go if gone unchecked. How our community embraces and protects turtles is something that I think is a real asset to the island. Educating our youngest Frippers will go a long way in preserving this. One of the more memorable sights is watching hatchlings make their way down the beach and to the water.

What are your thoughts on how to educate and/or discipline people who disrespect our nature – wildlife, marshes, property, etc. Would you enforce our current rules/regulations to the maximum?

Discipline as a whole has to be embraced. The only people that have an issue with discipline are normally the people that break rules. Those few people, because clearly it is not the masses should be dealt with. We have to discourage people from acting outside of our laws/rules. Our Security Team needs to be supported by the POA. Wildlife on Fripp should be referring to nature not humans. We could actually develop that into a campaign.

What committees are of interest to you, and what are your top 3 priorities for Fripp Island?

Finance committee, Wildlife committee and FIR/POA committee. I'd like to utilize my business acumen for utilization of POA dollars. I'd look forward to increasing my knowledge of nature and wildlife on the island as it is currently limited so I can be of better assistance in protecting it. The relationship with FIR can always be improved upon. I believe that my hospitality background would be very valuable to the POA as well as the FIR Team.



How would you work with the current POA board to continue to improve services to the membership?

I believe that membership on Fripp's POA as well as membership to the FIR should be, in the entire Beaufort Region most coveted. What other areas such as Dataw, Harbor, Cat etc. offer cannot compare to what Fripp currently offers and will offer moving forward. Enhancing membership starts with looking at all things Fripp but then can easily translate to off island items/services. Fripp day at Beedo's, gallery crawl on Bay St as examples.

What specifically would you suggest the POA and the FIR collaborate upon to improve the island for all.

I do have many years in the hospitality field and because of this I have many opinions on FIR and their operations. I was motivated to join the POA Board so I didn't appear to just being a backseat driver. I do think FIR has improved in many, many areas. If the POA would organize itself more it would allow us to present productive, useful ideas to FIR that they may put into motion. So it starts with us. I suggest Town Hall meetings, email questionnaires, comment cards, maybe even an "idea hotline" that would allow us to hear from the masses. We have to figure out how to increase participation. It does not have to be in the form of our resident's time, that should be spent with family and hopefully on Fripp. What we do need is opinion and ideas. And not limited only to property owners. For those property owners that do rent perhaps feedback from their renters as well. Ideas can come from anywhere.

What prompted you to run for the POA Board? Why do you think you will be a good fit?

I was prompted to run for the Board because I am opinionated and want those opinions to be validated by participation. I also want the best for Fripp. I want to help where I can to protect and increase where we can, all that is valuable here on Fripp Island. Quality of life, preservation of nature, property values and our impact on the entire region.