# THE TOWN OF SWANSEA COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING JANUARY 23, 2023 6: OO P.M.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Mayor Viola McDaniel
Mayor Pro Tem Linda Butler
Councilman Michael Luongo
Councilwoman Doris Simmons
Councilman Jerome Williams

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Viola McDaniel at the Swansea Municipal Court, Room 320 West Third Street, Swansea SC.

All media notifications were sent out and the proper posting at town hall, the police department and the town website.

The town quorum was met by council for the general meeting, afterward a 20 second silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

The Mayor asked for a consideration to approve the minutes of December 12, 2022. Councilman Luongo presented a motion to accept the minutes with the necessary correction and second by Councilwoman Butler (minutes 1/23/2022 and Councilwoman Linda Butler).

The motion passed unanimously.

The mayor suggested an amendment of the Zoning Commission member from 3 to 5. She has more to volunteer and some members dropped out.

Motion presented by Councilwoman Butler to amend Zoning Commission members and second by Councilwoman Simmons.

Motion passed unanimously.

#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Chief Williams presented his report for the month of December 2022.

120 tickets, 1 accident report, 40 incident reports completed.

- Hot Sheet placed at Town Hall. If anyone know where these individuals are let him know, so they can take them to jail.
- Graphs of No. motor vehicles in the Collison Report; last 4 years; No. Shop lifters; Crimes against property, persons, No. tickets per year, case Numbers and etc.
- Dropped in burglary due to property checks with vacation checks.
- Spike in shop lifting due to policy implemented by Dollar General.
- Crimes against property from catalytic converters theft has come from one place G&G autos last year.
- He picked up a (Radar Trailer) from (1033) a 10,000 piece of equipment.
- Chief Williams has been accepted into the FBI Command College Law Enforcement course. He is one of 50 people out of 100 plus. This oneweek course is \$500.00.
- It will introduce Law Enforcement tactics used all over the world.
- He has completed every leadership class and this was the next step.

Councilwoman Butler recommended the cost for the FBI class, come from the town versus Chief Williams, as it was an honor for him and the town.

Councilman Luongo, asked Chief Williams if he had spent all the money in his budget.

Chief Williams indicated, he had not, therefore he was good to go.

### WATER AND SEWER REPORT

Kevin Houser shared his monthly activities report for the month of December He shared, the following:

• 17 Work order which consist of Re-reads, 1 Sewer back up and checks for leaks.

- Dial turning slow on the customers side is the customer. Town water is not metered.
- Processing Value Maintenance List.
- No Water breaks in month of December.
- Water loss in month of December 33,000.
- Fire Department 32,000 and Sewer machine 1000.

Councilwoman Simmons asked, if the meters were on a rotation after a certain number of years to be replaced

Kevin Houser indicated, there is not rotation on meters placed in 2010. However, if there is a problem, a profile on the meter is done. If it does not read the data, he replaces the meter. Life expectancy of the meters is from 8 to 10 years.

Councilwoman Simmons asked, if the same meters were being reread every month.

Kevin informed Councilwoman Simmons, the rereads were not the same every month.

Councilwoman Simmons had some concerns of a camper of 5<sup>th</sup> street behind the house and 321.

Chief Williams spoke to the trailer behind Speedy tire. He indicated the man is doing work in remodeling the trailer. No one lives there.

Councilwoman Butler asked, Kevin if he had to replace a meter. Does he replace everything.

Kevin stated in most cases only the antenna.

Councilman Luongo wanted an update on the David Spears building.

## **STREET MAINTAINCE**

Zachery Smith shared his monthly activities for the month of December.

The trees and lights were put up.

- There is still a number of yard debris.
- Some people abuse the privilege base on the amount being left.
- Leaves belong in bags.
- Nothing for spring. The Fountain is a must for the town.
- Waste management is to put only house hold garbage.

Councilwoman Simmons, wanted to know how many customers had their water cut off.

Councilman Luongo suggested they help Kevin and Zachary out by putting a flyer out to let the constituents to let them know the things that are required and how to identify leaks, items and size for Street Maintenance to minimize the confusion and or questions.

Councilman Luongo presented a motion to table the Executive Session and second by Councilwoman Simmons.

The motion passed unanimously

A motion presented by Councilman Luongo to adjourn and second by Councilman Williams.

The motion passed unanimously

Meeting adjourned

Respectively Submitted,

Margaret Harvey

Clerk Treasurer

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