

TOWN OF SWANSEA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 24, 2025
6:00 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Viola McDaniel at the Town of Swansea Municipal Court Room 320 West Third Street, Swansea SC 29160.

All media notifications were sent out and the agenda was posted at town hall, police department and the town's website.

The town had a quorum for the meeting. After which, council had a 20 second moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor asked if there was a motion to approved the minutes of the Special Call meeting of February 12, 2025 and the Regular meeting of February 24, 2025.

Councilman Luongo presented a motion to accept the minutes of both February 12, 2025 Special Call meeting; February 24, 2025 Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Williams. ***Motion Passed Unanimously.***

Mayor shared with Council they needed to table No. 6 on the agenda. Councilman Luongo made a motion to table the First Reading and Presentation on Local Hospitality Tax Ordinance. Motion seconded by Councilman Williams. ***Motion Passed Unanimously.***

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Wastewater side. We've had four backups, clogs, which is not uncommon this time of year, throughout the winter, two laterals and two services.

A follow up on the study, they are in the process of good, faith negotiations with Attorney Dickey and his colleagues about long, term agreement. They took the liberty, with your knowledge of applying for some state funding to get into that deadline of March the third thru fourteenth, whenever it was early this month, with both Rural Infrastructure Authority and the State Revolving Fund.

They also talked with state leaders; in addition to pursuing some additional assistance through local state delegation to see if there's a chance of getting into this, the second round of appropriation.

BOOKKEEPERS REPORT

Timothy Hillian shared with council his monthly report for February 2025. Revenue Expense Report - Statement of Cash and Debt. What was in the bank of cash this morning, and debt as of February for the two loans. USDA Loan and Truist Bank as well the interest paid on the loans.

There was nothing out of the ordinary for the monthly financial reporting.

POLICE REPORT

Chief William Charlton gave the town a report on his February monthly activities. He thanked mayor and council for their continued support for Swansea Police Department.

He provided an update on their efforts regarding compliance, resource management, staffing and community engagements.

- Submitted all necessary fingerprint and documentation to SLED for verification
- Obtained a quote from a second IT installer @ \$5000
- Drafted an amendment to the Police Department Ordinance

The Mayor asked for a motion to go into Executive Session. Motion presented by Councilman Williams and seconded by Councilman Luongo. ***Motion Passed Unaminously***

Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn from Executive Session. Motion made by Councilman Luongo and seconded by Councilman Williams. ***Motion Passed Unaminously.***

Mayor asked Council if there were any actions that came out of Executive Session. Councilman Luongo made a motion to advise and direct our Attorney to pursue the legal matter that was discussed in Executive Session. Motion seconded by Councilman Williams. ***Motion Passed Unaminously.***

Mayor want to know if there was a motion to adjourn. Councilman Luongo made the motion to adjourn and seconded by Councilman Williams.

Respectively Submitted,

Margaret Harvey
Clerk Treasurer
Town of Swansea

Time: 7:13 P.M.