

TOWN OF SWANSEA
COUNCIL
GENERAL MEETING
June 24, 2024
6:00 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

Mayor Viola McDaniel
Councilman Michael Luongo
Councilwoman Doris Simmons
Councilman Jerome Williams

ABSENT

Pro Tem Linda Butler

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

There were sufficient Council members in attendance; therefore, a quorum was met.

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

Council had a 20 second silent prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by all in attendance.

The mayor asked, if there was a consideration to approve the minutes of May 6th, May 15th and May 29, 2024. Councilwoman Simmons presented a motion to accept the two budget workshops and the general meetings. Motion second via Councilman Williams.

Motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilwoman Simmons shared Sugars Bakers Buffet had a nice grand opening as of June 7th at 4:30 serving its first supper.

In addition, John Sharp Sea Swan Café and Bistro to be opened in the next 2 months.

Mayor McDaniel stated the town celebrated Juneteenth the 15th of June, as it was hot and it rain a little with a bouncy house and a water slide tents and music. It was not a large crowd, but the people that came out had a good time. She thanked, council for their support for the event. The town is looking forward to a bigger and better celebration next year.

Mayor asked, if there was a consideration of a resolution to extend the Budget of 2023-2024 until August 30,2024. A motion for a conditional resolution to extended the budget was made via Councilwoman Simmons and second by Councilman Luongo.

Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Christine Keefer shared with Mayor and Council the following:

- Extended Budget prep schedule
- Recommended a 4thbudget workshop at the July 22 General Meeting.
- At the August meeting do the second and final reading.
- If another meeting is necessary Council can do that as well.
- Goal from workshop is to have a balance budget after which the town would have to advertise, a public hearing and vote on it.
- Town has a search committee reviewing Chief of Police applications.
- Audit for the Fiscal Year 2023 from Love and Bailey is ready to present findings at the July meeting, they are in agreement to come down.

BOOKKEEPER REPORT

Timothy Hillian shared the financials to Mayor and Council for the month of May 2024.

- YTD over month gave a comparison of Water @ 78%, Sewer @80% and Sanitation @ 106% YTD to current year.
- Statement of Cash Debt for water liability USDA loan and Truist loan.
- He also reviewed the Revenue and Expense Report.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Ty McComas gave the police department May monthly report.

- Issued 50 citations; 35 incident report and worked 5 accidents.
- Police department will partner with PULL for a Community back to school Bash on August 3rd in the Police department parking lot.
- John Rhinehart sent to the academy to finish his training for the SRO position with the Town of Swansea.

Councilman Williams shared on Saturday August 3rd was also Tax-Free weekend for Back to school as well.

WATER AND SEWER REPORT

The Mayor shared the following for the month of May:

- Undocumented meters are dude meters empty.
- The Lift Station sewer went down and Spicer was called.

Mayor asked, if there was a motion to adjourn to Executive Session.
Motion presented by Councilman Luongo and second by Councilman Williams.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

Mayor inquired, if there was a motion to come out of Executive Session.
Motion made by Councilwoman Simmons and second by Councilman Williams.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

Mayor indicated there were no actions taken while in Executive Session.

A motion was made by Councilman Luongo to authorize the Mayor to enter into a governmental agreement subject to any minor provisions to be approve with Joint Water. Motion second by Councilman Williams.

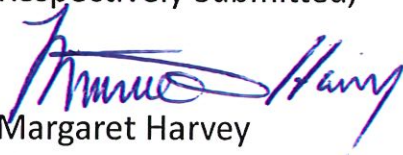
Motion Passed Unanimously.

Simmons presented a motion to adjourn and second by Councilman Williams.

Motion passed Unanimously

Meeting Adjourn

Respectively Submitted,



Margaret Harvey
Clerk Treasurer