

Town of Andrews

Regular Monthly Town Council Meeting

Thursday, September 20, 2018 6:00 p.m.

Sheriff's Substation

110 N Morgan Ave. Andrews, SC

The Town of Andrews met for their Monthly Town Council Meeting on Thursday, September 20, 2018. Mayor Frank McClary presiding in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation was rendered by Mayor Pro Tem Eddie Lee.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone present.

Town Officials Present:

Mayor Frank McClary

Mayor Pro Tem Eddie Lee

Council Member Terrance Middleton

Council Member Marva Session

Council Member Angela Anderson

Council Member Mack E. Watford Sr.

Mayor McClary announced that Council Member Bradley Prince absence tonight is due to a conflict with his work schedule.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Eddie Lee and seconded by Council Member Mack E. Watford, Sr. to approve the minutes from the Thursday, August 16, 2018 Town Council Meeting minutes as written. **Mayor Frank McClary; Yes, Mayor Pro Tem Eddie Lee; Yes, Council Member Mack E. Watford Sr.; Yes, Council Member Marva Session; Yes, Council Member Terrance Middleton; Yes, Council Member Angela Anderson; Yes, motion carried.**

Monthly Bank Statements

The monthly financial statements were included in the Council's packet for informational purposes only.

Financial Report

Mrs. Brenda Jackson, CPA for the Town of Andrews was not present. In her absence Town Council Members were presented with a month ending August 30, 2018 Budgeted versus Actual Revenues and Expenditures Financial Report for the Town of Andrews for review.

Citizens Comments

Mr. Martin Mays, Jr. resident of 208 N. Poplar Avenue thanked Mayor McClary and Mayor Pro Tem for their efforts and hard work on getting the ditches and drains cleaned in several troubled areas of the town. He personally recognized the difference the additional work made in playing a critical part

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towards homes along Magnolia and Tamarack Streets not experiencing the usual flooding that generally occurs when that area receives the amount of rain as it did during Hurricane Florence.

Mr. Gregory Bennett of the American Legion extended an invitation to all to come out and support the Andrews Veteran Day Parade and Ceremony on Saturday, November 3rd at 1:00 pm in honor of veterans, military members and their families.

Mr. Mike Rufus stood before Council to represents tenants of Tamarack Street. He stated that work has been done to help alleviate some of the flooding that citizens have been experiencing for years, however, the job is not completed. He understands that this not a quick fix but he would like to see the work continue as an effort to improve the lively hood of the residents.

Ms. Juanita Cook resident of 208 S. Tamarack Street voiced her concerns with flooding issues and the amount of work that still needs to be performed to improve the drainage problems in her community.

Mr. Samuel Marsh resident of 602 S. Poplar Avenue stood and thanked town officials for the service that was extended to them in an effort to dramatically decrease the drainage and flooding problems within his community, however he cautioned them that this is not a done deal; there is still work to be done.

Mike Crews resident of 502 S. Magnolia Ave thanked everyone for their efforts to help the citizens in his neighborhood with flooding issues; however, he believes there is still a lot of work to be done. He identified that this area has a sewer overflow problem. Mayor McClary informed Mr. Crews that Mr. Duncan and the public works employees will be out tomorrow to assess the sewer problem in section of town.

Administrator's Report

Ms. Dorsey announced that the CDBG Grant Project is officially closed. The town will be applying for an additional USDA grant funding that will provide for an electro scan of the towns sewer system, which will be utilized to identify inflow and infiltration into the sewer system, which will be addressed. In March of 2019 pre-applications will be submitted for CDBG and RIA's grant funding to address additional lift stations and well upgrades in town. Tonight the Andrews Youth Enhancement Committee will be meeting at 30 E. Main Street and everyone is invited to attend and offer insight on what this community needs to engage our youth. Council members were reminded to register with the Town Clerk by October 1st for the upcoming Advance MEO Training sponsored by the MASC on October 24th. Mr. Justin Duncan was introduced as the New Quality Assurance Manager of the Public Works Department. Ms. Dorsey thanked all first responders, town employees, officials and citizens for their efforts to ensure the safety of our citizens and town during Hurricane Florence. Mr. Barry and Mrs. Wendy Allen the owners and operators of the local Piggly Wiggly grocery store were recognized and presented with a plaque for their outstanding dedication to servicing the needs of the citizens of Andrews during Hurricane Florence as well as on a daily basis. They also provided hot meals to the National Guards Troops and to the

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employees of the Andrews Police Department. Mayor McClary also presented Ms. Terri Banier an Andrews resident, former soldier and current school teacher with a plaque for her unselfish services and support extended to the National Guard Troops and others. She provided clothing and comfort items at her own expense to many who were in shelters throughout Georgetown County during Hurricane Florence.

Council's (Sub – Division's Reports

Council Member Terrance Middleton: No, report. He extended thanks to everyone for their unselfish commitment and generosity extended to others during their recent time of need. He personally thanked Mr. and Mrs. Barry Allen, the employees of Piggly Wiggly and Ms. Terri Banier for their acts of kindness extended during Hurricane Florence.

Council Member Angela Anderson: Mrs. Anderson reminded the citizens to support the Helping Hands of Andrews. The organization is accepting food, clothing and monetary donations. She also stated that the local schools in the Andrews Community are in need of volunteers. She has volunteer applications that interested parties can complete to become a volunteer for the local Public School System. She thanked the citizens for coming out and taking an interest in Town Council meetings.

Council Member Mack E. Watford, Sr.: Mr. Watford extended his thanks to all who assisted with the safety and well being of the citizens of Andrews during Hurricane Florence. He encouraged all to practice helping and supporting each other in love, not only during emergency situations but strive to extend love every day.

Council Member Marva Session: No, report. However, she thanked all for all they have done to help everyone during Hurricane Florence.

Mayor Pro Tem Eddie Lee: Mr. Lee thanked Mayor McClary for his leadership during the Hurricane Florence. He stated that he attended a ground breaking ceremony on September 4th for the New Andrews Recreational Center. The plans for the Andrews Recreational Center will be similar to that in the Choppee Section of Georgetown County. The total cost of the new facility is 5.5 million dollars and construction is expected to be completed September 2019 by Hanco Construction of Pawley's Island S.C. This facility will also include an onsite location for the senior citizens of Andrews.

Fire Chief Robert Stamper: Mr. Stamper reported that the fire department responded to 27 calls during the month of August 2018. During the August 6th monthly fire drill the volunteers trained on the proper way to operate extrication saw.

Justin Duncan Public Works Assurance Quality Manager: He thanked all who offered their assistance throughout Hurricane Florence. He stated that he was out on the grounds and remained in the town through the storm making preparations, assisting citizens with sand bags and he also visited the residents in the flooded areas of the town during the storm making sure they all were safe. He thanked the sanitation crew for working extended hours and he noted that the entire staff was on call. He announced that Mondays and Tuesdays will be the primary trash collection days for the Town of Andrews.

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Mayor's Report

Mayor McClary welcomed Justin Duncan to the Town of Andrews Staff. Mr. Duncan is a residence of Andrews who has returned to this area to give back and to assist with the continued efforts to provide a high quality of life of all citizens. The Mayor thanked all of the first responders, town employees, staff and council members for their hard work and dedication throughout Hurricane Florence. He stated that we all should be on high alert for the after math of the Hurricane. Flooding is not expected to be a problem for Andrews but everyone is encouraged to stay tune and be cautious at all times. He encouraged prayer for the people who were severely affected by the hurricane. It was announced that a Hope Walk will be held on the October 8th in Charleston SC in support of victims of Domestic Violence.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Eddie Lee and seconded by Council Member Angela Anderson to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Town Council Meeting minutes submitted by Town Clerk Chaconas Parson.