

Town of Andrews
Council Meeting
Sheriff's Department Sub-Station Courtroom
110 North Morgan Avenue
Andrews, SC 29510
Thursday, December 19, 2013
6:00 PM

Amended Agenda

- I.** Call to Order
- II.** Invocation
- III.** Pledge of Allegiance
- IV.** Roll Call
- V.** Approval of Minutes: November 21, 2013
- VI.** Monthly Bank Statements: For information only
- VII.** Presentations:
 - Rosemary Middle School
 - Thomas Chapel AME Church
 - Nanci Conley, American Red Cross
- VIII.** Citizen Comments (Three (3) minutes only)
- IX.** Old Business
- X.** New Business
 - First Reading: Sale of Property to Butler Foundation
- XI.** Appearance(s):
 - Clarence Commander, Carolina Welding Training Institute
 - Wanda Charping, CPA: Accountant for the Town of Andrews
- XII.** Administrator's Report
- XIII.** Council's Report
- XIV.** Department Head Reports
- XV.** Mayor's Report
- XVI.** Executive Session
 - Legal matters:
 - Contractual Matters:
 - Personnel Matters
- XVII.** Adjourn

Town of Andrews

**Public Hearing/Regular Town Council Meeting
Thursday, December 19, 2013**

Sheriff's Substation

110 N Morgan Ave. Andrews, SC

The Town of Andrews met for their Monthly Town Council Meeting on Thursday December 21, 2013 at 6:00 pm. Mayor Rodney Giles presiding in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Invocation was rendered by Council Member Thomas Alford
Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone present.

Town Officials Present:

Council Member Angela Anderson
Council Member Thomas Alford
Council Member Mattie McGee
Council Member David Tisdale
Council Member Patsy Green
Council Member Sid Ackerman

After roll call, motion was made by Council Member Sid Ackerman and seconded by Council Member Patsy Greene to approve the minutes from the November 19, 2013 Council Meeting. Greene-Yes, Alford-Yes, McGee-Yes, Ackerman-Yes, Anderson-Yes, Tisdale-Yes, and Mayor Giles-Yes. All in favor, motion carried.

The monthly financial statement was included in the Council's packet for information purposes only.

Presentations

Presentations were made to 1st place and 1st runner up in our annual Christmas Parade. Presentations were as follows:

Thomas Chapel AME Church: 1st Place
Rosemary Middle School: 1st Runner up

The Town of Andrews thanked everyone for their participation and support during this holiday season.

Appearing before council

Karen Anderson and Nancy Conley representatives from the Red Cross addressed Mayor, Council and the citizens of Andrews about the services that are rendered under the Red Cross. Karen addressed the situation concerning fires in Andrews and surrounding areas, and she feels that the area needs more help from volunteers that will help educate the community on the dangers of fires. They will be hosting a free training in Andrews with the date and time to be determined. Encourage everyone to make a plan she insisted. Develop a partnership with the town and businesses to raise awareness. Reminder of the Christmas Eve dinner on December 24, 2013 from 12-2pm, everyone is invited.

Citizen Comments

Ben McGill appeared before mayor and council with a schedule of the MLK program. He stated that this will be a black tie affair, so dress accordingly. **Presentation:** Council members Thomas Alford and Sid Ackerman were both awarded plaques for their services and dedication to the Town of Andrews.

Old Business

No old business up for discussion

New Business

First reading of the sale of property to the Butler Foundation in regards to the 268 acres that the Town of Andrews currently own. Council member Sid Ackerman made a motion that we have the first reading as presented, council member Angela Ackerman seconded. Alford-Yes, Ackerman-Yes, Anderson-Yes, Tisdale-Yes, Greene-Yes. All in favor, motion carried.

Appearance(s)

Clarence Commander appeared before mayor and council stating that he has an up and coming welding school called Carolina Welding Training located at 828 S. Morgan Ave. Mr. Commander stated that it will be a 16 week training and very

possible job placement after initial certification. The cost of tuition is \$2800.00 and that includes materials etc. Mr. Commander asked the Town of possible sponsoring a welding machine for the school and the cost is \$550.00. Mr. Commander stated that the first day will be January 6, 2014. Mayor Giles stated that the town will contact him for further details.

Wanda Charping

Wanda Charping appeared before mayor and council stating that the expenditures are a little higher than normal, but nothing to be worried about at the moment. Ms. Charping continued that the volume charges are outrageous concerning Georgetown County Water & Sewer, but it was due to a lot of rain fall but it is something that needs attention if it keeps at this rate. She stated that we will definitely be making a transfer to water and sewer to cover the deficit.

Administrator's Report

Administrator Mauretta Dorsey stood before mayor and council in regards to the volume charges, she spoke with Will Cook who is the Waste Water Treatment Plant manager and he stated that due to all the rain water the volume charges will be higher. Mrs. Dorsey thanked everyone for their participation regarding the Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony it was greatly appreciated. Mrs. Dorsey gave a special thanks to our public works department for working together in getting things set up at Town Hall as well as on Main Street and other areas. Mrs. Dorsey stated that the Red Cross will be holding a training for its volunteers on January 25th at 1:00pm at the sheriffs sub-station located on Morgan Avenue. Mrs. Dorsey thanked everyone for their participation in the annual Christmas Parade, it was a success. Mrs. Dorsey stated that next month the Board of Zoning Appeals will begin their review of the town to address pending issues. The Planning Commission has since started their Comprehensive plan and review, where Mr. David Tisdale will be the X-Officio for the particular group. Mrs. Dorsey finished with thanking everyone for a good but trying year and we will move forward on a better and positive note with the upcoming New Year.

Council Report

Sid Ackerman stood before mayor and council stating that his years on council has not always been fun, but it has been well worth it over the years. He stated that

it has been an honor and a privilege to work with everyone.

Thomas Alford stood before mayor and council stating that he has enjoyed his 8 years on town council and if he has the opportunity he will do it again. He stated that he will not be on council but he will not stop working for the town and that he has the best interest of the town. Mr. Alford stated that he will always be accessible if need be.

Mattie McGee came before mayor and council stating that there have been \$100,000 appropriated for the needy from agencies such as Helping Hands and Waccamaw EOC. She stated that since partnering in Andrews they have helped numerous people. She stated that some people got help with utility, and gas bills for a period of up to a couple of months.

Patsy Greene stood before mayor and council thanking everyone for their participation with the tree lighting as well as the annual Christmas Parade.

Department Heads

Jackie Shaw stood before mayor and council thanking everyone for their patients with the pickup around town. He stated that we are at 75% of debris picked up around town.

Rob Stamper stood before mayor and council stated that not much is going on at the moment and that they are waiting on test scores to come back in.

Joseph Cooper stood before mayor and council stating that over the past couple of years the town of Andrews police department has been without the appropriate body armor. The Police department has since got 7 in and they are thankful because it is much needed. Chief Cooper stated that we have received 3 new SUV and 4 new patrol vehicles.

Mayors Report

Mayor Giles thanked the staff and everyone who played an important part with the Christmas tree lighting and parade.

Executive Session

Council Member Sid Ackerman made a motion to enter into Executive Session, the motion was seconded by Angela Anderson.

There was no decision rendered

Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned

Council Meeting minutes submitted by Keeya Cumbee