

**TOWN OF ANDREWS MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SUB-STATION COURTROOM**

110 NORTH MORGAN AVE.

ANDREWS, SC 29510

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2017 @ 6:00 PM

AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. INVOCATION**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 4. ROLL CALL**
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- 6. MONTHLY BANK STATEMENTS: FOR INFORMATION ONLY**
- 7. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Town Vehicles**
- 8. CITIZENS COMMENTS (Three (3) minutes only)**
- 9. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**
- 10. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**
- 11. COUNCIL'S (SUB - DIVISION'S REPORTS)**
- 12. MAYOR'S REPORT**
- 13. ADJOURNMENT**

Town of Andrews

Regular Monthly Town Council Meeting
Wednesday, March 15, 2017

Sheriff's Substation

110 N Morgan Ave. Andrews, SC

Invocation was rendered by David Tisdale
Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone present.

Town Officials Present:

Mayor Frank McClary
Council Member David Tisdale
Council Member Eddie Lee
Council Member Sudha Patel
Council Member Terrence Middleton
Council Member Marva Session
Council Member Mack E. Watford

After roll call, motion was made by Council Member Sudha Patel and seconded by Council Member Eddie Lee to approve the minutes from the February 16, 2017 Council Meeting . Mayor McClary asked for a roll call: **Mayor Frank McClary; Yes, Council Member Tisdale; Yes, Council Member Lee; Yes, Council Member Patel; Yes, Council Member Middleton; Yes, Council Member Session; Yes, Council Member Watford; Yes, All in favor, motion carried.**

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

Financial Report

Accountant Mrs. Brenda Jackson was not present at this meeting.

New Business

Town Vehicles

Mayor McClary stated to Council that a decision has to be made ASAP in regards to vehicles for Public Works. He continued, that the department currently has two vehicles that are operable and it really makes it hard for the employees to be transported to various job sites because of the lack of reliable transportation. Mayor McClary added that at the most three vehicles have been identified as being a must to be purchased for the department. He continued that the limit for purchasing the vehicles will be \$70,000.00 rather they are new or used.

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Motion was made by Council Member Sudha Patel and seconded by Council Member Eddie Lee to Lease, Purchase new or Pre-owned three vehicles for the Public Works Department with a \$70,000 cap or whatever is in the best interest of the Town. **Mayor McClary-Yes, Council Member Tisdale-Yes, Council Member Lee-Yes, Council Member Patel-Yes, Council Member Middleton-No, Council Member Session-Yes, Council Member Watford-Yes. All in favor, motion carried.**

Citizens Comments

Mr. Mike Rufus of 210 Tamarack St. came before Mayor and Council stating that the leak at the cemetery that has been ongoing is still an issue. He added that it appeared that someone tried to do some backfilling of the hole that the leak created but the problem needs to be repaired very soon. He continued that the drainage issue is still a problem as well. Mayor McClary added that he will go to the cemetery to check it out along with Council Member Lee.

Administrator's Report

Town Administrator Mrs. Dorsey stated that the RIA 2016: Economic Development Grant with Agru America in the amount of \$500,000 will soon start construction. The construction will begin in May of 2017 and will be completed in August 2017. The RIA 15 project is currently underway as scheduled even with some hang-ups in regards to locates etc. Mrs. Dorsey continued that in regards to the Setoff Debt Collection the town has collected \$16,048.52 as of this day in past due water bills. Lastly, Mrs. Dorsey stated that April is Fair Housing Month in which The Town has a responsibility of properly posting notices in this regard, and passing the annual Fair Housing Resolution on next month.

Department Heads Report

Chief Melvyn Garrett with the Police Department introduced to Mayor and Council Mr. Maurice Ponteau who has joined the force. Mr. Garrett stated that half of the APD officers have completed mandatory annual training as it relates to firearms qualifications and high-speed vehicle operations. The other half is scheduled for Thursday, March 16 2017. He added that from January-Present there have been a total of 17 burglaries, 20 assaults, and 43 arrests which includes warrants. In addition, the department has issued 115 citations, 16 accidents and has paid 800 hours of overtime. He ended by stating that the department is requesting 4 additional positions which would give a total of 13 officers. He stated that these additions would allow the APD and its divisions to function properly.

Public Works Supervisor Fred Sumpter addressed Mr. Rufus in regards to the cemetery and the action that they would take to get the problem rectified. He continued that maintenance to the elevated towers located on Elmwood and Magnolia have been completed as part of the maintenance agreement with Utility Services. Mr. Sumpter added that the department received about 20 sewer complaints and 10 water leak complaints since the last council meeting. Debris pickup started last Thursday with this day being the go to day for debris

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pickup. He ended by stating that the goal is to get more employees in the department as well as get them certified/qualified.

Council Member Watford stated that they have received 60 calls since the New Year came in which is pretty normal.

Council Report

Council Member Middleton: No Report

Council Member Sudha Patel: Ms. Patel raised the question of where is the Town of Andrews at County level in regards to the Capital Improvement Project. She also wanted to know what is the Towns input or plans regarding Capital Improvement at Town level. Mrs. Dorsey stated that there was supposed to be some revisiting of at least one facility and that it needs to be discussed in further detail at some point during the budget review process.

Council Member Session: Ms. Session wanted to thank the citizens and volunteers who helped out during the last community cleanup day.

Council Member Watford: Mr. Watford apologized about not being as available as he should be due to work demands.

Council Member Lee: Council Member Lee informed council about various projects that he has been a part of.

Council Member Tisdale: Mr. David thanked the various departments at the Town of Andrews for a job well done. He added that Pastor Hardee will be leaving and he will be missed as he was a definite asset to the Town.

Mayor's Report

Mayor McClary stated to Council Lee to invite Mr. Rufus to the meeting with Mr. Martin Harper as it pertains to drainage in the Town. He continued that in regards to the DHEC consent requirements, a letter was sent to them with updates as it relates to the Town and the corrective actions. Mayor McClary also stressed the importance of making sure that any leaks/spills are reported to DHEC in a timely fashion.

Adjournment

Council Member Eddie Lee made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Council Member Mack E. Watford seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

****Council Meeting minutes were submitted by Keena Cumbee****