

**TOWN OF ANDREWS
SPECIAL CALLED TOWN COUNCIL MEETING/BUDGET
WORKSHOP**

TOWN HALL / CONFERENCE ROOM

**101 N. MORGAN AVE
ANDREWS, SC 29510**

MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 2014 @ 2:00 PM

AGENDA

- 1) **INVOCATION**
- 2) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3) **ROLL CALL**
- 4) **NEW BUSINESS**
- 5) **OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. **DISCUSSION OF FY 2014-2015 BUDGET**
- 6) **ADJOURNMENT**

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Monday, August 18, 2014

2pm

Town Hall Courtroom

101 N Morgan Ave. Andrews, SC

The Town of Andrews met for a Special Called Town Council Meeting/ Budget Workshop on Monday, August 18, 2014 at 2:00 pm. Mayor Rodney Giles presiding in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, called the meeting to order at 2:10 pm.

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

Town Officials Present:

Mayor Rodney Giles
Council Member Patsy Greene
Council Member Eddie Lee
Council Member Mattie McGee
Council Member Sudha Patel
Council Member David Tisdale

New Business

Mayor Rodney Giles presented a proposal from Mr. Wilson Rouse to purchase the property located at 100 W. Main Street for the amount of \$2000.00. He agrees to purchase the property in a "as is" state. Following a discussion of the subject Council agreed to table the discussion on the sale of the property located at 100 W. Main Street until they receive an appraisal of the said property.

Old Business

Veteran's Association MOU: Mayor Giles stated that he had spoken to Mr. Thomas Alford a representative for the Veteran's Association and Mr. Alford informed him that the Association has been unable to obtain general liability insurance for the Railroad Bed Property where they plan to construct the Veteran's Memorial Park because no construction has been completed and it's just an empty lot. Council discussed this matter with their attorney Mr. Carter and following this discussion Council agreed to have Mr. Carter to rewrite and amend their agreement with the Veteran's Association to state that the Town will be responsible for general liability coverage on the said property until the Veteran's Association places or completes their construction to the required state which will allow the Association to obtain their own general liability insurance. Once the Association assumes the responsibility of providing general liability insurance they will continue to do so thereafter or until the agreement between the Association and the Town is resolved.

Marketing Mail Advertising: Council Member Sudha Patel stated that she has completed a test run of her advertising plan with the Billing Machine in the Water Department. Ms. Patel informed Council of the advantages associated with her project. The Town stands to gain some revenue from Business Owners who elect to use this tool as a means of advertising for their businesses within the Town. The Business Owners will have to pay a fee to the Town for this service. The Business Owners will be required to prepare their advertisements on the required paper and provide all inserts in a ready to mail state to the Town by the required deadline. The contract fee will have to be set to an amount that will cover all overhead charges to the Town associated with providing this service. Council Member Patel stated that she just wanted to inform Mayor and Council that she has completed a test trial with the billing machine at Town Hall and that this idea can be discussed in more detail at a later date.

Land Sale: Council Member Lee informed Council that he had a conversation with Mrs. Roberta Gray and that she is willing to sign the necessary paperwork stating that her judgment against the Town of Andrews has been satisfied and she is

releasing the Town of any obligations to her providing that Mr. Carter can re writes the paper work in a more simplified language that she can fully understand. Mr. Lee stated that at the discretion of Mayor and Council he will contact Mrs. Gray and see if and when she will be available to me with him and Mr. Carter to sign the proper paper work and bring this matter to a close.

Fiscal Year 2015 Budget: Mayor Giles stated that he has met with Departments heads and worked with Ms. Wanda Charping the Town's CPA and he has put together a balanced budget. He also stated that the proposed balance budget will eliminate two positions in the Water Department. He suggested that they eliminate the last two people who were hired. By eliminating Mrs. Elethia Davis and Mr. Larry Blackstock the last two hired in the water department would save the Town \$48,960.00. Ms. Davis annual salary is \$19,240.00 plus \$6,000.00 for health care. Mr. Blackstock annual salary is \$18,720.00 plus \$6,000.00 for health care. Mayor Giles also stated that Chief Capers eliminated \$71,792.20 from the police department's budget. The volume charges for the City of Georgetown and Georgetown County were reviewed and they were adjusted to the same figures that they were last year. The idea of three employees going to part time status was reviewed, however, it would cause a \$6,000.00 to \$7,000.00 increase in the budget. Council agreed to hold the a public hearing and second reading of the FY 2014-2015 budget at their next council meeting.

The motion was made by Council Member Eddie Lee and seconded by Council Member Patsy Greene to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 pm.

Council Meeting minutes submitted by Chaconas Parson.