

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

110 NORTH MORGAN AVE.

ANDREWS, SC 29510

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 2014 @ 6:00 PM

AGENDA

- 1. INVOCATION**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. ROLL CALL**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- 5. MONTHLY BANK STATEMENTS: FOR INFORMATION ONLY**
- 6. CITIZENS COMMENTS (THREE (3) MINUTES ONLY)**
- 7. APPEARANCE(S):**
 - Wanda Charping, CPA: Accountant for the Town of Andrews
- 8. NEW BUSINESS**
 - First Reading 2014 Proposed Budget
- 9. OLD BUSINESS**
 - Continuing Resolution for Fiscal Year 2014-2015
- 10. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**
- 11. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**
- 12. MAYOR'S REPORT**
- 13. ADJOURNMENT**

Town of Andrews

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Thursday, August 21, 2014

6:00 pm

Sheriff's Substation

110 N Morgan Ave. Andrews, SC

The Town of Andrews met for their Monthly Town Council Meeting on Thursday, August 21, 2014 at 6:00 pm. Mayor Rodney Giles presiding in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm.

Invocation was rendered by Chief Kaynnera Capers
Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone present.

Town Officials Present:

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

Motion was made by Council Member David Tisdale and seconded by Council Member Eddie Lee to approve the minutes from the July 17, 2014 Council Meeting with the necessary corrections. All in favor, motion carried.

The monthly financial statements were included in the Councils' packet for information purposes only.

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Citizens Comments

There were no citizen's comments.

Special Recognitions

A Shining Star Award was presented to Dr. Deshawn Rouse from Spirit Filled Ambassadors for Christ Church in recognition for their donation of eighteen trees towards the beautification of the Town of Andrews. In addition, the Summer Series volunteers were presented with a Shining Star Award for their dedication and hard work during the 2014 Summer Series Events.

New Business

The motion was made by Council Member David Tisdale and seconded by Council Member Eddie Lee to move forward with the first reading of the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Proposed Budget. **Council Member Mattie McGee; Yes, Council Member Eddie Lee; Yes, Council Member Sudha Patel; No, Council Member Angela Anderson; No, Council Member David Tisdale; Yes, Council Member Patsy Greene; No, Mayor Giles; Yes. Motion carried.**

Old Business

The motion was made by Council Member Sudha Patel and seconded by Council Member Angela Anderson that Council pass a Continuing Resolution for the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Proposed Budget. **Council Member Mattie McGee; Yes, Council Member Eddie Lee; Yes, Council Member Sudha Patel; Yes, Council Member Angela Anderson; Yes, Council Member David Tisdale; Yes, Council Member Patsy Greene; Yes, Mayor Giles; Yes. Motion carried.**

Appearance (s)

Wanda Charping the Town's Accountant was not present at the meeting.

Administrator's Report

The Town's Administrator Mauretta Dorsey reported the status on repairs to well #3: She stated that the town is in compliance with the deadline set by SC DHEC and are now awaiting final approval of water samples before the well can be in operation. After well #3 is online and running then repair work will begin on well #4 and hopefully it will be completed by the end of September 2014 pending the approval of SC DEHEC. Mrs. Dorsey presented to Council a list of addresses of properties located throughout the Town where issues and code violations are of concern. The list was generated by Safe Built and includes property concerns from May 2014 to present. The list details the property owners who have been sent letters, as well as those who have responded and who are complying with the code violation concerns. Mrs. Dorsey announced that Waccamaw Regional Council of Government has a ride assistance program for the elderly who may be in need of a ride to their doctor appointments, grocery store, the pharmacy, and things of that nature. Mrs. Dorsey stated that the Town of Andrews will be turning 105 years old on September 30, 2014. The Town is planning a celebration for this milestone on Saturday, September 27, 2014. A planning committee meeting will be held at Town Hall on Thursday, August 28, 2014 at 5:30pm to plan the activities for the Town's 105 Anniversary Celebration.

Council's Report

Council Member Angela Anderson thanked everyone who worked to help make the summer series event a success.

Council Member David Tisdale encouraged all citizens to find out all the information that they can about the 1% sales tax that will be on the upcoming voting ballot in November so that they will make an informative vote in November.

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Council Member Sudha Patel gave special recognition to Chief Capers, Town Employees, Attorney Carter and the summer series volunteers for all of their support and hard work to make the Town a better place. Ms. Patel thanked the business owners for their presence throughout the Town and helping to rebuild the Town. Ms. Patel thanked Pastor Deshawn Rouse and Spirit Filled Ambassadors for Christ Church for their donations of trees to the Town and she thanked Pastor Hardee for always lending a helping hand in various capacities. Ms. Patel encouraged Mayor and Council to establish committees to help work on issues that will help the town operate more efficiently. Ms. Patel stated that on September 5, 2014 a professional landscape designer, Mr. Bill Eubanks will be in town to conduct a free onsite visit from Atlantic Architect based out of Charleston, SC. Ms. Patel informed Mayor and Council that her Marketing Plan is ready to go and that she will prepare a final presentation for Mayor and Council to view and to seek their approval on at a later date. She encouraged Mayor and Council to take a look at some of the unused and abandoned buildings throughout the Town. Ms. Patel insisted that some of the buildings or spaces can be used by businesses who would like to have a presence in the Town of Andrews. She also announced that Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Commander has started The Carolina Training Welding Institute and hopefully it will have a positive impact to the Towns economic development. She gave recognition to Mr. Don Parsons for his hard work to raise funds to cover the cost for his karate school.

Council Member Eddie Lee thanked all of the Town employees for their hard work and for doing an excellent job. He stated to the citizens that he is here to serve them and if they have any concerns please do not hesitate to call upon him.

Council Member Angela Anderson asked Ms. Patel to elaborate on the purposes of the committees that she stated should be formed by Mayor and Council. Ms. Patel replied that the subcommittees would help Town Hall function more efficiently and effectively. Ms. Patel stated that these committees would meet on a regular basis, do research and come together at the table and make sound and informed decisions.

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Council Member Greene thanked all for their help with the End of School Fest, Summer Series Events and Back to School Festival. She also encouraged the entire community to come together and do what needs to be done to make Andrews a better Town in which to live.

Department Reports

Robert Stamper stated that the Fire Department will be out performing maintenance on fire hydrants over the Town and for citizens not to be alarm if they see them in their neighborhoods. Mr. Stamper voiced his concern with issues that pertains to the condition of the Fire Station room located at Town Hall which is in need of repair and maintenance.

Mr. Thomas Alford stated that in November on the voting ballet will be a 1% sales tax referendum and this will allow Andrews an opportunity to receive some funding to propose a new Fire Department, EMS and Police Department. This 1% referendum will only last for four years and the Town of Andrews is number three to receive funding.

Randy Cooper thanked the citizens for being patient with Public Works during the period of low water pressure over the Town due to a well not in operation. Mr. Cooper stated that they will hopefully have well #3 up and running soon. He informed the citizens that the delay of the public works department in regards to picking up debris is mainly due to the fact that their limb truck is in the shop having some repair and maintenance performed but hopefully the department will be back on route Monday picking up debris.

Chief Kaynnera Capers stated that Timothy Taylor has moved on to the city of Atlantic Beach, SC as their new chief of police and he wishes him much success. Chief Capers stated that they have already identified a replacement for Mr. Taylor's position within the Andrews Police Department. He announced that next Thursday they will be partnering with Agape Hospice in celebrating National Senior Citizens Day. Chief Capers stated that starting in September he will be having lunch at our schools on Fridays with a different grade level each Friday to

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help make his presence known. He stated that the officers within the police department has been undergoing training and will continue to do so to help increase productivity and to boost morale within the department.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Rodney Giles announced that on Sunday, September 7, 2014 there will be 9-11 Service at the Andrews Pavilion to recognize Emergency Workers from the Fire Department, EMS, and Police Department at 4pm. He stated that the Town has been advertising for a Public Works Director for several weeks. Mayor Giles laid out his plan to update each department one by one and he stated that the Public Works Department is next to be updated with funds from the next bond that the Town will apply for in the near future. Recognition was made to two young ladies Raven Giles and Whitney Garrett with certificates for doing an excellent job representing Andrews while attending the Palmetto American Legion Girls State. Mayor Gils thanked Lieutenant Governor Yancey McGill for blessing the town of Andrews with \$11,000.00 to bless other entities. The funds were distributed among the Boy Scouts, Veterans Association, Seniors Citizens, NAACP, Back to School Fest, End of School Fest, Love Faith and Fitness Center and Sesseu Martial Arts School.

Adjournment

Council Member Angela Anderson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm and was seconded by Council Member Patsy Greene.

Council Meeting minutes submitted by Chaconas Parson, Town Clerk.