

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

110 NORTH MORGAN AVE.

ANDREWS, SC 29510

THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2015 @ 6:00 PM

AGENDA

- A. INVOCATION**
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- C. ROLL CALL**
- D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- E. MONTHLY BANK STATEMENTS: FOR INFORMATION ONLY**
- F. CITIZENS COMMENTS (THREE (3) MINUTES ONLY)**
- G. NEW BUSINESS**
 - 1) CDBG Matching Funds Resolution
 - 2) 1st Reading: Ordinance Number 2015-02 Plurality Vote
- H. OLD BUSINESS**
- I. APPEARANCE(S):**
 - 1) Wanda Charping, CPA: Accountant for the Town of Andrews
- J. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**
- K. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**
- L. COUNCIL'S REPORT**
- M. MAYOR'S REPORT**
- N. ADJOURNMENT**

Town of Andrews

**Monthly Town Council Meeting
Thursday, March 19, 2015
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, March 19, 2015 at 6:00 pm. Mayor Rodney Giles presiding in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Invocation was rendered by Mayor Rodney Giles
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 Eddie Lee

Motion was made by Council Member Eddie Lee and seconded by Council Member Patsy Greene to approve the minutes from the February 19, 2015 Council Meeting with the necessary corrections. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Giles announced that the agenda will be amended to add an Executive Session to discuss a contractual matter.

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

Citizens Comments

There were no citizen's comments.

New Business

The motion was made by Council Member David Tisdale and seconded by Council Member Eddie Lee to approve the CDBG Matching Funds Resolution. **Council Member 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.**

The motion was made by Council Member Mattie McGee and seconded by Council Member Patsy Greene to approve the first reading of Ordinance Number 2015-2 Plurality Vote. **Council Member McGee; Yes, Council Member Eddie Lee; No, 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.**

Old Business

There was no Old Business for discussion.

Appearance (s)

Mr. Cameron Morris appeared before council and presented his Eagle Scout Project. Mr. Morris asked council to donate 5 trash carts which he will construct receptacles for and place in the Andrews Cemetery so citizens will have a place to put their old flowers and limb debris. Mr. Morris is also going to clean up along the fence in the cemetery and remove all trash and debris as part of his project. Mr. Morris will cover the cost associated with building the necessary receptacles

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and the Town employees will be responsible for emptying the trash cans on their trash route.

Wanda Charping the Town's Accountant stated that the Town's general fund account has a deficit of \$41,000.00 due to \$234,880.00 of transfers from general fund account to water and sewer account. However, additional funds are expected to be received by the end of June 2015 in the amount of \$600,000.00 from telecommunication taxes, insurance taxes and franchise fees. Ms. Charping reminded council that \$260,000.00 of the proceeds from the land sale is pertinent to the balancing of the current fiscal year budget.

Administrator's Report

The Town's Administrator Mauretta Dorsey stated that the Town has submitted a grant application request in the amount of \$725,400.00 for CDBG Matching Funds and the request has been accepted and the Town is in a position to move forward with a request for funds. On Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at 5pm the Town held a Needs Assessment Public Hearing which was a qualifying factor for the funding and the turnout of citizens was significant. Mrs. Dorsey encouraged all citizens to come by Town Hall to complete a Needs Assessment Survey so that the surveys may be submitted as part of the grant application process.

Mrs. Dorsey stated that in regards to the 1% sales referendum the Town is working to position itself to receive these funds which will aid the fire and police departments with funding for their new facilities. Mrs. Dorsey informed council that the land sale is expected to be closed by Thursday; March 26, 2014 after the Nature Conservancy resolved some issues on their behalf. The Town of Andrews has recently applied for a predevelopment grant in the mount of \$30,000.00 that will be used to purchase maps of the Town's water and sewer systems. The maps of the water and sewer systems will be very beneficial when the Town applies for USDA funding. The Town will know by May 1, 2015 if the application has been accepted and approved. The Town will also be applying for community facility

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grants which funds can be used to purchase equipment for the Public Works Department.

Mrs. Dorsey presented council with a proclamation to review and sign that will be presented to Ms. Jekayln Carr on Sunday, March 22, 2015 at an event at Spirit Filled Ambassadors for Christ Church.

Department Head Reports

Fire Department: Rob Stamper stated that the department is preparing for their annual pump test on the fire truck which will take place on next week and all firemen will be taking their required physical next month

Public Works Department: No one present for Public Works to make a report.

Police Department: Chief Capers reported that the Andrews Police Department will be helping to provide security for Ms. Jekayln Carr a National Recording Artist who will be in Andrews on Sunday, March 22, 2015 at Spirit Filled Ambassadors for Christ Church. Sled will be providing Andrews with a couple of tag readers within the next 30 to 45 days. These tag readers will not only be recording tag numbers but also monitoring speed. The Andrews Police Department will be taking part in a couple of Career Fairs at Andrews Elementary and Brownsferry Elementary Schools. The department will also be providing Easter treats at some of the local schools on April 2, 2015. Chief Capers stated that the Boy Scouts will be taking a trip this summer to Camp Daniel Boom and he has secured a van for them to travel by at no cost to the Boy Scouts and he will personally contribute \$100.00 towards the gas for the van. Chief Capers informed Council that the Andrews Police Department has applied for a Jag Grant in the

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Mr. Lee thanked all of the Town employees for doing an excellent job. He stated that he has met with a representative from public works in reference to Pope Street and the issue with standing water in the ditches and they will be working to resolve that issue. Mr. Lee has a meeting scheduled for tomorrow with Mr. Richard Pope of DOT to see what can be done to repair some of the pot holes in the roads of Andrews. Mr. Lee gave his support to the Boy Scouts in receiving the five trash carts they have requested from the Town.

Council Member Sudha Patel stated that she and the Fire Department had a nice meeting in which they discussed the design for a New Municipal Complex and they have a second meeting scheduled for March 31, 2015 at the Andrews Library at 5:30 pm and this meeting is also extended to the Police Department. Ms. Patel stated that she is planning for the Andrews Heritage Feasible and what the committee is planning to do is to duplicate the Good Ole Days. She will be sponsoring an event planner Ms. Shanna Scott. This festival will be held on May 8-9, 2015 and it may turn in to a weeklong event with various forms of entertainment to help boost the Town's economy. Ms. Patel voiced her concerns with the MASC annual meetings mainly with the upcoming meeting that will be held in Hilton Head. The meeting in Hilton Head will be very costly and she encouraged Mayor and Council to think hard about this before making any final decisions on attending. Ms. Patel present a certificate of appreciation to Mauretta Dorsey the Town's Administrator for a job well done thus far.

Council Member Patsy Greene thanked everyone for their hard work that they are doing for the Town of Andrews. She stated how important grants are to the Town and encouraged everyone to be patient and work hard to assist the Town during the grant application process.

Council Member David Tisdale thanked the Mayor for inviting the two waste management companies for coming and presenting a presentation to council. Mr. Tisdale made a proposal to council that they consider going to trash pickup once a week on a permanent basis to free up public works employees to help locate, repair water leak and to keep an eye on the wells.