

**TOWN OF SWANSEA
COUNCIL
GENERAL MEETING
JANUARY 25, 2022**

ATTENDANCE

Mayor Viola McDaniel
Mayor Pro Tem Linda Butler
Councilman Michael Luongo
Councilwoman Doris Simmons
Councilman Jerome Williams

The Swansea Town Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Viola McDaniel at 6:12 A.M. at 320 West Third Street in Swansea SC. All media notifications went out and posting at town hall, the police department and the town website.

Council recited the pledge of Allegiance.

The mayor open the floor for discussion of the budget she was commission and charged with to do for the Town of Swansea by council. The conversation ranged from employer taxes, profit and loss statements to gross payroll taxes versus not.

Mayor agreed to revisit the budget to make some changes, however the total amounts will not change in expenses and gross revenue income.

Mayor McDaniel, shared she is the present for council not the past.

The budget still needs to be done for 2021-2022 the prior year.

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During the discussion Mayor admonish Alberta Watson for her outbursts during the budget discussion with Council. Mayor asked, Councilman Luongo not to address her questions as she was not a resident of the town.

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Mayor McDaniel requested, Chief Earl Williams to remove Alberta Watson from the council meeting.

Councilwoman Butler presented a motion to amend the agenda to add the First Reading and second by Councilman Williams. The agenda was amended and the votes were cast. Councils Luongo (No), Williams (Yes), Butler (Yes) and McDaniel (Yes).

Mayor McDaniel said they need to get a budget and move on. The Town of Swansea has bigger issues than the budget.

Councilwoman Butler reiterated on the budget, Mayor McDaniel can do the budget, and council agreed on her taking on that task.