

**TOWN OF SWANSEA  
COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING  
MARCH 21, 2022**

**ATTENDANCE**

Mayor Viola McDaniel  
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 6:00 P.M. at 320 West Third Street in Swansea SC. All media notifications went out and the postings were put at town hall, the police department and the town website.

The Mayor offered silent prayer prior to starting the meeting. Afterward, the pledge of allegiance was recited.

The Mayor asked for a consideration to approve the minutes. She stated, we will do this in two parts. The first minutes we are going to approve are the minutes of February 23<sup>rd</sup> and March 14<sup>th</sup>. Do we have a motion for the consideration for approval these two dates? Councilwoman Simmons presented a motion to accept the minutes of February 23<sup>rd</sup> and March 14<sup>th</sup>. The motion was second by Councilwoman Butler. Mayor asked, if there were any questions about the minutes? Mayor asked for a vote. Roll Call: Councils Luongo (Yes), Williams (Yes). Butler (Yes) Simmons (Yes) and Mayor McDaniel (Yes). The vote was unanimous.

Mayor, the next one will be two parts because we have an attachment that wants to be added to the minutes of February 22<sup>nd</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Mayor, we are going to go ahead and approve those two minutes and then go back and approve the attachments. So can, I get a consideration for the first one to approve the minutes for February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Councilman Williams, presented a motion to approve the minutes of February 22<sup>nd</sup> and it was second by Councilwoman Butler.

Mayor asked if there were any questions. Since there were no questions, Mayor asked for a vote. Roll Call: Council's Luongo (Yes), Williams (Yes), Butler (Yes) Mayor McDaniel (Yes). The vote was unanimous.

Mayor, now we will go back to the attachment. a request to have it added to the minutes of February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Do we have any considerations to have the attachment added to the minutes of February 22<sup>nd</sup>?

Councilwoman Simmons, made a motion to have the attachments added to the minutes of February 22<sup>nd</sup> and second by Councilman Williams.

Mayor asked, if there were any questions about the attachments. She then asked for a vote. Councils Luongo (Yes), Butler (No), Simmons (Yes), Williams (No), Mayor McDaniel (No). 3 (No's) and 2(Yes).

Mayor, the next one will be for the consideration for approval for the minutes of March 1<sup>st</sup>. without the attachments for right now. Councilwoman Butler presented a motion to approve the minutes of March 1<sup>st</sup> and second by Councilwoman Simmons. Mayor, do we have any questions about the minutes? Mayor asked for a vote.

Roll Call: Council's Luongo (Yes), Williams (Yes), Butler (Yes), Simmons (Yes), McDaniel (Yes). The vote is unanimous for the minutes.

Mayor, and now for the attachments. Can we get a motion for the attachments to the March 1 minutes? Councilwoman Simmons, presented a motion to accept the attachments to the minutes.

Mayor, do we have a second? We do not have a second? The motion is killed for the attachments, because we do not have a second.

Clerk Treasurer, let us take a vote of what was presented. Council, you can't do it without a second; and Clerk Treasurer the motion does not carry.

Simmons discussion, I am just curious, why is the attachments not with the minutes.

Mayor, Doris we have already pass that...not this one.

A Resolution present for an extension of the 20-21 budget about to run out to June 30, 2022. Councilwoman Butler, made a motion to extend the 20-21 budget until June 30,2022. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> via Councilman Williams.

Mayor It was moved and second to extend the budget. Do we have any discussion? Roll Call: Luongo (Yes), Williams (Yes), Butler (Yes), Simmons (Yes) and McDaniel (Yes) the motion carried.

Mayor presented a resolution for a holiday for Juneteenth as of June 19, 2023. The motion was presented via Councilwoman Butler and second by Councilman Williams. There was no discussion. Roll Call: Council's Luongo (Yes), Williams (Yes) Butler (Yes), Simmons (Yes) McDaniel (Yes). Motion Carried.

### **WATER DEPARTMENT**

Kevin Houser submitted his monthly activities report in writing to council.

### **STREET MAINTENANCE**

Zachary Smith submitted his monthly activities report in writing to council.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Chief Williams reported his February monthly activities with 113 Tickets, 8 traffic accident reports, with 51 additional.

- The flyer of the Juvenile runaway, still looking for him.
- They had a shooting on 1800 South Bound Road, is still be investigated.
- Municipal Grant will give a 50%/cash return on any equipment purchased until the end of the year.
- Will host a Swansea clean up day on 4/30/2022; Rain Day of May 7, 2022.
- The guys doing Community Service will still be out there but on 321.

- Community organizations will assist such as P.U.L.L. and Palmetto Pride.
- One officer leaving PD ranks in Swansea, Officer Marquis Boyan with Richland County Sheriff Office. He has done good things at Swansea.
- Grant to Fire House Subs could not be complete because the application Swansea does not have a budget.
- Will have a meeting on 3/22/22 regarding the SRO officer for Swansea. The town does not have a budget will be denied.
- Reminder of Dominion Energy saving program at Mt. Pleasant between 6/8 drive by.

Councilman Luongo inquired from Chief Williams there was a rumor there is a gang situation between Swansea and North.

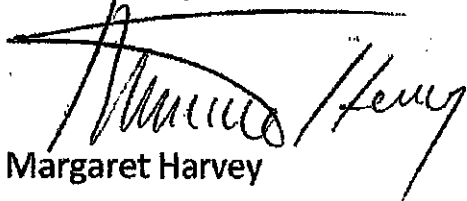
Chief Williams shared with council, he has spoken with the gang unit in the county and that is not anything they are picking up on.

There was no other business to discuss and the Mayor asked, if there was a motion to adjourn. A motion was stated by Councilwoman Butler and second by Councilman William to adjourn.

Councilwoman Simmons starting talking about the agenda being posted on the Mayors website with an Open Forum.

Mayor informed, Simmons whatever was in her package was the document council would go by.

Respectively Submitted,



Margaret Harvey