

Swansea Town Council  
Meeting  
July 16, 2018

The Swansea Town Council held their monthly General Meeting at the Swansea Municipal Building, Courtroom, and 320 West Third Street, Swansea, South Carolina 29160.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Jerald Sanders  
Mayor Pro-tem Woodrow Davis  
Councilwoman Linda Butler  
Council Michael Luongo

ABSENT

Councilman David Martin

GENERAL MEETING

Mayor Sanders called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Where he stated, the media had been notified of the meeting and the agenda had been posted at the Town Hall and the Police Department. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present. We were lead in prayer by Councilman Woodrow Davis.

Mayor Sanders called for the consideration of the minutes of Junes 18, 2018 General Meeting and the Special Called Meeting of June 22, 2018. Councilman Martin made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Davis and passed with a unanimous vote.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor shared, we have organized and started our Community Crime Watch Team. We were grateful of approximately, 25 residents in attendance to the first meeting. The second meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2018 at the Senior Center at 6:30. The meeting date and time will be posted; we invite all the resident of the community to be there for your support.

WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT REPORT

Rick Bryan gave his monthly Water and Sewer report. For the month of June we had no violation in our Water and Sewer Systems. There was a question from Councilman Michael Luongo of the amount of water we have lost. Rick indicated it was less than 10%.

## STREET MAINTENANCE

Carlton Moore was not in attendance. Mayor Sanders informed council of his conversation with the supervisor of Advance Disposal regarding garbage pickup. The town of Swansea was not getting the type of service for which, they are paying the company. If the problem, was not fix this week and Friday was like the previous Friday. The town would go with another company. The supervisor assured him, he would make it better. I shared, with him he had to prove it to me. This is where we are with the Advance Disposal.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Hayes presented stats of the Police Department for last month and cases the department had during the month. He shared 72 citations, 4 accidents, 14 warrants, 35 reports and 13 arrests. The police department will have 2 new vehicles as part of their fleet.

There were multiple complaints of storage buildings popping up in town. People living in storage building and paying rent to stay on property. We need to put an Ordinance in place because the storage buildings are being used for a place of resident in town.

Leah, County, Zoning and the Mayor will fix the problem now; however, we need to possibly put an ordinance in place to stop future issues.

## WHAT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IS DOING TO CURVE CRIME

Melissa Williams President of the Crime Watch Community Program presented its first meeting July 10, 2018. The purpose is to, Build a Relationship with the Community and a Safe Haven for everyone. She is looking to unite the community so that, we can Build Trust and Respect with the officers in Swansea. The National Night out in the Park and Fund Raising with Grants to assist in binging thing into the community. In addition, she will be getting assistance from Mr. Roberts of Gaston.

Councilman Luongo interested in knowing what the grants would do for Crime Watched. Melissa talked about, how it would benefit the park for the kids to go for security in the community. Mayor Sanders informed, all in attendance of the second phase, The Community Emergency Response Team. How we would educate, train our folks in the area. What to do if a disaster occurred chemical, railroad or weather related to set up shelters, alert systems to alert our residents.

The Mayor checked with our Lt. Governor's office on Commission on aging to come and work with us with the aging population. How we can help them if a disaster or bad weather has ways and means for air conditioners, fans blankets food storage where we partner with churches already doing these things.

We want to make sure we assist her in the efforts for the community and the support of the Chief and Council to help enhance what she is doing for the residents of our town.

OPEN FORUM

No Comments

The Mayor had no further business asked for, consideration for a motion to adjourn First via Councilman Davis and Second by Councilman Lunogo with a unanimous vote for adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Harvey  
Clerk Treasurer

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