

**SWANSEA TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING  
AND  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES JANUARY 23, 2017**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Mayor Ray Spires  
Mayor Pro-tem Davis  
Councilwoman Linda Butler  
Councilman David Martin  
Councilman Jerald Sanders

The Swansea Town Council held a Public Hearing at the Swansea Municipal Building 320 W. Third St., Swansea, S.C. The Public Hearing began at 5:45 p.m.

Mayor Spires stated the Public Hearing was for Ordinance #1219216, 2017 Budget. The Mayor opened the floor for discussion; however, no citizens were present. The Mayor stated they would leave the meeting open for ten minutes to see if any citizens came in.

At 5:55 p.m., Mayor Spires called for a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. Councilman Davis made a motion for adjournment and the motion was seconded by Councilman Sanders. All voted aye.

**GENERAL MEETING**

The Swansea Town Council held its monthly Town Council Meeting at the Swansea Municipal Building 320 W. Third St., Swansea, S.C. The general meeting began at 6:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Mayor Ray Spires  
Mayor Pro-tem Davis  
Councilwoman Linda Butler  
Councilman David Martin  
Councilman Jerald Sanders

Mayor Spires called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Spires stated that the media had been notified of tonight's meeting and agenda had been posted at the town hall and the police department. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present. Mayor Spires requested Councilman Davis lead Council in prayer.

Mayor Spires called for the approval of the December 19, 2016, Town Council Meeting and the December 27, 2016, Called Meeting. Councilman Sanders made a motion to accept the minutes as presented with a second by Councilman Davis. All voted aye.

Mayor and Council Comments – Mayor Spires stated he had been working with MPA Services for grants for the Police and Water Departments. Councilman Sanders stated the Lexington Recreation and Aging Commission was interested in partnering with the town to host movies in the park. There would be no cost to the town.

Water & Sewer Department Report – Mr. Rick Bryan updated Council on the monthly activities of his department. Mr. Bryan stated the Bull Swamp conversation to the Nicholson Business Solutions program had went well and they had just printed the first bills. Bull Swamp is purchasing a mini excavator for about \$30,000.00 and several models will be tested before one is purchased. Mr. Bryan reported that Bull Swamp had completed their water line extensions. The total cost \$200,000.00 and they were granted \$500,000.00. The remainder will have to be returned to Orangeburg County. Mr. Bryan state the department had begun their annual valve maintenance program for 2017. And sewer inflation for rain water will be repair near the Feed Mill to help cost sewer cost.

Street and Sanitation – Mr. Carlton Moore reported on the activities of December and January.

Police Department – Chief Hayes provided the stats for the month to Council. Chief Hayes updated Council on some of the cases: stolen vehicle, puppy, and wallet. The Chief reported the new radios are in and waiting to be installed. Chief Hayes also reported the Police Department was been awarded three digital cameras from a request from 2008 and the town will not have to pay the cost of having the cameras installed.

Second reading on Ordinance #1219206, 2017 Budget was presented to Council for second reading. A public hearing was held prior to tonight's Council and no comments were expressed. Councilman Davis made a motion for the adoption of the 2017 Budget Ordinance #12192016, with a second from Councilman Sanders. All voted aye.

First Reading on Ordinance # 02212017-1 Annexation of tax map number 013022-02-001, property owned by Mark and Linda Disanto located at 600 N. Brecon St. Councilman Martin made a motion to accept first reading as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Davis and carried a unanimous vote.

First Reading on Ordinance # 02212017-2 Annexation of tax map number 013019-10-014, property owned by Joe Brooks located at 206 Roach Avenue. Councilman Sanders made a motion to accept the ordinance, with a second by Councilman Davis. All voted aye.

Open Forum – No comments were expressed.

Executive Session- Mayor Spires called for a motion for executive session to discuss legal/contractual matters: Personnel and CSX Railroad. Councilman Martin made a motion to enter into executive session, seconded by Councilman Davis. All voted aye. Councilman Sanders made a motion to resume

the general meeting. Councilman Davis seconded the motion, which carried a unanimous vote. No actions were taken.

Therefore, being no further business there was a unanimous vote for adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lorraine Abell".

Lorraine Abell  
Town Clerk

# Town of Swansea

RAY SPIRES  
*Mayor*

WOODROW DAVIS, JR.  
*Mayor Pro-Tem*



JERALD SANDERS  
DAVID MARTIN  
LINDA G. BUTLER  
*Council*

*Swansea, South Carolina*

**SWANSEA TOWN COUNCIL  
GENERAL MEETING  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2017  
6:00 P.M.**

Swansea Municipal Building, Courtroom, 320 W. Third St.

**GENERAL MEETING**

Call Meeting to Order

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Prayer

Approval of Minutes – Public Hearing and General Meeting of January 23, 2017

Mayor and Council Comments

Water and Sewer Department Reports

Street Maintenance Report

Police Department Report

Proclamation – Meals on Wheels

Second Reading, Ordinance #02272017-1, Annexation, TM#013022-02-001,  
600 N. Brecon Ave., Mark & Linda Disanto

Second Reading, Ordinance #02272017-2, Annexation, TM#013019-10-014,  
206 Roach Ave., Joe L. Brooks

Open Forum (3Minute Limit)

Executive Session – Pursuant to SC Code Section 30-4-70 (a) (2),

Legal Advice and Contractual Matters

- a. Bull Swamp Contract
- b. CSX Railroad
- c. CDBG Project
- d. First Citizens Bank

Possible actions from Executive Session

Adjournment

Posted: 2-23-2017

Lorraine Abell

Clerk

**SWANSEA**  
**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MINUTES March 20, 2017**

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Mayor Ray Spires  
Councilwoman Linda Butler  
Councilman David Martin  
Councilman Jerald Sanders

**GENERAL MEETING**

The Swansea Town Council held its monthly Town Council Meeting at the Swansea Municipal Building 320 W. Third St., Swansea, S.C. The general meeting began at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Spires called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Spires stated that the media had been notified of tonight's meeting and agenda had been posted at the town hall and the police department. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present. Mayor Spires requested Councilman Sanders lead Council in prayer.

Mayor Spires called for the approval of the February 27, 2017 Town Council Meeting. Councilman Sanders made a motion to accept the minutes as presented with a second by Councilman Martin. All voted aye.

Mayor and Council Comments – Mayor Spires reminded Council that the Ethics Statements are due March 31, 2017. The Mayor reported on sidewalk projects. Phase I is complete and work will begin on Phase II soon.

Water & Sewer Department Report – Mr. Rick Bryan updated Council on the monthly activities of his department. Mr. Bryan stated SI Solutions did the first billing run and everything went smoothly and working with us on reducing our cost. Mr. Bryan reported maintenance on the sewer lines is continuing and also the value maintenance program as well. Mr. Bryan stated the Bull Swamp contract is being revised removing the Town of North and changing Norths' to Town of Swansea.

Street and Sanitation – No Report

Police Department – Chief Hayes provided the stats for the month to Council. Chief Hayes updated Council on some of the major cases of the month.

First Reading on Ordinance Number 041717, Annexation, TM#013021-03-018, 501 St. Matthews Rd., Fransetta Sterling was presented to Council. Councilman Sanders made a motion to accept first reading as presented; Councilman Martin seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Open Forum – no comments

Executive Session- Mayor Spires called for a motion for executive session to discuss legal/contractual matters: Legal and Contractual Matters concerning: a. Personnel  
b. CSX Railroad

Councilman Martin made a motion to enter into executive session, seconded by Councilman Sanders. All voted aye. Councilman Martin made a motion to resume the general meeting. Councilman Sanders seconded the motion, which carried a unanimous vote. Councilman Martin made a motion granting permission to move forward with a title search on the CSX Railroad property to see who is the rightful owner. Seconded by Councilman Sanders with a unanimous vote. Councilman Martin made a motion for necessary changes to working area to provide for the safety and wellbeing of the municipal court clerk. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sanders. All vote aye.

Therefore, being no further business there was a unanimous vote for adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,



Lorraine Abell  
Town Clerk

**SWANSEA**  
**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

**MINUTES April 17, 2017**

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Mayor Ray Spires  
Mayor Pro-tem Davis  
Councilwoman Linda Butler  
Councilman David Martin

**ABSENT**

Councilman Jerald Sanders

**GENERAL MEETING**

The Swansea Town Council held its monthly Town Council Meeting at the Swansea Municipal Building 320 W. Third St., Swansea, S.C. The general meeting began at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Spires called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Spires stated that the media had been notified of tonight's meeting and agenda had been posted at the town hall and the police department. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present. Mayor Spires requested Councilman Davis lead Council in prayer.

Mayor Spires called for the approval of the March 20, 2017, Town Council Meeting. Councilman Davis made a motion to accept the minutes as presented with a second by Councilman Martin. All voted aye.

Mayor and Council Comments – Mayor Spires stated Phase I of the Sidewalk project has been completed. The Mayor stated Phase II was ready to begin when it was discovered we needed a little more right of way. The school district has been contacted and hopefully Phase II will begin soon. Council had no additional comments.

Water & Sewer Department Report – Mr. Rick Bryan updated Council on the monthly activities of his department. Mr. Bryan stated the annual value inspections have been completed for the year and the staff has started the hydrant inspections for the year for both Swansea and Bull Swamp. There were no violations for the month. Mr. Bryan stated the chlorine levels are back where they should be so the reduction in chemicals being purchased should decrease. Mr. Bryan stated the Town has applied for an RIA grant; however, no word has been received on grant awards yet. Mr. Bryan stated he had held a training session for the staff at the Town of North; however, it was not very productive. Mr. Bryan stated

he is working with Joint Water on obtaining a new meter for tracking the sewer cost and usage sent to Cayce. This should reduce cost.

Street and Sanitation – Mr. Moore reports seven trips to landfill totaling 8.3 tons. Mr. Moore reported on the department activities of the month and the new equipment purchased for his department.

Police Department – Chief Hayes was not present and the department report will be provided next month.

Second Reading on Ordinance # 041717, Annexation of tax map number 013021-03-018, property owned by Fransetta Sterling located at 501 St. Matthews Rd. Councilman Martin made a motion to accept the ordinance, with a second by Councilman Davis. All voted aye.

First Reading on Ordinance #05152017, Annexation, TM#011900-02-146 and TM#011900-02-223, located on Southbound Road, owned by Alton and Linda Hutto. Councilman Davis made a motion to accept first reading with a second by Councilman Martin. All voted aye.

Open Forum –Ms. Viola McDaniel addressed Council concerning the Swansea Community Improvement Organization working with Lexington County 4H to bring the 4H back to Swansea. It will serve ages 5-18 and the programs will be year round.

Executive Session- Mayor Spires called for a motion for executive session to discuss legal/contractual matters: Legal and Contractual Matters concerning:

- a. Personnel
- b. CSX Railroad
- c. L.O. Rast Park

Councilman Martin made a motion to enter into executive session, seconded by Councilman Davis. All voted aye. Councilman Davis made a motion to resume the general meeting. Councilman Martin seconded the motion, which carried a unanimous vote. Councilman Martin made a motion to authorize the Mayor to negotiate a contract for the purchase of L.O. Rast Park. Councilman Davis seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Therefore, being no further business there was a unanimous vote for adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,



Lorraine Abell  
Town Clerk

**SWANSEA  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

**MINUTES MAY 15, 2017**

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Mayor Ray Spires  
Mayor Pro-tem Woodrow Davis  
Councilwoman Linda Butler  
Councilman David Martin  
Councilman Jerald Sanders

**GENERAL MEETING**

The Swansea Town Council held its monthly Town Council Meeting at the Swansea Municipal Building 320 W. Third St., Swansea, S.C. The general meeting began at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Spires called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Spires stated that the media had been notified of tonight's meeting and agenda had been posted at the town hall and the police department. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present. Mayor Spires requested Councilman Davis lead Council in prayer.

Mayor Spires called for the approval of the April 17, 2017, Town Council Meeting. Councilman Davis made a motion to accept the minutes as presented with a second by Councilman Sanders. All voted aye.

Mayor and Council Comments – Mayor Spires shared with Council that he had delivered the annual fines payment to the State Treasurer's office and was still trying to get the balance reduced. Mayor Spires state the Municipal Clerk to Court job has been posted on the MASC website and town website. The deadline for applications is June 1, 2017. The Mayor stated that he had spoken with the auditor and the audit would start June 1. Mayor Spires and Ms. Abell have everything ready for the auditor to start on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Mayor Spires stated Phase I of the Sidewalk project has been completed. The Mayor stated Phase II was ready to begin when it was discovered we needed an additional \$50,000.00 because of the drainage ditches and CBDG could not granting any additional funds. The remaining funds would be returned. The Mayor stated any additional sidewalks would have to be funded by the DOT that CBDG were not funding sidewalks in the future Council had no additional comments.

Water & Sewer Department Report – Mr. Rick Bryan updated Council on the monthly activities of his department. Mr. Bryan stated the annual water quality report for Bull Swamp had been completed and was posted on the town website. Mr. Bryan stated Swansea's annual report will be completed as soon as he receives information from Joint Water. Mr. Bryan reported that the master meter company has corrected some installations issues and what it should function better. Mr. Bryan stated the sewer bill was down again this month. Mr. Bryan stated discussions were being held to make sure readings would be

accepted before the town spent funds on new master meter for sewer. Bull Swamp customers can now use the same electronic payment service that Swansea customers can.

Street and Sanitation – Mr. Moore was not present tonight. His report will be given next month.

Police Department – Chief Hayes presented the stats for the month and updated Council on the activities of the month.

Second Reading on Ordinance #05152017, Annexation, TM#011900-02-146 and TM#011900-02-223, located on Southbound Road, owned by Alton and Linda Hutto. Councilman Davis made a motion to accept second reading with a second by Councilman Martin. All voted aye.

Proclamation for Peace Officers' Memorial Day was presented to Council. Councilman Davis made a motion to accept the proclamation as presented. Councilman Sanders seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Open Forum – No Comments

Executive Session- Mayor Spires called for a motion for executive session to discuss legal/contractual matters: Legal and Contractual Matters concerning:

- a. Personnel
- b. CSX Railroad
- c. L.O. Rast Park
- d. Contract of Shred Documentation

Councilman Martin made a motion to enter into executive session, seconded by Councilman Davis. All voted aye. Councilman Sanders made a motion to resume the general meeting. Councilman Davis seconded the motion, which carried a unanimous vote. Councilman Martin made a motion to authorize the Mayor to purchase L.O. Rast Park with the funds from the Land Development Account. Councilman Davis seconded the motion. All voted aye. Councilman Sanders made a motion to accept the contract from Iron Mountain Shred for the shredding of town documents. Councilman Davis seconded the motion and all voted aye.

Therefore, being no further business Councilman Martin made a motion for adjournment, which was seconded by Council Sanders. All voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,



Lorraine Abell  
Town Clerk