

Town of Lake View
Public Council Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 20th, 2025 @ 7:00pm
Town Hall – Council Chambers
201 N. Main St. Lake View, SC 29563

Public presence – Dr. Nicole Criss, Kim Olige, David Suggs, Marvin Suggs, Toney McDuffie

1. Welcome – call meeting to order by Mayor Lee
2. Pledge of Allegiance by all and Prayer from Mayor Lee
3. Motion to approve meeting minutes from February 25th 1st motion from Councilmember Church and 2nd motion from Councilmember Townsend, all were in favor.
4. Citizen Concern: (each citizen has three (3) minutes to speak)
 - a. Jerry Page, Nuisance Property Owner was absent and will try to come next month
 - b. CARPS, SC, Substance Abuse Group Speakers Dr. Nicole Criss and Kim Olige spoke about their Community Based alliance for support of substance abuse and will now extend services to Lake View Community. They will start with classes on the 1st Thursday in April 2025 at the Learning Center by the Union AME Church and will have narcan training, recovery groups, HIV/HEP Testing, Sex Education as well as offering a diversion program with the area judges.
5. Committee Reports: Councilmember King and Mayor Lee will schedule a meeting to start prepping for the Breaking Bread event for the 1st Saturday in May 2025.
6. Financial Statements – Budget VS Actual, Grant Report, Balance Sheet: Clerk Garriss reported that all departments are currently under budget and grants have been submitted for the radio communication systems for the police department as well as the reimbursement for the body worn camera annual storage fees.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

NONE

NONE

7. Department Concerns:
 - a. Police Dept. – Chief Smith was absent but Mayor stated that all papers have been turned in for the Audit and the in-person Audit will take place on April 7th.
 - b. Street Dept. – Mr. McDuffie had nothing to report.
 - c. Administration – Clerk Garriss requested motion to approve \$3k donation that is already in the budget for the Lake View Rescue Squad for their workers' compensation insurance as well as \$900.00 that is still available for in the budget for the American Legion Boys group for the 3 Lake View HS Students going on the trip. Motion to approve from Councilmember Townsend and 2nd motion from Councilmember King.
8. Mayors Report: Mayor stated that he and Mr. McDuffie traveled to Columbia for the 250 Sestercentennial meeting and stated that the town will need to come up with events for Carolina Days during 6/28/26-7/4/26. He then stated that the Blessing Box is being raided and in order to try and keep it full and from one person getting everything the Council suggested that the groups fill it and bring in the extras to the Town Hall for the Clerks to continuously fill it thru the week instead of overfilling it and it be gone the next day.
9. Council Concerns: Councilmember Kitchens asked about the pot holes and Mr. McDuffie stated that they have already started working on them today. Councilmember Church asked about status of the buzzard for the water tower and Mr. McDuffie stated that he had called out to Grand Strand but has not heard back yet and will contact them again. Councilmember Church also requested along with all Council to remind Kenny B with recreation department to make sure that the coaches and the teams clean out the dugout after each practice and game. Councilmember Townsend requested Clerk Garriss to contact the State House regarding flag donations to the town for free.
10. With no other discussion Motion to close this meeting @ 732pm time 1st motion from Councilmember King and 2nd motion from Councilmember Townsend all were in favor and meeting was closed.

After Meeting Workshop - FY25-26 Budget Review of Expenditures ONLY



Mayor Sterling Lee



Clerk / Treasurer Amanda Garriss