SOUTHWEST RANCHER

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PHOTO CONTEST SUBMISSION
BY RESIDENT:
RICHARD ZICARELLI

SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA
FOUNDED JUNE 2000
Preserving Our Rural Lifestyle

Mayor Steve Breitkreuz

Probably the two most common concerns that are brought to my attention are traffic and garbage pick-up. Regarding traffic, I want to recognize the efforts of Council Member Jim Allbritton for his work to form an ad hoc committee to review the various issues across Town related to traffic and safety and come up with recommendations for improvement. He brought together a highly qualified group of residents that did just that, and I am sincerely thankful for those residents volunteering their time and energy for this effort. We are fortunate to have such an engaged body of residents in our Town. All contributing their skills to the betterment of our Town, and this group did an exceptional job providing recommendations for equipment and process changes that I believe will have a significant positive impact on our community. Sincere thanks to Jim and the residents that served on this committee!

The other topic is waste and bulk removal. This has been a frustration for a number of years. The Town has worked diligently to attempt to improve the service levels. At times there have been successes, but at other times, little gain has been seen. Our contract with our current vendor concludes in just a couple months, at the end of September. The current vendor did not bid on the new contract, so we will be selecting a new vendor to provide this service. I believe most everyone in Town is thankful for that.

Because this was such thorn in our side for the last several years, when the Town was preparing the bid documents for potential vendors, we hired a consultant that could provide for us a path to providing the most appropriate service and attract the most vendors to bid. The goal is obviously to improve the consistency of our service and obtain this service to the lowest possible cost. Due to the current inflation numbers and the fact that we negotiated a very competitive price on our prior contract, we will unfortunately see an increase in our cost. However, you might remember that about six months ago, I requested your input as to what services your found most useful for waste / recycle / bulk and which were less important. Many of you responded. (Thank-you!) Those responses were forwarded on to the consultant, and I have also expressed them personally. So, you will see some changes in service. At the time I write this article, I do not know the final cost or service changes, so I can not list them at this time. However, we will be communicating these once they are available.

So, on both the traffic and waste fronts the Town has been working to make improvements. I very much appreciate your feedback. It was critical building the plans for the future. I encourage you to continue to provide this feedback and communication. My personal cell number is 954-296-6018. I welcome your calls to let me know how we are doing and what continues to need improvement.

It is an honor to serve the residents of this special Town that we call home.

Steve (954) 296-6018

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED OUR COUNTRY

This Veterans Day, the Town of Southwest Ranches would like to honor our veterans and active military who have served our country. We will show our appreciation and gratitude by recognizing our Veterans in the November Town Newsletter. If you are interested, please send us a picture, rank, branch, and years served. You may also include a few words (25 or less) if desired.

Please email the information to Skutz@southwestranches.org no later than September 15th. Call Susan (954) 343-7460 with any questions.

Vice Mayor Gary Jablonski

Hello everyone,

First allow me to thank all the residents who responded to my idea of creating a new zoning category for land not already zoned residential. The response has been extremely gratifying knowing I am on the right track in helping keep our Town rural for future generations. For all those residents again, I say thank you. The new proposed category will be called Rural Ranches Agricultural and will be submitted to the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Board this July.

Second the Town Council has FANTASTIC news for all the residents! The property the Town purchased from CCA (Core Civic) has been sold for over $18 Million going to the Town. The benefits of this sale are as follows:

1. Sold for $18,600,000. We purchased the 24+ acre property for about $8.1 Million in 2016,

and we also rolled our entire debt into the bond (loan).

2. The new owner is building an Industrial Warehouse with a vehicle storage lot.

3. After building out the new owner will pay the Town 6% of the rental plus other fees forever (this condition runs with the land no matter who owns it).

4. If the new owner ever sells the property the Town will receive 3% of the purchase price (every time the property is sold).

5. The Council agreed the first thing the Town will do with these funds is payoff the ENTIRE DEBT the Town owes which is around $8 Million.

6. This amounts to .623 mils in the

current budget and puts us in a strong position to REDUCE the millage in the upcoming year (next year's budget cycle has yet to be determined).

7. The remaining amount will go to other extremely important projects that are needed around the Town where funding is extremely difficult because of the size of the projects.

Now the news gets even better. Thanks to the efforts of the entire Town Council going to Tallahassee last January (a special shoutout to Council Member Kuczenski for putting in extra effort on the last day we were there) and the efforts of our State Representative Robin Bartleman, we were successful in getting three very needed drainage projects funded for a total of $1,600,000. The drainage projects are as follows:

1. Country Estates SW 63rd Street and SW 185 Way drainage improvement.

2. Green Meadows SW 164th Terrace drainage improvement.

3. Also, in the Green Meadows area the SW 54th Place drainage extension to the Ivanhoe Canal.

4. Also, Representative Bartleman got State funding of $2 Million for needed upgrades to our general drainage basin areas. This funding will benefit us greatly with the gates, locks, and weirs that are throughout the basin areas.

As you all can see the Town Council has made enormous strides to improve our Town with a shout out to the Town Administration and especially the Legal Team for their tremendous efforts in putting the various projects together. We have a great Council that works very well together and an outstanding team at Town Hall. All the above will benefit the Town for decades.

Also, an important announcement that I (District 2) and Councilmember Bob Hartmann (District 1) are re-running in the November election.

It is an Honor and a Privilege to serve you.

Gary

Council Member Bob Hartmann

When the Corrections Corporation of America (CCA) immigration detention center negotiations with the federal government collapsed, our neighboring municipality to the south attempted to acquire the CCA property (approximately 24.4 acres) within the Town. This action could have taken the Town's only industrially zoned land off the Town's tax rolls thru annexation into their city or by using the land for environmental mitigation rendering it of no taxable value. The Council in April 2016 implemented a defensive strategy to protect the value and purchased the undeveloped property from CCA.

On January 3, 2022, MG3 Developer Group, LLC (MG3) a South Florida development company, submitted a public private partnership agreement to the Town to purchase and to develop a warehouse facility at the Town's former CCA property. On January 14, 2022, the Town formally announced its interest in considering MG3's proposal and it issued a procurement to receive competitive offers. On February 18, 2022, the solicitation was closed, and the Town considered two offers. On March 7, 2022, the Town's Selection and Negotiation Committee met and selected MG3, as the most responsive and responsible bidder to purchase and to develop the Town's former CCA property located off Sheridan Street next to the County's landfill.

On June 2, the Council conducted a sole-purpose Council meeting to review the proposal which the Council approved at the meeting. Under the contract, MG3 will acquire the former CCA site for $18.6 million. Additionally, the Town will share with MG3 in a portion of the profits as outlined in a perpetual profit participation agreement. MG3 shall pay to the Town six percent of the total gross rental income, less insurance, less six percent of the real estate commissions paid, ad valorem taxes, and government assessments on a quarterly basis. Revenue from the profit agreement will not be available until after rental tenant occupancy begins in a period to begin no later than 24 months from signing. So, to be clear, the Town will receive $18.6 million upon sale and will receive a portion of the profits once warehouse rentals begin.

This sale is important to our residents for several reasons. First, the proceeds of the sale of this property will be used to pay-off all Town debts. Elimination of debt service of these liabilities will free up approximately 0.6 mils of ad valorem tax requirements. The timing could not be better as we all understand the effects this period of extraordinary inflation is having on our own personal finances and businesses. The Town is having similar challenges and additionally, our contract with Davie for public safety service expires this year. The Council is reviewing and approving budgets during July and August and will likely apply the funds used for the eliminated debt service to cover any funding gaps to reject the need for ad valorem tax increases for the fifth year in a row.

Next, the balance of the profit from the property sale, net of paying off debt service and any costs associated with the transaction, will likely be planned by the Council to fund items that have been un-funded priorities for a long time.

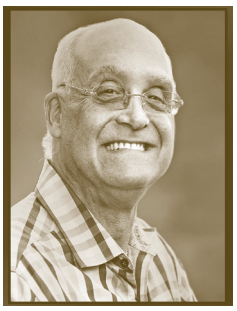
Finally, to gain some insight to how these new funding sources will be applied, how our town budgets are created, reviewed and how our taxes are determined, please join the Town's budget workshop on August 16th, and the two public hearings on Sept 12 and Sept 22 when the budgets are finalized along with proposed fire assessments and waste fees. Check the Town calendar or newsletter for specific meeting times.

I want to mention a couple of additional items that are important to all of us. I noted above that the Davie Public Safety contract expires this year. Town is negotiating with Davie, and it looks like they are working with us to keep the same annual increases (4.5%) as the prior contract. They are a union shop for the police, fire, and EMS labor so our increases somewhat match theirs.

There is some news about garbage and bulk services. Waste Management was awarded the new contract and is expected to begin collection in October. More information will be provided on the pickup and services as startup gets a bit closer.

I am always here to help! If I can assist with any questions or Town issue, or you would just like to have a chat, please call me.

Bob – 954-801-1758



Council Member David S. Kuczenski

Howdy Folks,

I wish to thank those of you who reach out to me to ask about issues of concern throughout our Town. My goal is to return my calls within 24-48 hours, even including weekends. Two highly discussed issues are speeding and solid waste disposal, and a third is development. Council Member Jim Albritton conceived the idea of the Public Safety Committee, which proposed several items to enhance the public safety within our Town. Two items include increased law enforcement at various times and purchasing laser speed detecting devices. Another item being resurrected is the idea from Vice Mayor Gary Jablonski to increase law enforcement presence funded from traffic violation revenues. Interestingly, most of the speeding, according to Davie Police, is from our very own residents. Once implemented, however, we should see a reduction in speeding.

The second item, solid waste removal, is presently being addressed by the Town Administration. As I write this, negotiations are being conducted with the replacement vendor, which appears to be Waste Management for regular garbage and possibly a different vendor for bulk depending on how negotiations pan out. Regardless, as of October 1st, we will be seeing a positive change vis-à-vis to our current situation. Once the contract is approved, I plan to discuss in a future article what is and what is not approved for bulk pick-up and the approved locations as the present situation has created much confusion.

Future Land Development is a very important issue in the upcoming months. As Council Member Bob Hartmann discussed last month, property values in our Town have escalated, and while other areas of the state may see a decrease as the housing bubble comes to an end. I do not believe it will have any effect on our property values, simply because there is no place like Southwest Ranches. That being said, there are a handful of large undeveloped tracts remaining. I am opposed to new commercial development within our Town, and I am opposed to increasing density of our homes. The opinions of locally affected property owners are important in considering where to draw the line. Future land development will be an issue we the Council will discuss in the near future.

Recently, I brought to the Council's attention that we need to update our election signs ordinance. The basis of this concept is whether the resident/owner knows what is being placed on her/his property. Presently, the ordinance requires an onerous form and documentation of the property resident to place an election sign for a Council Member candidate for each property. I am of the opinion, and it seemed to me the Council is receptive on the concept, that if a dwelling is occupied, no documentation for placing an election sign needs to be obtained. As I explained, if a resident opposes the sign in her/his property, they can simply throw it away. However, when it comes to vacant homes or vacant properties, I felt this open placement change is more challenging because many vacant property owners do not live in the Town and have no idea what is placed on their property. Another issue I feel is the timing of the signs. Today, I would like to place signs on my property; however, the present ordinance restricts placement beyond 60 days of the election. This will require additional discussion. Also, any person may remove an illegal sign within the Town. On the other hand, removing a legal sign is a violation of state law.

I wish to thank you for the honor of holding this office. As a Council Member, I work to help the entire Town. If you have a concern or complaint, drop a call to me. I may not answer immediately, but I strive to return my calls in 24-48 hours.

Very Truly Yours,
David S Kuczenski, Esq.,
Council Member Dist. 4

Clerk's Corner

by Russell Muñiz

Brief legislation from the June 23, 2022 Town Council Regular Meeting:

• **Adopted Resolution 2022-060** approving a new water agreement with the City of Cooper City for four single family homes along Stirling Road.

• **Adopted Resolution 2022-061** approving a new water agreement with the City of Cooper City for a commercial property along Flamingo Road.

Brief legislation from the July 14, 2022 Town Council Regular Meeting:

• **Adopted Resolution 2022-062** approving an extension to the agreement with Florida Technical Consultants, LLC. For continuing GIS services.

• **Adopted Resolution 2022-063** approving an agreement with Kimley Horn and Associates, Inc. to develop a Town wide Stormwater Master Plan.

• **Adopted Resolution 2022-064** approving a neighborhood beautification grant award to the Country Estates Civic Association.

• **Adopted Resolution 2022-065** approving a purchase order with Huurr Homes to amend the Green Meadows Drainage Improvement Project.

• **Adopted Resolution 2022-066** approving the selection of Allstate Resource Management as the lowest priced proposer for the Rolling Oaks Passive Open Space Park Pond Cleanup Project.

To view these approved items in their entirety please visit the Town Clerk's Department page on the Town website and click on the Resolutions and/or Ordinances link.

STAY IN TOUCH WITH ENGINEERING

Fill for horse stalls does not require a fill permit. In addition, a permit may not be required if a small amount of sand is required to replenish a horse arena. However the Town recommends that a property owner or leasee contact our office to assure that the type of work being performed falls under this criteria prior to performing the work. A phone call to us will help prevent a possible warning from Code Enforcement and double fees when it comes to acquiring the required permit.

Please call: (954) 434-0008 or
Email: publicworks@southwestranches.org

IMPACT OF WILDLIFE GARDENS ...THE RESEARCH IS IN!

Private residential homes comprise one-third of the urban environment. Studies show the impact of gardening practices utilized in certified backyard habitats are having an enormous benefit to the environment:

- **Increased Biodiversity**
- **Creation of Habitat Corridors**
- **Rich Diversity of Native Plants and Trees**
- **Increased Levels of Oxygen**
- **Increased Presence of Migratory Species**
- **Higher Percentages of Indicator Species**
- **Carbon Dioxide Sequestration**
- **Increased Groundwater Permeability**

Don't just take our word for it, view "You Built It and They Came: The Science Behind Your Habitat Garden-Webinar" **https://www.nwf.org/Garden-for-Wildlife/About/Resources/You-Built-It-They-Came**, Featuring Dr. Peter Groffman, Dr. Sarah Hobbie, Dr. Kelli Larson, and Dr. Susannah Lerman, a panel of researchers funded by the National Science Foundation Macrosystems Biology program, sharing findings from studies of Certified Wildlife Habitats® across the country. They discuss how wildlife gardening can help boost biodiversity, impact soil and microclimates, and potentials for expanding.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION

SOUTHWEST RANCHES TAKES THE NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION'S

MAYORS MONARCH PLEDGE

Southwest Ranches is taking action to help save the monarch butterfly, an iconic species whose eastern populations have declined by 90% and western populations by 99% in recent years. Through the National Wildlife Federation's Mayors' Monarch Pledge, our Town is committing to create habitat for the monarch butterfly and pollinators, and to educate residents about how we can make a difference at home and in our community.

PROTOTYPE BARN

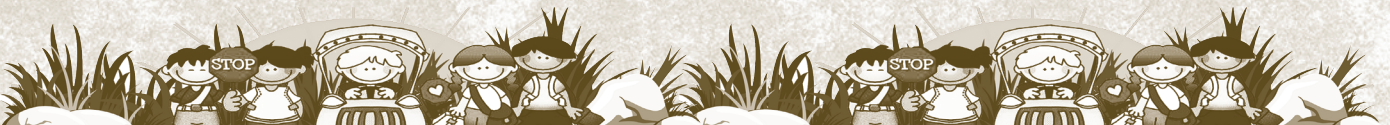
In furtherance of the Town's goal of preserving its rural lifestyle, the Town Council has given residents a simpler mechanism to build a barn that is in compliance with Florida statutory requirements. As such, the Town contracted with an architect who agreed to create a prototype barn drawing, in compliance with the Florida Building Code, which can be permitted for residents throughout the Town. The plans are for a three stall barn with a tack room.

A Town resident looking to build a barn can simply purchase a pre-drafted architectural plan from the Town, which they then can submit, at a reduced cost, and on an expedited basis, to get a permitted barn that will be in compliance with both state and local regulations. **Please call or email Emily Aceti for more information: eaceti@swranches.org.**

SWR
SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA

SHOW YOUR TOWN SPIRIT

SWR stickers are made for residents by the Country Estates Homeowners Association. Sticker's are $1 each and are available at Town Hall, 13400 Griffin Rd.



A NEW SOLID WASTE, RECYCLE AND BULK VENDOR WILL START OCTOBER 1, 2022

PLEASE SEE HELPFUL UPDATED INFORMATION BELOW.

HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE:

- The Town will begin new automated household garbage pickup for our residents.
- 96-gallon residential waste container that holds up to 7 bags of trash will be delivered to each residence. Additional containers can be purchased by calling Town Hall.
- All residents will be notified if collection days change.

RECYCLE RIGHT - RESIDENTS WILL CONTINUE USING THE CURRENT RECYCLE CARTS. PLACE ITEMS DIRECTLY IN RECYCLING CONTAINER. IT'S SIMPLE – NO PLASTIC BAGS.

The following recyclable items are acceptable.

- **PLASTIC BOTTLES AND CONTAINER**
- **FOOD AND BEVERAGE CANS**
- **PAPER**
- **FLATTENED CARDBOARD AND PAPERBOARD**
- **GLASS BOTTLES AND CONTAINERS**

The following is effective in reducing the amount of contaminated recycling material.

- **NO FOOD OR LIQUID**
- **NO FOAM CUPS AND CONTAINERS**
- **NO LOOSE PLASTIC BAGS, BAGGED RECYCTABLES OR FILM**
- **NO BATTERIES**
- **NO GREEN WASTE**
- **NO CLOTHING, FURNITURE OR CARPET**

BULK:

BULK LIMITS OF 12 CUBIC YARDS WILL REMAIN THE SAME, BUT BULK ROUTES COULD CHANGE TO IMPROVE COLLECTION EFFICIENCY.

UPDATED INFORMATION WILL BE IN THE SEPTEMBER ISSUE OF THE TOWN NEWSLETTER AND SOCIAL MEDIA.

Southwest Ranches FIRE RESCUE

The Southwest Ranches Firefighters have been busy. Our department regiments day to day training and are currently training on medical scenarios. The new training module consists of early identification and treatment of cardiac arrhythmias, traumatic blood loss (hypovolemic shock), and diabetic emergencies. All training consists of knowledge and skill review as well as implementation of real-life scenarios. All medical training is in accordance with ACLS/BLS AHA Guidelines and direct supervision from our medical director.

Our cardiac arrhythmia training allows our personnel to truly make a difference. Early detection of cardiac arrythmias is paramount. Immediate CPR and electrical therapy are a winning recipe. Members are trained in pit crew CPR, cardiac defibrillation, synchronized cardioversion, and pacing. Our paramedical have been trained to place and interpret 12 lead EKGs.

Our staff has been training on proper intravenous techniques. Crew members are responsible for proper set up of various drips, as well as proper disposal of sharps. Our paramedic members are responsible for Iv placement, medication administration, and therapeutic fluid administration.

STOP THE BLEED is a nationally recognized learning effort from the American College of Surgeons. Southwest Ranches VFD has been training its members in accordance from basic bleeding control to tourniquet placement. Recently our Town and its residents have suffered serious traumatic events. The application of our training allowed our members to truly make a difference.

Diabetic Emergency Training and Recognition continues for all our personnel. 5 diabetic emergency symptoms to watch for:

- Confusion and or altered mental status
- Blurred vision
- Erratic behavior often confused with alcohol consumption or illicit drug use
- Weakness
- Seizures or loss of conscious

Public Works

Drainage Projects in Green Meadows

■ The installation of 165 linear feet of 24" piping and 2,465 square feet of sod replacement along SW 54th Place right of way between SW 163rd Avenue and SW 164th Terrace will be completed in 2022. The installation of this pipe will increase the efficiency of the stormwater conveyance system.

■ The Town will install drainage pipe, inlets and swales along the SW 54th Place right-of-way west of Dykes Road. Construction is anticipated to be completed in 2022. The Town received $120,900 from the Department of Environmental Protection and $43,000 from Broward County Surtax for this project.

■ The Town was recently awarded a $409,422 grant from the State of Florida for a drainage improvement from Dykes Road east to the Ivanhoe Canal along the SW 54th Place right-of-way. The project is anticipated to be completed in 2023.

■ The Town was recently awarded a $793,166 grant from the State of Florida for a drainage improvement along SW 164th Terrace, SW 163rd Avenue, SW 162nd Avenue, and Stirling Road. The project is anticipated to be completed in 2023.

■ The Town Council has allocated funding from the American Rescue Plan Act to install pipes under Dykes Road to alleviate flooding.

Drainage Projects Country Estates:

■ The Town was awarded a $355,000 grant from the State of Florida for a drainage improvement connecting SW 51st Manor to SW 54th Place through Frontier Trails Park. Design is underway. The project is anticipated to be completed in 2023.

■ The Town was recently awarded a $479,306 grant from the State of Florida for a drainage improvement along SW 63rd Street from SW 184th Avenue canal to the canal just west of SW 188th Avenue. Design is underway. The project is anticipated to be completed in 2023.

Stormwater Master Plan:

The Town has been awarded a $250,000 grant to develop a Stormwater Master Plan (SWMP) from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity's Rebuild Florida General Planning Support Program. The development and implementation of the SWMP will enhance the Town's resilience by ensuring that our community can better withstand and recover from adverse situations relating to flooding. The SWMP will provide direction and prioritization of stormwater infrastructure project needs aimed at reducing flooding, enhancing resiliency, and providing a targeted capital improvement plan.

The Stormwater Master Plan is intended to provide the Town with long-range comprehensive stormwater management system planning. The methodology and concepts used to develop the SWMP will be presented to Town Elected Officials, Town Administration, the Town's Drainage and Infrastructure Advisory Board, residents, and other stakeholders prior to initial project design commencement. The outreach process will allow residents and other stakeholders to provide input to be considered and possibly incorporated into the SWMP.

Transportation Surface and Drainage Ongoing Rehabilitation Program (TSDOR) Future Construction:

Design plans are underway for the next group of roads on the TSDOR plan: SW 162nd Avenue, SW 163rd Avenue, SW 49th Street from SW 163rd Avenue to the dead end, SW 53rd Street from SW 163rd Avenue to SW 162nd Avenue, and SW 164th Terrace. This totals 3.37 miles of roadway. Construction of these improvements are currently unfunded.

TSDOR Study:

The Town implemented a Transportation Surface and Drainage Ongoing Rehabilitation program in FY 2015. The Town completed the TSDOR program study in November 2013 by hiring an engineering firm to perform streets condition assessment and develop improvement cost estimates. The program was developed to resurface all 64 miles of public roadway within the Town. To date, the Town has resurfaced approximately 13.5 miles of roadway.

The Town is currently updating the TSDOR program with the goal of preserving and extending the life of the Town's asphalt paved streets and provide an acceptable level of service on roadside drainage. The Town is updating information on costs for repaving Town streets, restoring appurtenant roadside swales, and maintaining and repairing pavement and potholes, and re-grading and re-grassing roadside swales.

MARTY KIAR
BROWARD COUNTY
PROPERTY APPRAISER

Broward County Property Appraiser's Office

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Ft Lauderdale, FL 33301
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www.bcpa.net

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FILING DATES ANNOUNCED FOR TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, SOUTHWEST RANCHES

Broward County Property Appraiser, Marty Kiar has announced special 2022 homeowner sign-up dates for Homestead, Senior and other property tax exemptions at Southwest Ranches Town Hall 13400 Griffin Road, Southwest Ranches, FL 33330.

2022 Southwest Ranches Town Hall 3rd Thursday of the month 10:00 am -12:00 pm AUGUST 2, 2022

Documents required to file a Homestead Exemption include:

- A current Florida driver's license or Florida identification card, AND
- A current voter registration card or declaration of domicile
- Non-US citizens must also provide proof of legal residency.
- If you are a new resident to Florida, please provide your Settlement Statement from your prior out of state property.

Qualified residents 65 years of age or older as of January 1, 2022 may also apply for the additional Senior Exemption (after January 1, 2022). Seniors must bring a copy of their 2021 Income Tax Return or a copy of their 2021 Social Security 1099 form (if no tax return was filed).

Mustang Trail
Case # 22- 036733 1100 hours
Theft

A resident called to make a report that he had several items of mail stolen from his mailbox. He said he believed there were checks and bank statements in his mailbox. He was told to contact his bank and the credit bureaus.

SW 62nd Street
Case # 22- 054886 0351 hours
Burglary

A resident called police because he received a notification from his ring camera. When he went outside he saw a male inside his son's work truck. The resident yelled and the suspect fled. The caller had video which was put into Davie Property. Nothing appeared to be missing from the truck.

SW 62nd Street
Case # 22- 054893 0446 hours
Burglary

A resident called police because he received a notification from his ring camera. The caller saw a male trying his door handles of his vehicle, but the vehicle was locked so entry was not made. The caller had video which was put into Davie Property.

TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES 10TH ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Rural Public Arts & Design Advisory Board
13400 Griffin Road, Southwest Ranches, Florida 33330

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

CELL: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

I UNDERSTAND, ACKNOWLEDGE, AND AGREE THAT THE SUBMISSION OF PHOTOGRAPHS TO THE TOWN CONSTITUTES A "WORK MADE FOR HIRE," AND I HEREBY WAIVE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS TO THE WORK AND THE WORK PRODUCT, INCLUDING MORAL OR OTHERWISE. THIS STATEMENT SHALL CONTROL OVER THE PROVISIONS OF 17 U.S.C. SECTION 106A(a) AND SHALL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER BY ME OF ANY RIGHTS IN THE WORK SET OUT IN OR OTHERWISE GRANTED BY 17 U.S.C. SECTION 106A(A), VISUAL ARTISTS RIGHTS ACT OF 1990. ALL OTHER RIGHTS IN AND TO THE WORK, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ALL RIGHTS IN THE NATURE OF "DROIT MORAL" RELATING TO ANY CONTINUING INTEREST I MAY HAVE IN THE MAINTENANCE OR MODIFICATION OF THE WORK, ARE EXPRESSLY WAIVED AND, INSOFAR AS SUCH RIGHTS ARE TRANSFERABLE, ARE ASSIGNED TO THE TOWN. MY WORK IS ORIGINAL AND IT COMPLIES WITH ALL APPLICABLE PATENT, TRADEMARK AND COPYRIGHT LAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND CODES. I UNDERSTAND, ACKNOWLEDGE, AND AGREE THAT THROUGH THE CONVEYANCE OF MY SUBMISSION THE WORK WILL REMAIN THE PROPERTY OF THE TOWN AND MAY BE USED, REPRODUCED, SOLD, OR MODIFIED BY THE TOWN IN THE TOWN'S SOLE DISCRETION.

SIGNATURE: _____
(Date)

SIGNATURE OF GUARDIAN
FOR CHILDREN UNDER 18: _____
(Date)

TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES FY 2022 - 2023 BUDGET HEARINGS AND WORKSHOP

The following publicly held Budget meetings/workshop will be in Council Chambers: 13400 Griffin Rd, SWR, FL 33330

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2022
Budget Workshop on Proposed Budget @ 7:00 PM - Mayor and Town Council (Community Invited)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2022
First Public Hearing for Tentative Millage and Budget Adoption introduced for FY 2022-2023 (via resolution and ordinance, respectively). Final Fire Protection and solid waste special assessment Adoption (via resolutions) @ 6:00 PM. September Regular Council Meeting @ 7:30 PM

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2022
Second Public Hearing for Final Millage and Budget Adoption (via resolution and ordinance, respectively) @ 6:00 PM. September Regular Council Meeting @ 7:00 PM

Town Talk Want to stay in touch and receive information on TOWN EVENTS? Send your email address to: druesga@southwestranches.org

August, 2022 School Calendar
Broward County Public Schools

AUGUST				
M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

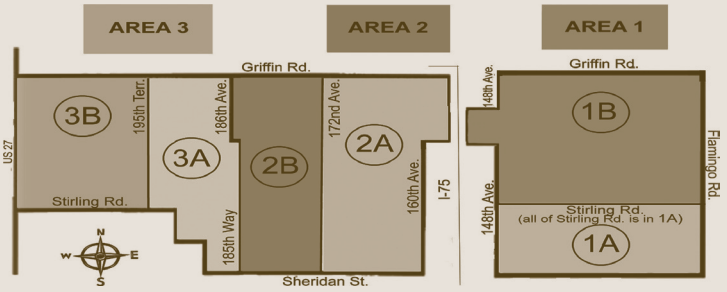
-Tuesday, August 9th thru the 15th-
No school for students

-Tuesday, August 16th-
First day of school

Waste Collection

MAKE SURE YOUR GARBAGE, BULK AND RECYCLE ARE OUT BEFORE 7 AM

TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES - Waste Collection Map & Schedule



TO ALL OUR RESIDENTS ON STIRLING ROAD…Please remember you are in AREA 1A for your bulk schedule.

RESIDENTIAL BULK MAY BE PLACED IN THE SWALE THE SATURDAY BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED BULK COLLECTION DAY. (ORD 2008-07) PAGE 6

Weekly SOLID (GARBAGE) Waste Days

Area 3	Area 2	Area 1
Wednesday & Saturday	Tuesday & Friday	Monday & Thursday

BULK Collection Service Dates by Area

Month	Area	WEDNESDAY Only	Area	TUESDAY Only	Area	MONDAY Only
AUG 2022	3-A	8/10 - 8/24	2-A	8/09 - 8/23	1-A	8/08 - 8/22
	3-B	8/03 - 8/17 - 8/31	2-B	8/02 - 8/16 - 8/30	1-B	8/01 - 8/15 - 8/29
SEPT 2022	3-A	9/07 - 9/21	2-A	9/06 - 9/20	1-A	9/05 - 9/19
	3-B	9/14 - 9/28	2-B	9/13 - 9/27	1-B	9/12 - 9/26

RECYCLE collection occurs once per week: Area 1 every Monday • Area 2 every Tuesday • Area 3 every Wednesday

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REGISTER NOW

Are you getting emergency notifications and other critical information for your community?
Sign up for Code RED to be certain that you are among the first to know about an evacuation order; weather warnings; hazardous road conditions; and other notices requiring your immediate attention and/or action.

Register for CodeRED online today at www.southwestranches.org. Get notified immediately via telephone, text message or email.

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EMAIL: _____

Please indicate your contact preference by entering a 1, 2, or 3 in the boxes below.

☐ Home phone ☐ Cell Phone ☐ Email

Mini-Flow:
Florida Licensing on Wheels

Come to Town Hall if you need to renew or replace your Florida Driver's License, Identification Card or Tag and Registration. The Department of Motorist Services Mini-FLOW Florida Licensing on Wheels will be at Town Hall:

Thursday, August 4th

By Appointment Only
No Walk-Ins
Call Town Hall (954) 434-0008

Household HAZARDOUS WASTE Disposal Days

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE, ELECTRONICS & BULK DROP OFF EVENT

Saturday, September 10th, 2022 . 8:00am to 2:00pm

Location: Rolling Oaks Barn - 17630 SW 56th St.,Southwest Ranches, 33331
Document shredding from 10-1pm . prescription drug drop off 10-2pm

This service is provided for Town residents only. Proof of residency is required.
NOTE: Event may be cancelled due to rain, excessive winds or other hazardous conditions as determined by theTown.

ACCEPTABLE HHW ITEMS

Aerosol Cans Antifreeze/Coolant/Paint
Batteries & Auto Batteries
BBQ & Camp Size Propane
Cleaners
Fluorescent Tubes/Bulbs
Garden Chemicals
Latex/Oil-Based Paint
Pesticides
Pool Chlorine
Tires (Up to 4 tires per household no rims)
Used Oil & Filters

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Computers, Cables DVD Players, Key Boards, Mice, Adapters, Monitors, Printers/Scanners, Radios, Stero Components, TVs, Tape Players, VCRs

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Appliances
Asbestos
Explosives or Ammunition
Medical/Infectious Waste
Non-Residential Waste

For more information call Town Hall (954) 434-0008

PHOTO BY: **Alfredo Avello, Jr.**
"Kisses, the goat, at the Equestrian Park."
(From the 2022 Photo Contest Calendar)

August

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1 • SWR Parks Foundation Meeting - Town Hall 7 pm • Country Estates HOA - Grace Baptist Church - 19200 Griffin Rd - 7 pm AREA 1B BULK	2 • Code Hearing - Town Hall 9 am • Broward County Property Appraiser - Town Hall 10:30 am - 12:30 pm AREA 2B BULK	3 AREA 3B BULK	4	5	6
7	8 • Schools & Education Advisory Board Meeting - Town Hall 7 pm AREA 1A BULK	9 • Parks, Recreation, Forestry & Natural Resources Advisory Board - Town Hall 7 pm AREA 2A BULK	10 AREA 3A BULK	11 • TOWN COUNCIL MEETING - Town Hall 7 pm	12	13
14	15 • Rural Public Arts & Design Advisory Board Meeting - Town Hall - 7 pm AREA 1B BULK	16 • Budget Workshop Council Chambers 7 pm AREA 2B BULK	17 • Fire Advisory Board Meeting - Town Hall 7 pm AREA 3B BULK	18 • Comprehensive Plan Advisory Board Meeting - Town Hall 7 pm	19	20
21	22 AREA 1A BULK	23 • Rolling Oaks Civic Association Meeting Rolling Oaks Barn 17630 SW 56 St. - 7 pm AREA 2A BULK	24 • Flow Mobile DMV Service 10 am - 2 pm By Appointment Only Call Town Hall AREA 3A BULK	25 • TOWN COUNCIL MEETING - Town Hall 7 pm	26	27
28	29 AREA 1B BULK	30 AREA 2B BULK	31 • Sunshine Ranches HOA Wunderbar 4995 SW 148th Ave Regency Square - 7:30 pm AREA 3B BULK			

All Town Council Meetings and Advisory Board meetings will be held in person at Town Hall unless explicitly stated otherwise.

FOLLOW US ON THE TOWN'S OFFICIAL SOCIAL MEDIA

- *Facebook page:* **@SWRGOV**
- *Twitter account:* **@SWR_gov**
- *YouTube:* **Town of Southwest Ranches Official Channel**

- Watch Town Council meetings
- Get updated information on Town events
- Quick notification to followers on emergency management issues

REFLECTIVE ADDRESS MARKERS

HIGHLY VISIBLE DAY OR NIGHT
Order today...
this could help save your life or someone you love.

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WE CAN'T HELP YOU.

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_____ green w/white letters _____ blue w/white letters

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Southwest Ranches Fire Rescue
17220 Griffin Rd,
Southwest Ranches, Fl. 33331

For additional information contact Chief Bennett at 954.868.2057

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EMERGENCY ALERT NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

AlertBroward notifications will provide subscribers with important information in critical countywide situations such as hurricanes, evacuations, curfews, and open shelters.
By signing up you'll receive time-sensitive calls to your home, business or mobile phones.s or emails.

https://www.broward.org/Emergency/Pages/AlertBroward.aspx

ALERT!BROWARD SIGN UP
EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

BROWARD COUNTY FLORIDA

IN TOUCH

TOWN HALL: 13400 Griffin Road / Southwest Ranches, FL 33330 • **PHONE:** (954) 434-0008 • **FAX:** (954) 434-1490
TOWN HALL OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday / 8:30 am - 5:00 pm • **TOWN WEBSITE:** www.southwestranches.org
TOWN HALL TWITTER ACCOUNT: @SWR_Gov • **YOUTUBE:** Town of Southwest Ranches Official Channel • **FACEBOOK:** facebook@SWRGOV

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TOWN SERVICES

BUILDING DEPARTMENT PERMITTING – (CAP GOVERNMENT) M-F 8:30 am - 4:00 pm		
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Joyce Marques, *Permit Technician*	(954) 343-7446	jmarques@capfla.com
PLANNING – (MELLGREN PLANNING GROUP)	(954) 475-3070	michele@tmpgplanning.com
Jeff Katims	(954) 475-3070	jkatims@sepiinc.com
ZONING/PERMITTING		
Julio Medina	(954) 343-7458	zoninginfo@southwestranches.org
CODE		
Julio Medina, *Code Enforcement Director*	(954) 343-7458	jmedina@southwestranches.org
Code Enforcement Hotline	(954) 343-7449	
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WASTE/BULK/RECYCLING SERVICES		
Waste Pro	(954) 967-4200	
REFLECTIVE ADDRESS MARKERS – Chief Bennett	(954) 868-2057	lbennett@southwestranches.org
MOSQUITO CONTROL	(954) 765-4062	
LOST AND FOUND ANIMALS	(754) 224-0877	Facebook@SWRLostandFoundAnimals

PUBLIC SAFETY

EMERGENCY	**911**	
Non-Emergency	(954) 764-4357 (HELP)	
Davie Police Department	(954) 693-8200	
Jeff Hobales, *Detective*	(954) 693-8326	jeffrey_hobales@davie-fl.gov
Cheryl Danner, *Police Services Coordinator*	(954) 693-8352	cdanner@southwestranches.org
Davie Fire Rescue Station 112	(954) 952-4608	
Volunteer Fire Rescue - Chief Bennett	(954) 868-2057	
TRAFFIC AND ROADWAY SERVICES		
Potholes and Signs Down - Public Works		publicworks@southwestranches.org
Illicit Discharge - Environmental Response Line:	(954) 519-1499	online complaint form at **http://www.broward.org/Environment/Resources/Pages/EnviroComplaint.aspx**

OTHER

WATER DISTRICTS - CANALS		
Central Broward Water Control District *East of SW 148 Avenue (Volunteer)*	(954) 432-5110	www.centralbrowardwcd.org
South Broward Drainage District *West of SW 148 Avenue (Volunteer)*	(954) 680-3337	www.sbdd.org
John De los Santos, *Newsletter Layout and Design*	(954) 292-8850	johndelossantos@rocketmail.com

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Back to School

Directions: Circle the words hidden in the puzzle.
The words are spelled vertically and horizontally.

A	L	U	S	C	H	O	O	L	S
H	F	B	O	H	R	A	L	T	M
E	R	E	A	D	I	N	G	E	A
B	I	T	W	S	G	E	R	A	T
O	E	M	A	E	L	U	N	C	H
O	N	R	E	C	E	S	S	H	O
K	D	S	C	I	E	N	C	E	T
S	S	M	A	S	L	E	A	R	N
	A	H	W	R	I	T	I	N	G

Word Box:

school	science	friends
books	math	teacher
learn	writing	lunch
recess	reading	

lights camera... action!

The Town of Southwest Ranches
Rural Public Arts & Design Advisory Board presents...

10th Annual Photo Contest

The theme for 2022 Photo Contest is...

"FUN IN THE RANCHES"

What makes Southwest Ranches unique to you?
(favorite animals, recreation, gardens,, flowers, sunsets, Town events, etc.)

Pictures must be submitted not later than September 5th., 2022.

- One photo per person in household.
- Please provide a photo caption (limit 74 characters).
- Photos must be at least 8 x 10 (landscape).
- Photos must be in the highest definition (resolution) possible.
- No previous photos will be accepted.
- To be considered, all entries must be submitted with the Town's Entry Form.
- Email your photo to:Skutz@southwestranches.org.

This could be your picture!

Call Susan for additional information (954) 343-7460