

SOUTHWEST RANCHER

The Official Newsletter of Southwest Ranches

July 2015

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Mayor
Jeff Nelson

Summer officially began on Sunday June 21st this year.

While we all associate Summer with the beach, barbecues, and lots of sunshine we have to remember that Summer also signifies Hurricane Season. Hurricane Season officially began on June 1st and if you haven't already done so please begin your preparations to safeguard yourselves, your families, and your property. It's not too late!

I urge all of my neighbors to visit FEMA's sponsored website (www.ready.gov) to learn more about preparing themselves by creating emergency kits and making a family communications plan.

The Town celebrated its 15th birthday in June and a wonderful Birthday Bash is being planned for later in the year. While we initially wanted to have an impressive bash on the actual date we felt it would be prudent to hold the celebration when the weather would be cooler and more predictable.

Lastly, Summer also signifies the end of the school year for students and graduation season. Many of them are high school graduates that carry with them the hopes and dreams of a great college education and a bright future. At the June 25th meeting, the Town Council approved the recommendation of the Schools Education Advisory Board (SEAB), and awarded several Southwest Ranches students with cash scholarships towards college expenses. The scholarship fund was

generated through the hard work of the SEAB members, Town volunteers, and staff. Congratulations to all of the recipients. I salute all of you and wish you continued success in the future.

As always, it is an honor and pleasure to serve you!

Jeff



Council Member
Steve Breitkreuz

One of the things I am most proud of in our town is the way we can do things in a non-governmental way. That may entail volunteer work that keeps our costs and taxes down or it may be other ways that we try to do more with less involving various organizations in town or through great new ideas from residents or town staff.

An excellent example of that is the opportunity to bring building permit reviews in house. We have historically had an excellent partner in reviewing our permits. It was a team that we have worked with for many years and they have done a great job. However, our Town Administrator, Andy Berns, working with his staff worked out a plan to bring this portion of zoning and planning in house. Many times it's only when something is broken that we stop and look at it to see how we can fix it and make it better. In this case it was working fine but it was reviewed anyway to see if there was a more efficient way to accomplish the task. And they found that there was!

In the first 6 months of the switch the cost to our residents for moving this in house was \$30,152. If the change had not been made, the cost to our residents would have been \$53,779. That is a savings to our residents who came in for permits of a total of \$23,627. That's an almost 44% decrease in cost. The other benefit is that this service is now available in our town hall rather than having to leave our town to have the service provided. So it is a big plus from a time standpoint as well.

Highly Visible Day or Night
REFLECTIVE ADDRESS MARKERS

ORDER TODAY...
IT MAY HELP SAVE YOUR LIFE OR SOMEONE YOU LOVE.

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\$20.00

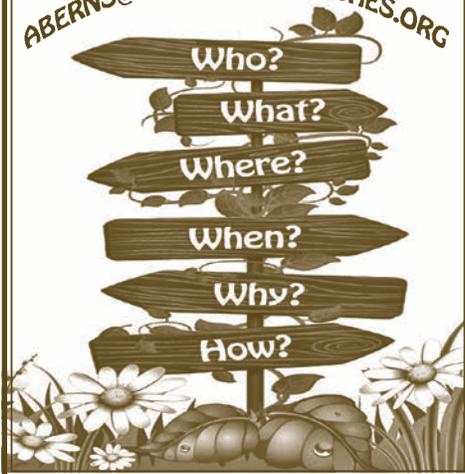
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"HELP YOU"

Make checks payable to:
Southwest Ranches
Fire Rescue

17220 Griffin Rd., S.W. Ranches, FL 33330

For Additional Information Call
Leslie (754) 224-0877

HAVE A QUESTION FOR ANDY?
EMAIL ANDY AT:
ABERNIS@SOUTHWESTRANCHES.ORG



I appreciate our administration always looking to improve things in our town. We have a special place that I am sure we would all pay dearly to maintain. However, it is nice to know that in this case we don't have to!

A MESSAGE FROM OUR TOWN ADMINISTRATOR...

Andy Berns

Congratulations to the Schools and Education Advisory Board for hosting the most successful Food Truck Fundraising event to date on May 30. A good time was clearly had by all who attended! Since the Town provides administrative support to the Board, every penny raised is dedicated to helping Southwest Ranches students pursue their educational goals. Enjoy the pictures in this issue, more information will be provided next month as we thank our sponsors for their generous support.

On another note, we have seen an increase in reports of dogs roaming loose. In fact, Davie Police are forced to respond several times per week to these calls, taking them away from other important matters. Just this week we had four separate loose dog calls for service. Dogs roaming loose may be struck by cars, and can be a threat to children or animals in our community. We request all residents follow Town Code and make certain their dogs are properly contained in their yards. If you take your dog for a walk, please be sure to use a leash and be a good neighbor by cleaning up after your dog.



Vice Mayor Freddy Fisikelli

This has been a month with not a lot of new things to report to you about what is going on in the Town and the area around the Town that have affected us. In my opinion what is happening on Griffin Road west of the bridge west of SW 184th Avenue this section was not made four lanes like the rest of Griffin. A little history of this road was when Weston was built there was an agreement between Broward County and Weston that they would not have to make Orange Drive a major road as it is east of I-75, and they could use Griffin Road to do this but they would have to make Griffin Road a four lane road. When we had meetings on forming our Town that subject was brought and they said was not the present plan. We objected to this and said it had to be done or they would have to remove the bridge so they went back to Weston and a plan was agreed to that Weston would be responsible for building part of the road and Broward County would be responsible to build the other part which was done. But nothing was done with the part west of 184th Avenue. That is why the section west of 186 Avenue is not four lane. One of the persons working on this is a lady Mary Macfie, according to a card I was given she is listed as the 1st Vice President of the Broward Coalition Inc. And she lives in our Town. She is trying to have that section of Griffin

Road made four lane for safety reasons. At our last meeting of the MPO (Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization) she spoke on this subject and the question was asked did her Town have a resolution supporting this and because I am a member of this organization representing the Town of Southwest Ranches. I said I would find out and when I checked with our Town Administrator Andy Berns he informed me we don't. So this is where we are with this subject.

2LT ERIK GONZALEZ



Cadet Gonzalez was born and raised in Southwest Ranches to Mercedes and Rodolfo Gonzalez. He earned a

bachelor's of Science in Criminal Justice from Florida International University. He has been designated to serve as an Infantry Officer where he will attend the Basic Officer Leadership Course at FT Benning Ga., May 17 2015. While enrolled into ROTC Cadet Gonzalez served as the Battalion XO, and Ranger Challenge Captain he received Superior Cadet Award, graduated from Airborne School and earned his Spanish Parachutist Badge.

University: Florida International University
Major: Criminal Justice
Branch: Infantry

AROUND THE TOWN

DAVIE POLICE DEPARTMENT FIREWORKS SAFETY

We at the Davie Police Department want to make sure that everyone has a safe and happy Fourth of July. We also want to remind everyone of the dangers of illegal fireworks and provide a few safety tips to help keep you safe this Independence Day.

- Florida law prohibits any fireworks that fly through the air or explode. Things like roman candles, bottle rockets, mortars, etc.

are all illegal.

- Firework accidents injured nearly 10,000 in the United States last year alone.

So, even if you purchase legal fireworks (sparklers, etc.), please use them in a safe manner by following these safety tips from the National Fire Protection Association:

- Keep a fire extinguisher or water hose on-hand for emergencies. It's a good idea to drop used sparklers in a bucket of water.
- Use sparklers and other legal novelties on a flat, hard surface in an open area. Do not light them on grass.

- Keep children and pets at least 30 feet away from all ignited sparklers.
- Light only one item at a time and never attempt to re-light a "dud."
- Don't use any unwrapped items or items that may have been tampered with.
- Only purchase fireworks from licensed vendors.
- Never allow young children to play with or ignite fireworks. After the firework display, children should never pick up fireworks because they may still be active.
- Never have any portion of your body directly over a fireworks device when lighting the fuse.

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Southwest Ranches FIRE RESCUE

There has been much discussion recently about the Volunteer Fire Department, and we'd like to provide an update on changes made by the Town Council and the operational direction given. Fire operations were reviewed thoroughly last year, and prior to the Council discussion in November, changes were discussed thoroughly by the Town's Fire Advisory Board, composed of Town residents who are also career professional fire service experts.

Prior to last November, we had been staffing 3 firefighters per shift. In order to continue to fund the Volunteer Department, but to do so as cost effectively as possible, the Town Council reduced the 24 hour staffing to 2 firefighters. Stipends paid to firefighters and the Chief and Assistant Chief's salaries were also reduced substantially. These changes, combined with other minor

reductions, have reduced the Town's cost for the Volunteer Department to an anticipated \$378,139 for the current fiscal year.

While the Department does fundraising (such as our very popular Santa runs), the majority of our funding is provided by the Town. Town financial support for the Volunteer Department peaked at \$501,789 in 2014, and is projected at \$298,387 for next fiscal year.

At the Council meeting on May 14, the Council approved the purchase of a new fire truck. Our current truck (Engine 82) is 20 years old, and subject to frequent breakdowns. This costs not only the money to repair, but having this engine on the sidelines makes it difficult to provide the high level of service our residents deserve. The new truck will allow us provide proper service, as well as carry the equipment necessary for both fire and EMS (medical) calls. The

amount approved for the new truck was \$206,497, which will be paid over 8 years, at a tax exempt interest rate of 2.56%. Payment for the truck will come out of our annual budget, and will not be an additional expense.

While Davie Fire Rescue has done an outstanding job protecting our community, given the location of their various stations, coverage out west becomes more of a challenge. Recognizing this, the Council directed us to work with Town staff to relocate the Volunteers from the existing shared station at 17220 Griffin Road to a location further west. We are currently working on this, and are trying to move quickly, yet as cost effectively possible.

Our goal is to provide as high a level of service as possible to the residents of Southwest Ranches. If you have any questions regarding the Volunteer Fire Department, please contact Chief Lee Bennett.

TOWN HALL NEWS



What A Great Success!



**THE SCHOOL
AND EDUCATION
ADVISORY BOARD**

**ENJOYS THE MOST SUCCESSFUL
FOOD TRUCK
EVENT EVER!**

**THANK YOU ALL FOR ATTENDING
SEE YOU NEXT TIME!**



All photos courtesy of BOB HARTMANN





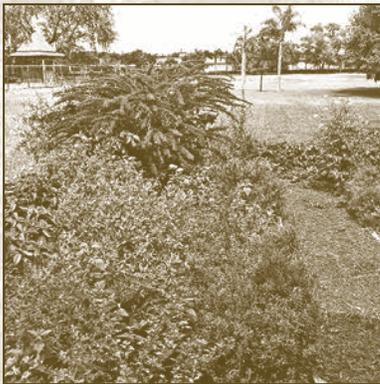
CLYDE CARTER MEMORIAL GARDEN AT NEW HORIZON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN SOUTHWEST RANCHES



As you have read in the previous issues of the Southwest Rancher, the Town is pursuing Community Wildlife Habitat certification through the National Wildlife Federation (NWF). In order to achieve this, we must have a certain amount of community affiliates (i.e. schools, churches, etc.) who also certify. This allows us to accrue the points needed to fulfill our portfolio.



Well, it is with great pride we announce our own New Horizon Methodist Church (5741 S. Flamingo Rd.) as the newest certified habitat! The folks at New Horizon have created an exquisite butterfly garden, complete with passion vine, sage, tickseed, milkweed and more. It lies adjacent to the walkway leading to classrooms. The passerby is greeted with an array of butterfly species, as well as art pieces created by the students.



When asked if the church would participate in our initiative, there was no hesitation. We thank our neighbors for their commitment to community, environment and the enrichment of so many young minds.

Consider a visit, won't you?

REMEMBER!



Hurricane season is here. Please make sure your coggins is up to date!



by Russell Muñiz

**Brief legislation from the
May 14, 2015**

Town Council meeting:

• **Adopted Resolution 2015-044** entering into a lease agreement with Anzco, Inc. trail improvement to Country Estates Park.

• **Adopted Resolution 2015-045** entering into a settlement agreement with Broward County regarding the assets of the Broward Solid Waste Disposal District.

• **Adopted Resolution 2015-046** approving the 2nd modification of agreement with Cleaning Systems, Inc. for janitorial services.

• **Adopted Resolution 2015-047** approving a lease/purchase agreement with Rosenbauer/International for a commercial chassis pumper for the SWRVFR department.

• **Adopted Resolution 2015-048** entering into three interlocal agreements with Broward County for the distribution of gas tax proceeds.

• **Adopted Resolution 2015-049** authorizing litigation against the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (ICE).

• **Adopted Resolution 2015-050** authorizing a financing option with TD Bank for the commercial chassis pumper for the SWRVFR Department.

**Brief legislation from the May 28, 2015
Town Council meeting:**

• **Adopted Resolution 2015-051** approving the 2nd modification with A Superior Towing for town-wide wrecker and towing services.

• **Adopted Resolution 2015-052** approving a lease agreement with C.A.P. Government, Inc. for the leasing of office space at Town Hall.

**Brief legislation from the June 11, 2015
Town Council meeting:**

• **Adopted Resolution 2015-053** supporting the "#SAFERBY4" initiative sponsored by the Department of Children and Families.

• **Adopted Resolution 2015-054** requesting the Broward County Metropolitan Planning Organization amend the Long Range Transportation Plan by removing SW 188th Avenue from Sheridan Street to 63rd Street.

AROUND THE TOWN

VULNERABLE POPULATION REGISTRY

REGISTER NOW... HURRICANE SEASON IS HERE!

The Vulnerable Population Registry is a program that allows people who would be at risk following an emergency to register in advance so that emergency workers may plan a better response during a recovery effort. The Registry is a joint partnership between municipalities and Broward County. Each municipality may use the Vulnerable Population Registry list in a different way, based on their local recovery effort.

WHO SHOULD REGISTER

You should register in the Vulnerable Population Registry if you elect to stay at home during an emergency and have a disability, frailty or health issue that would make you vulnerable in an emergency. If you live in an evacuation zone, you should plan to evacuate. (See the town's web site for the emergency shelter map: www.southwest ranches.org).

HOW DO I REGISTER?

The easiest way to register is online at Broward.org/Atrisk. You can register yourself, or a family member or caregiver can register for you, if you authorize them to do so. If you don't have access to a computer, you can also register by

calling **Town Hall (954) 434-0008**, or the **Broward County Call Center at 311 or 954-831-4000 (TTY 954-831-3940)**.

REMEMBER...

- Register only once. If you move, or no longer want to be included in the Registry, call Town Hall or the Broward County Call Center to update or delete your registration.
- Registration is not a guarantee that you will be provided services or placed on a priority list for emergency responders, but it will help the town to better respond during a recovery effort.
- All information will be held in the strictest confidence as required by State law.

If you have a medical condition that requires a greater level of care than provided at a General Population Shelter, but you do not require hospitalization or a medical institution, a Special Needs Shelter may be appropriate for you. These shelters offer basic medical assistance and monitoring. Pre-registration for the Special Needs Shelter is open throughout the year, and requires your physician's involvement. To request or obtain an application for a Special Needs Shelter, call **Broward County Human Services at 954-357-6385 (TTY 954-357-5608)**. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged to ensure the shelter will be adequately prepared to meet your needs.

SUN SENTINEL KIDS OF CHARACTER 2015



Katherine Schaefer, age 9, resident of our Town of Southwest Ranches and student at Hawkes Bluff Elementary, received the Broward County School District Kid of Character 2015 award at an awards ceremony at the Broward Center of Performing Arts. Out of 260,000 students in the county, 50 students were selected and awarded who exemplified the 8 character traits, cooperation, responsibility, citizenship, kindness, respect, honesty, self-control and tolerance. Over the last year, Katherine has collected over 200 stuffed animals which were delivered to an orphanage in Guatemala, made sandwiches & collected boxes of hygiene products for the homeless in our community, read to special needs children & donated her hair twice to kids with cancer. She constantly & constantly looks for ways to pay it forward as part of her daily life. We are proud to have her as part of our great hometown community!



AARP
DRIVER SAFETY



AARP DRIVER SAFETY CLASS AT SOUTHWEST RANCHES:

AARP will provide a Driving Safety Course for non AARP members and active AARP members here at Town Hall.

Next Class: **July 15th, 9 am - 4 pm**
Barbara Diamond: 954-442-0574

Non AARP - \$20.00
AARP Members - \$15.00

Payments will only be accepted in check or money order.

WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME PHILIP CHORATH

Hello, my name is Philip Chorath and I am pleased to join the community here at the Town of Southwest Ranches and look forward to getting to know everyone. I am a native of Davie, Florida and graduated from high school from Cypress Bay. I then completed my bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from the



University of South Florida in 2013. Afterward, I received my Engineering in Training certificate and interned at the Miami Dade Water and Sewer Department. I am currently working on finishing my

master's degree in Civil Engineering with a focus on Water Resources Engineering at the University of Miami. I hope to make a positive impact at Southwest Ranches and learn as much as possible so that I can one day be licensed as a Professional Engineer.

CODE ENFORCEMENT AND YOU: "BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR, ISSUES THAT AFFECT US ALL"

By: **Robert C. Solera, Code Enforcement Director / Code Services Inc. President**

Our Town of Southwest Ranches is a rural community and strives constantly to maintain the character that our founders and residents envisioned. Many times without realizing we tend to deviate or stray away from this vision, either because we forget or because we are new to our area. This article serves to communicate with our established and new residents that one needs to be conscious of the impact that can be created to adjacent neighbors by our actions and "be a good neighbor". Such issues as excessive noise created by volume, amount of guests attending a party, allowing our landscapers to blow debris and clippings onto the street, allowing our dogs to run loose along the streets and neighborhoods, and the failure to obey speed limit signs, are some of the things that we will be addressing in this article.

• **Noise Limits (volume, time of day), attendees, parking impact**

Recently the Department has seen an increase in the amounts of complaints related to excessive noise beyond a reasonable time. Many cases relate to parties that start late and continue to even later evening hours or early morning hours, creating noise beyond the normal levels. As a reminder, we follow the regulations that are part of Town of Southwest Ranches Unified Land Development Code, Section 035-080 when it relates to noise. Our code does not allow for noise amplified or non-amplified to be audible from an adjacent dwelling or guest house (with closed windows and doors) from the hours of 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. Monday to Friday and 11:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Also as related to New Years' Eve the hours where no amplified or non-amplified noise cannot be heard in the same manner are from 1:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on New Years' Day. In addition, a residential special event assembly application is required if the assembly will be attended by more than 30 people. This permit needs to be submitted within 15 business days from the date of the event.

In addition these parties have presented traffic and parking issues to adjacent neighbors due to the amount of attendees and the parking of vehicles obstructing traffic and side streets. We need to be conscious that a large amount of vehicles parked along our narrow streets and in front of properties, create an impact on our neighbors. The Police Department has been called to these events because cars are blocking traffic lanes, and driveway entrances. Please be mindful of your neighbors and the impact that this issue creates.

• **Landscape Work and Debris**

It has become a common practice for landscape companies and workers to blow their clippings and debris onto our streets in front of the property that they are servicing. As a result and given the fact that we have drainage issues in many areas, the clippings and debris clog the few culverts that are used to dislodge and move the water accumulated on our roads to avoid road flooding. It is imperative that as a resident, you take it upon yourself to notify your landscapers to avoid this practice. In general this is something that the landscaper should do, and that is to collect and dispose of the clippings that are part of their landscape operation. As a requirement, any company that operates in the Town providing landscape services, is required to remove all debris from residences and not place them on the right of way. This practice provides for a more appealing neighborhood while the previous one, serves to reduce the value of our houses which we work hard to maintain and are proud of. Please help us control this issue.

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AROUND THE TOWN

Household Hazardous Waste, Electronics & Bulk Drop Off Event & Shred-A-Thon



NOTE: Event may be canceled due to rain, excessive winds or other hazardous conditions as determined by the Town.

A new service provided for Town Residents only!

Location: Rolling Oaks Park, 5600 SW 178 Ave., SW Ranches. Proof of Residency is required

SAT., JULY 11

8 AM – 2 PM

SHRED-A-THON 10 AM – 2 PM (LIMIT 4 BOXES)

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

Waste Collection

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

TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES - Waste Collection Map & Schedule



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 3 (Wednesday Only)	Area 2 (Tuesday Only)	Area 1 (Monday Only)
July 15	7/8/15 - 7/22/15	7/7/15 - 7/21/15	7/6/15 - 7/20/15
Aug 15	8/5/15 - 8/19/15	8/4/15 - 8/18/15	8/3/15 - 8/17/15 - 8/31/15

RECYCLE collection occurs once per week:

• Area 1 every Monday • Area 2 every Tuesday • Area 3 every Wednesday

• Dogs roaming freely / no leash or out of the yards

When the Code Enforcement Department receives a complaint from either a resident or our Police Department related to loose dogs, a case is created as it is considered to be a nuisance. The law does not allow for dogs to run loose on our streets. It becomes a dangerous proposition for a resident that is walking along the streets, exercising or for children that may be playing. Dogs need to be confined to their yards (following proper maintenance procedures, such as providing water, food and shelter from the elements), or walked on a leash to prevent any and all possible accidents. Many of our residents have been bit by loose dogs, and in other cases we have had instances where dogs are not properly maintained with food or water which is also not legal and will be enforced by the Code Enforcement Department.

• Obeying speed limits signs

The Police Department continues to enforce speeding along our internal streets. Unfortunately, many residents are some of the biggest offenders. We need to obey speed signs, they are there to provide information to drivers that by law they need to follow. The maximum speed on the speed signs are calculated based on the location, width of the street and other factors. The failure to obey speed limit signs, creates two possible outcomes. On one hand, a resident that is walking along our streets or riding a bicycle could be hit by a car, and in addition, you may be ticketed for speeding. Please, for the sake of our children and fellow residents obey speed signs.

As a reminder, the Code Enforcement Department only works based on complaints from residents as it is non pro-active in nature. We believe that

everyone has the right to enjoy their property without any outside intrusion. Notwithstanding this fact when a complaint comes into the Department we have to investigate and provide the corresponding notification to the property owner.

We all live in a beautiful and special Town. The Town of Southwest Ranches would like to ask for our new and established residents to be mindful of these issues and help us continue to maintain the character that we all envisioned. Let's work together to make sure that these simple guidelines are followed, so that we can continue to enjoy the rural lifestyle that we all love so much and moved here for. Enjoy your property but **"be a good neighbor"**. If you have any questions about the above, you can contact the Code Enforcement Department at **(954) 434-0008**.

* Scheduled meetings at time of publication. Items subject to change.

CALENDARS

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

S	M	T	W	T	F	S	
July				1 • Drainage: Infrastructure Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm	2	3 • Town Hall Closed	4 HAPPY FOURTH of JULY • ROCA Independence Day Rolling Oaks Barn
	5 • Aster Knight Parks Foundation Town Hall 7 pm • Country Est. 7 pm Grace Baptist Church 19200 Griffin Road AREA 1 BULK	6	7	8 AREA 3 BULK	9 • Town Council Meeting 7 pm	10	11 • Household Hazardous Waste Event 8 - 2 Shred-A-Thon 10-2 Rolling Oaks Park
	12 • Schools & Ed. Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm	13	14 • Rec., Forestry, & Natural Resources Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm	15 • AARP Driver Safety Class - Town Hall 9 am • Fire Advisory Board - Town Hall 7 pm	16 • Comprehensive Planning Advisory Town 7 pm	17	18
	19 AREA 1 BULK	20 • Rural Public Arts & Design Advisory Meeting - Town Hall 7 pm AREA 2 BULK	21 AREA 2 BULK	22 AREA 3 BULK	23 • Flow Mobile DMV Services 9:30 am - 2:30 pm • Town Council Meeting 7 pm	24	25
	26	27	28 • Rolling Oaks Civics Assn. 7 pm Rolling Oaks Barn 17630 SW 59th Street	29 • Sunshine Ranches Homeowners Assn. Town Hall 7:30 pm	30	31	
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IN TOUCH

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Town Hall Office Hours: Monday - Friday / 8:30 am - 5:00 pm • **Town Website:** www.southwestranches.org

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Planning, Zoning, Permitting & Certificate of Use

Building Department/Permitting	M-F 8:00 am - 4:00 pm	
Lisa Reices	(954) 888-9882/Fax: (954) 888-9860	lreices@capfla.net
Building Director, Dave Tringo	(954) 888-9882/Cell: (954) 605-0127	dtringo@swranches.org
Planning M-F	M-F 9:00 am - 5:00 pm	
The Mellgren Planning Group	(954) 475-3070, ext 803	
Zoning & Permitting	(954) 434-0008	zoninginfo@swranches.org
Code Services, Inc.		

Code Compliance:

Enforcement Director, Robert Solera	(954) 343-7440	rsolera@swranches.org
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Administrative Coordinator, Yanni Marin	(954) 343-7459	ymarin@swranches.org

Police/Fire/Rescue Services

Emergency	911	
CSA Bill Gallagher at Town Hall	8:30 am - 5 pm	(954) 693-8352
Non-Emergency		(954) 764-4357 (HELP)
Davie Police Department		(954) 693-8200
Davie Fire Rescue Station 112		(954) 680-0020
Southwest Ranches Volunteer Fire Rescue		(954) 343-7466

Traffic and Roadway Services (To Report Signs Down - Potholes)

Paving, Potholes and Signs: Emily McCord	(954) 343-7453	emccord@swranches.org
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Waste/Bulk/Recycling Services (Residential & Commercial)

Southern Waste Systems, (SWS) LLC	(888) 800-7732	
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Water Districts - Canals (Permits)

Central Broward Water Control District	(954) 432-5110	www.centralbrowardwcd.org
East of SW 148 (Volunteer) Avenue		
South Broward Drainage District	(954) 680-3337	www.sbdd.org
West of SW 148 (Volunteer) Avenue		

Well and Septic

Broward County Health Department	(954) 467-4700, ext 4233	
Environmental Complaint Hotline, Broward County	(954) 831-1499	

Lost and Found Animals

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