

CITY OF PINE LAKE
MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 28, 2017
7:30 PM

Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Melanie Hammet at 7:30 p.m. Present were the Mayor, Council members Brandy Hall, Megan Pulsts, Augusta Woods, Jean Bordeaux and Tonja Holder. Also present were Chief Sarai Y'Hudah-Green, Administrator Valerie Caldwell and Attorney Laurel Henderson.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Hammet.

Announcements/Communication

The Mayor:

- Announced that she, resident Susan Edwards, and Judge L'Erin Wiggins met and that the Judge will open court on April 20th for the kids to observe.
- Announced that on June 4th at 2:00pm at the Beach House the Kids Town Hall; ages seven and older will have a mock murder trial because they are interested in murder and limar court cases.
- Communicated that the downed tree at the lake will be removed on April 11th instead of March 29th due to the complication of the job. She stated that the children are crazy about the huge tree and there will be a six-foot section cut out and set aside for them to sign. Hammet also had a meeting with resident C. J. Wilson who does Wood Burning and Carving and the kids will be allowed to put they names on the section as a piece of art with Wilson's assistance.
- Was interviewed on Channel WABE on March 28th and commented on the staff and government body that is predominantly female and the amount of work that has been achieved.

Holder:

- Announced that she and Susan Edwards are taking names of residents that are interested in the Organic Community Garden and that the plot fee is \$20.00.

Woods:

- Communicated that Interim Pastor Jerry Graham, Pine Lake Baptist Church thanked the city for providing the Club House as a charging station during the power outage. She and Hammet thanked Missye Varner, Administrative Assistant for staying throughout the day to assist after she was released to go home due to no power in City Hall. The church provided snacks and coffee for the residents.

Pulsts:

- Announced there will be a Town Hall Meeting on annexation on March 29th at 7:00pm in the Beach House.

Adoption of Agenda

Pulsts amended the agenda adding to amend the budget approved for removal of tree at the lake under old business and discussion of the 2017 Lake/Beach season under new business. Holder motioned to adopt the amended agenda; seconded by Bordeaux and approved 5-0.

Public Comments

There were not any at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of meeting held:

- 03/13/17- Pulsts motioned to approve the minutes; seconded by Bordeaux and approved 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Second Reading and Approval of Ordinance Changing Start Time for Council Meetings

Holder motioned to approve the ordinance; seconded by Woods and approved 5-0.

Amending the budget approved for removal of tree at the lake

The budget was adjusted to \$5,220.00 for Boutte Tree, Inc. for tree removal services for fallen oak tree at the lake.

Discussion of Annexation

There was discussion to form a committee and a work group within the committee to collect data only. Hammet recommended one anchor council member as the liaison. The next annexation meeting is March 29th at 7:00pm in the Beach House.

NEW BUSINESS

2017 Lake/Beach Schedule & Rules

The official opening for the lake/beach will be May 29th Memorial Day and close on October 8th. The rules will be revisited for revisions if needed. There was also discussion of bathroom issues especially during private events at the beach house. A porta potty will be delivered for the official opening and prior to opening it will be swim at your own risk.

Public Comments

Matt Pulsts 640 Olive Road commented that having another bathroom at the beach house was not viable because the outside plumbing had issues.

Chief Green commented on the manner at which the staff, public works and Pine Lake Baptist Church unified during the power outage to make the charging station at Club House a great success. She also appreciated the Mayor and Council for checking in throughout the day.

Mayor's Comments

There were not any at this time.

Council Comments

Woods stated that she has been in contact with Greg Fender of Georgia Municipal Association and that there is a service that is offered to members to assure that cities are getting all the franchise taxes due.

Hall provided an update on the Arts Fence at Public Works and said that two additional panels were installed and next was the planting of the bamboo.

Adjournment - Holder motioned to approve at 8:51pm; seconded by Pulsts and approved 5-0.

Missye Varner, Administrative Assistant