

**CITY OF PINE LAKE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 27, 2017  
6:00 PM**

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**Call to order**

Mayor Melanie Hammet called the Public Hearing to order at 6:02 p.m. Present were Mayor Pro Tem Megan Pulsts and council members Augusta Woods, Jean Bordeaux and Tonja Holder. Also present were City Administrator Valerie Caldwell and City Attorney Laurel Henderson. Chief Sarai Y'Hudah-Green arrived at 7:02 pm. Council member Brandy Hall was not in attendance.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Final Public Hearing for input into the setting of 2017 Millage Rate**

Mayor Hammet opened the public hearing at 6:05pm and stated that the millage rate was to be set at 22.20; she also said that DeKalb County was considering a millage rate reduction of 0.002241 to be voted on 7/11/17.

**Public Comments**

Nancy Carter 627 Ivy Road, asked if there was break down information of the increase for stormwater and plot taxes per house hold and questioned raising sanitation fees. Bordeaux informed her that there was an increase in the stormwater fees. There was also discussion about assessment freezing.

Amy Colburn 654 Laurel Road, asked about a tax freeze that former Mayor Greg Zarus talked about. She also stated that she did not apply for an assessment and that her taxes increased.

Following the public input Hammet closed the public hearing at 6:27pm and opened the regular meeting.

Mayor Hammet called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:28 pm

**Pledge of Allegiance** was led by the Mayor.

**Adoption of Resolution Establishing 2017 Millage Rate**

Pulsts motioned to adopt the millage rate at 22.20; seconded by Holder. 4-0.

**Announcements/Communication**

Hammet:

- Will get interested parties together for a park and lake action group with residents Heidi Parloto and Stephanie (no last name) spearheading the group. They met last week and on July 11<sup>th</sup> there will a meeting to select a committee. Volunteers were welcomed to the group.
- Appreciated the attitudes of the community and stated that the tone was calm as it related to the last meeting regarding facility rentals

- Stated that the work continues with Georgia Power's Economic Development for incentives for the 13 acres that are for sale on Rockbridge & Allgood Road
- Thanked Bordeaux and Woods for their outlining work and gathering information. She thanked the city administrator and members of council for the good work on setting the millage rate

Holder:

- Annexation Meeting on July 5, 2017 at the Court House at 6:30 and appreciates Bordeaux, Hammet and the residents for working very hard

### **Adoption of Agenda**

Hammet added a brief discussion of the lake under new business. Pulsts motioned to adopt the amended agenda; seconded by Bordeaux. 4-0.

### **Public Comments**

Amy Colburn 654 Laurel Road, inquired about the environmental and ecology impact of the mosquitoes being sprayed and the effect on the honey bees. She voiced her concern for suntan and sun screen lotions in the lake.

Hammet stated that Hall has information and is working on the Bee City & Climate Change resolution. The Mayor said that Hall got pushback on the climate change agent.

### **Consent Agenda**

#### **Approval of Minutes of meetings held: 05/30/17 & 06/12/17**

Pulsts motioned to approve the minutes with revisions; seconded by Bordeaux. 4-0.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Facility Rental Use Policy Update – Council member Holder**

There was discussion of the current policy and revisions were made to the agreement. Topics of discussion were private security, compensation for security and rentals with alcohol past 10:00 pm. If city officers are utilized they will be paid by the renter or if they elect to hire a post certified officer from a private security company it must be approved by Chief Green.

#### **Update for Memorial Sound Sculpture Installation – Council member Holder**

Lindsey Sweeney stated that the musical chime was ordered and will be delivered by July 27<sup>th</sup>. It will be installed at the road before the western wetlands.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Adoption Resolution for Budget Amendment**

Holder motioned to adopt the resolution for the budget amendment for training for the Chief of Police; seconded by Pulsts. 4-0.

### **Brief Discussion of Beach/Park**

Topics of discussion were activities on the beach, complaints of dogs on the beach and management of the area and parking. Hammet suggested that illegal parking and management needs to be policy driven. She recommended that police enforce parking and Pulsts suggested no parking zones. Chief Green and the police will enforce the parking areas and will be present at rentals for supervision until the new security takes place. The Mayor requested that the area be respected and that it is a beautiful place.

Pulsts asked for a map where the no parking zones are within the city.

### **Public Comments**

Amy Colburn asked if there was a cap on the number of people occupying the beach house and about persons renting and paying for security. She also asked if the security would protect the neighborhood and Holder replied that they would only protect the facility.

Raoul Martinez asked for clarity of facilities at both properties. He also recommended placement of the musical chime be placed in the memorial park across from the Police Department.

Greg Creech 459 Spruce Drive said that he wanted his monument to be on Duck Island.

### **Mayor's Comments**

Hammet said that Lindsey Sweeny had created the perfect model for getting things accomplished for the city as it relates to solutions, funding and resolve. The mayor stated that her model would be beautiful for the city to follow.

### **Council Comment**

There were not any at this time.

### **Executive Session**

Personnel- Pulsts motioned at 7:30 pm; seconded by Bordeaux. 4-0.

At 8:37 Holder moved to adjourn from executive session; seconded by Woods.

### **Adjournment**

Bordeaux moved to adjourn from council meeting; seconded by Holder at 8:38 p.m.

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Missye Varner, Administrative Assistant

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