

**CITY OF PINE LAKE
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 27, 2018
7:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Mayor Melanie Hammet.

Present – Mayor Hammet, Council members Jean Bordeaux, Kris Casariego, Brandy Hall, Megan Pulsts and Augusta Woods. Staff present included Chief Green and City Administrator Valerie Caldwell.

Mayor Hammet led the Pledge of Allegiance

Announcements / Communications

Pulsts announced that representatives from DeKalb Sanitation would be on site during the PLAIN Pancake Breakfast to assist citizens in signing up for recycling and providing containers.

Hall stated she was waiting to hear back Foodwell Alliance regarding the grant to develop an Urban Agriculture Program for Pine Lake.

Bordeaux reported that PLAIN had sponsored a Thanksgiving Luncheon for the teachers at Rockbridge Elementary School.

Hammet reported she had been elected as 2019 Vice President of the DeKalb Municipal Association.

Adoption of Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda as presented was made by Pulsts, 2nd by Woods and unanimously approved.

Public Comments – None

Public Hearing on the 2019 Budget

Bordeaux presented the proposed budget highlighting and explaining significant changes from the current year budget. Mayor Hammet opened the public hearing asking for comments in favor or opposition to the proposal. No comments were forthcoming, and the public hearing was closed. Council members questioned a

few line items and were provided the requested information. Mayor Hammet announced that this is scheduled for a vote at the December 10th Council meeting.

Presentation by Robby Bowen

At the City's request Mr. Robbie Bowen attended the meeting to discuss costs of service to evaluate health of the lake including fish count, aquatic wildlife evaluation, water quality and aquatic plant conditions. Mr. Bowen began by outlining his previous participation with restocking of the lake following streambank restoration and dredging in 2011. He stated that the lime had been introduced at that time and which is typically beneficial for six to seven years depending on the flow rate of the lake. He also stated that the lake had been stocked with to eat the vegetation. Those carp were now coming to an end of their life cycle. He continued stating the lake appeared to be in good condition but suggested that the city contact DNR for signage prohibiting the introduction of fish in the lake. When asked the benefits of placing a fountain in the lake, he stated it would assist with aeration and estimated the cost \$2,500 to \$14,000 depending on size and lighting options selected. Mr. Bowen suggested testing the PH balance of the lake with both wet and dry weather screenings, beginning in the March – April time frame. He estimated the cost to reintroduce sterile grass carp to eat any excess vegetation to be between \$1,000 and \$1,200 if determined to be necessary. Following a brief discussion, it was the consensus of council to proceed with the testing in early spring and contacting Mr. Bowen at that time.

Public Comments – None

Executive Session

Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a real estate matter was made by Pulsts, seconded by Bordeaux and approved 5-0. Motion to adjourn Executive Session and reconvene in regular session was made by Pulsts, seconded by Bordeaux and unanimously approved.

Mayor's Comments – None

Council Comments – None

Adjournment – Upon motion by Hall, 2nd by Woods. 5-0.