

**CITY OF PINE LAKE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 13th, 2024 at 7:00 PM
Council Chambers
459 Pine Drive, Pine Lake, GA**

Call to Order: Mayor Pro Tem Jean Bordeaux called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Jean Bordeaux, Council Member Augusta Woods, and Council Member Thomas Torrent. Also present were City Manager ChaQuias Miller-Thornton, Chief of Police Sarai Y'hudah-Green, and Assistant City Clerk Ned Dagenhard. Mayor Brandy Hall, Council Member Jeff Goldberg, and City Attorney Susan Moore were not in attendance.

Announcements/Communications

Mayor Pro Tem Bordeaux opened the meeting by referencing a variance application that had been filed with DeKalb County regarding a property just outside Pine Lake city limits. The Mayor Pro Tem thanked members of the public for their attention to the application and related project. The Mayor Pro Tem added that the City Manager was preparing a package for the DeKalb County Zoning Appeals Board in response to the variance request.

Adoption of the Agenda of the Day

Council Member Woods moved to adopt the agenda of the day; Council Member Torrent seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Adoption of the Minutes

- Regular Meeting – January 30, 2024

Council Member Torrent moved to approve the minutes from the January 30th Regular Meeting; Council Member Woods seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

- 1. Ordinance 2024-01 - Amendment to Chapter 2, ARTICLE II, DIVISION 2 of the City of Pine Lake Code of Ordinances Regarding Council Meetings – Second Read and Adoption**

Council Member Torrent performed the second read of Ordinance 2024-01.

Council Member Woods moved to adopt Ordinance 2024-01; Council Member Torrent seconded, and the Council entered discussion.

The Mayor Pro Tem, City Council, and City Manager discussed the layout of the amended meeting structure, including when and at what frequency

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department and Council reports would be given. The City Council also decided that the new meeting times, as well as alternating work sessions, would begin at the first meeting in March.

Mayor Pro Tem Bordeaux called for a vote; all members of the body voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Reports and Other Business

ChaQuias Miller-Thornton — City Manager (Director of Administration, Courts and Public Works)

Please refer to the link to access the City Manager's report dated February 13th, 2024. Please email neddagenhard@pinelakega.net to request a copy or call (404) 999- 4931 to schedule an appointment to review the copy on file.

Chief Sarai Y'Hudah-Green — Chief of Police, Public Safety

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City Council

Mayor Pro Tem Bordeaux announced that the previous afternoon, she, Council Member Woods, and City Manager Miller-Thornton attended a luncheon with the DeKalb County delegation of the Georgia General Assembly, and leaders from other municipalities in the county. The purpose of the meeting was to highlight priorities of each city, and for the Delegation to discuss how various bills before the Assembly may benefit the DeKalb cities. The Mayor Pro Tem added that some of the legislation presented deals with short-term rentals ("Air BnB"), a topical issue within the Pine Lake community and among members of Council.

Pine Lake "E Blast"

News

Changes to Time and Structure of City Council Meetings: Starting March 12th, all council meetings will be held at **6:00 PM** rather than 7:00 PM.

Meetings held on the second Tuesday of each month at **6:00 PM** will be designated as work sessions. Work sessions will include staff reports, presentations, discussion, public comment, and previewing of items expected to be on the agenda at the regular meeting. No votes will be taken at the work

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session unless a special called meeting is requested.

Regular council meetings will be held on the last Tuesday of each month at **6:00 PM**. During these meetings, public comment will be heard, announcements and communications will be shared, and issues will be discussed and votes will be taken.

Upcoming Events

Saturday February 17th: Come and meet our Pine Lake Police officers at the Clubhouse 12:00 Noon – 1:00 PM, following morning officer training session.

March 12th Election: On March 12th, 2024, a special election will be held in conjunction with the 2024 Presidential Preference Primary Election, to fill the unexpired Council term of Brandy Hall which is set to expire December 31, 2025. Two candidates have qualified for this election, Tom Ramsey and Tommie Storms.

Advanced voting will be held Monday, February 19th through Friday, March 8th, 2024. For all Dates and Locations link to DeKalb County Advance Voting.

The special election will be held in the regular polling place, City of Pine Lake Clubhouse, 470 Clubhouse Drive, Pine Lake, Georgia 30072. The polls will open at 7:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM

Ongoing

The February 27th Regular Meeting will be at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers.

Starting March 12th Council Meetings are the second and last Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers/Courthouse at the corner of Forest and Pine. Mask at your own discretion. Council Meeting Agendas and Minutes.

Adjournment: Council Member Torrent motioned for adjournment at 7:46pm.

S/ Ned Dagenhard

Ned Dagenhard
Assistant City Clerk

S/ ChaQuias Miller-Thornton

ChaQuias Miller-Thornton
Acting City Clerk