

**TOWN OF PINE LEVEL  
MINUTES OF REGULAR  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
JANUARY 14, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Pro tem Phil Pittman called a regular meeting of the Pine Level Board of Commissioners to order Monday, January 14, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Pine Level Town Hall, after he announced that a quorum was present.

**ROLL CALL**

√ Commissioner Karen Anderson-Miller  
√ Commissioner Greg Baker  
√ Commissioner Jimmy Garner  
√ Commissioner Phil Pittman (Mayor Pro tem)  
X Mayor Jeff Holt

**STAFF PRESENT**

Town Attorney Will Barham, Consultant Dan Simmons, Public Works Superintendent Ray Stuckey, Police Chief Keith Sparks, and Deputy Clerk Connie Capps.

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE**

Commissioner Greg Baker gave the invocation and Commissioner Karen Anderson led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion to approve: Commissioner Karen Anderson  
Second: Commissioner Greg Baker  
Vote: Unanimous

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES - DECEMBER 10, 2018**

Motion to approve: Commissioner Greg Baker  
Second: Commissioner Karen Anderson  
Vote: Unanimous

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

## **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

**Planning Board-** Terry Rains stated that no meeting was held in December due to lack of business.

**Seniors-** Commissioner Phil Pittman reported for the Seniors which met on January 9<sup>th</sup> he said they had a good meeting with a representative from NCDOT present to discuss the new interchanges from Princeton to Wilsons Mills.

## **REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS**

**Fire Department:** Fire Chief Brannan Barbee stated that last year the department had answered to a total of 488 calls. He said 46% of those calls were EMS calls and the rest were fire calls. He said 45% of those calls were in the city limits of Pine Level and 55% were in the rural district. He also informed the board that there would be an ISO inspection on June 3, 2019.

**Street Department:** Commissioner Greg Baker reported that the town was continuing to use the old garbage truck until a part comes in for the other garbage truck; and waiting on the final word for patching and paving. Ray Stuckey said he had approval for paving, and it would be done soon as weather permits.

**Water & Sewer:** Commissioner Pittman stated that the town had been having problems with the East Side Sewer Station. Large amounts of debris and mopheads have been found in the pumps causing problems and damaging the pump stations, which are not cheap to repair. Ray Stuckey said they cannot tell exactly where they are coming from, but said he wanted the citizens to be aware of this problem and wanted a message placed on the water bills.

Dan Simmons reported on the new well. He said the water tested with radium in it. He said another large sample has been sent to see if they can prove if they can get rid of it and how much it would cost to do so. He said this could take months. He stated that we are setting that project aside for right now and starting on the bigger projects which is the water and sewer lines. He said we also need to submit paperwork for the garbage truck. He said due to the government shut down, it has held up the process.

## **REPORTS FROM STAFF**

Mayor Pro tem Phil Pittman stated that Town Clerk Sharon Thompson is coming in briefly on some days and he wanted to thank Deputy Clerk Connie Capps and Billie Kay Twigg for working hard to keep the town moving forward with everything.

**POLICE:** Chief Sparks stated he had officially submitted his retirement paperwork and that he would be retiring on February 28, 2019.

**RECREATION:** Commissioner Karen Anderson-Miller reported on the Recreation Department due to the absence of Scottie Hayes. She said basketball games have begun and will continue

until March 2<sup>nd</sup>. There are 15 teams this year. The baseball/softball/tee ball signups will begin next week and will be for boys and girls ages 4-12. The Recreation Committee are selling tickets for the reverse raffle which will be on March 9<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$50 with a chance to win \$4,000. The drawing will be held at the Pine Level Elementary cafeteria.

Commissioner Karen Anderson-Miller also went over an inspection checklist for the park. She stated that there were several repairs and paving that needed to be done when weather permits.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A Resolution authorizing an Amendment to the Town's Personnel Policy was submitted to be added to Article VIII. Types of Leave, Section 2. Vacation Leave. This policy would allow for the transfer of vacation leave to sick leave upon retirement. A copy of this resolution is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by reference.

Motion to adopt resolution: Commissioner Karen Anderson-Miller

Second: Commissioner Jimmy Garner

Vote: Unanimous

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### APPOINTMENT TO JOHNSTON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD

Mayor Pro tem Phil Pittman stated that Johnston County appoints one person to represent each municipality on the Economic Development Advisory Board. He said Randy Jones had previously represented Pine Level and he has reapplied for another term. Commissioner Jimmy Garner made a motion to recommend approval of Randy Jones to fill this position and Commissioner Greg Baker seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous vote.

### **MEETING ADJOURNED**

There being no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 7:20p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Jimmy Garner

2<sup>nd</sup>: Commissioner Karen Anderson-Miller

Vote: Unanimous

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Deputy Clerk

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Mayor