A G E N D A
April 9, 2018
7:00 p.m.

1. Call to order and roll call
2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of agenda
4. Approval of minutes: 03-12-18
5. Public comment
6. Reports from committees
7. Reports from departments
8. Reports from staff
9. Unfinished business
   A. Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance
   B. Other
10. New business
11. Mayor’s minute
12. Announcements
13. Adjournment
CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jeff Holt called a regular meeting of the Pine Level Board of Commissioners to order at 7:05 p.m. on Monday, April 9, 2018 at the Pine Level Town Hall.

ROLL CALL

X COMMISSIONER KAREN ANDERSON

COMMISSIONER GREG BAKER

X COMMISSIONER JIMMY GARNER

X COMMISSIONER PHIL PITTMAN

X MAYOR JEFF HOLT

STAFF PRESENT

Town Attorney Will Barham, Consultant Dan Simmons, Recreation Coordinator Scottie Hayes, Public Works Supt. Ray Stuckey, Planning Chairman Randy Jones, and Town Clerk Sharon Thompson

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Commissioner Pittman gave the invocation, remembering in particular the family of Rudolph Jones, former mayor of Pine Level who recently passed away. Mayor Holt then asked Terry Rains to lead everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA

MOTION TO APPROVE: Anderson
SECOND: Pittman
VOTE: unanimous

MINUTES: 03-12-18

MOTION TO APPROVE: Garner
SECOND: Anderson
VOTE: unanimous
PUBLIC COMMENT

The mayor then asked if anyone wished to address the board on a non-agenda item. Berry Godwin was first to address the board. He commented once more on the house at the corner of Herring Street and US Highway 70-A. He said the situation there had been going on a long time and many people were riding through that area every day and he felt it was a blight to the town. He asked that it be addressed more forcefully and taken care of. Commissioner Garner said they would need to address the many other cars in town if they remove that one car. Randy Jones also addressed the board, and asked that the town address the situation on Davis Mill Road, Peedin Road and other areas where the state highway project has messed up the pavement in town. Mayor Holt said he already spoke with Giles Harrell, NCDOT District Engineer, concerning the issue, and they were aware of it.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Randy Jones said the Planning Board did not come to a conclusion on the business moving in downtown, but left it up to Scottie Hayes, Zoning Administrator. The Seniors group will meet Wednesday this month.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

RECREATION: Commissioner Anderson. Coach pitch tournament going on at the park on three fields for next two weeks. Reecy Cup tournament this weekend. Will try to close off Crescent Street for kids’ safety. Scottie Hayes said fireworks are lined up for July Fourth. There are six teams to play baseball/softball this summer.

POLICE: Commissioner Garner. Things going well with police department. School will soon get out; kids will be active everywhere in town. Budget coming up, hope to add more police coverage. Town is annexing and spreading out, stretching the police coverage thin.

WATER/SEWER: Commissioner Pittman. Talked with Commissioner Baker about garbage pickup and street resurfacing. Mayor said he was glad to have Dan Simmons back at tonight’s meeting, after he experienced serious health issues. Mr. Simmons reported that he and Gene Cobb met with Judy Hunt, USDA representative, and got back on track with her and the water/sewer project. Hope to bid well project in a week. Project is to be finished in three years, from August 2017. Mayor Holt noted that the government now requires that all component parts be “American made” and that may affect the project that can be completed, since those parts may cost more than the ones that were originally in the specs. He said Pine Level’s project was not exempted, even though it was underway before the new requirements came into play.

FIRE DEPT: Firemen’s Day coming up May 12. Informational meeting being held Tuesday night at the fire station, concerning ISO ratings, upgrading vehicles, fire dept. staff, etc.

REPORTS FROM STAFF

Board voted unanimously to approve 2017-2018 budget amendments to bring budget up to date.

MOTION: Garner
SECOND: Pittman
VOTE: unanimous

2018 FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE

The board then considered the updated flood damage prevention ordinance, a model of which was provided by the NC Department of Public Safety and a public hearing held at the regular meeting in March. Mayor Holt said the town has a current ordinance in place, which was adopted in 2004, but it has to be updated from time to time, and this update would include a revision to the town’s flood plain maps. Will Barham pointed out that the town has an interlocal agreement with Johnston County that would allow them to administer building inspection and flood plain administration for the town, and they will
continue to do so. The town clerk pointed out that the new ordinance specifies the “mayor or his designee” to serve as the town’s floodplain administrator, and the mayor can then designate the county inspections office to administer the ordinance. Mr. Barham said the town would probably have a FEMA Community Assistance visit in the future to assure compliance, but he felt the ordinance was at a point where the town could adopt it. The board voted unanimously to adopt the 2018 Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, as presented. A copy is included with and hereby made a part of these minutes by reference.

MOTION: Pittman
SECOND: Garner
VOTE: unanimous

Will Barham, town attorney, said the other issues that were on hold had to do with the town’s dumpsite and the VFW building. Mayor Holt said he has not heard anything further on the dump property. He said he would talk with the VFW members and see who was authorized to sign paperwork on behalf of the VFW. Commissioner Anderson commented that the corner of the VFW outside building is actually on pool property. Randy Jones agreed that was true, that they built a shelter and then enclosed it and that part was actually on pool property.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Holt said the National Day of Prayer was coming up on Thursday, May 3, 2018, and it would be observed with a small ceremony at the town hall. He said there would be fourth grade classes coming to visit Tuesday morning at the town hall, and he would be addressing them. He also said the clerk has been hard at work on the upcoming budget and they could probably look at that at the meeting on May 14.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business, at 7:30 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

MOTION: Garner
SECOND: Anderson
VOTE: unanimous

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TOWN CLERK

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MAYOR