# TOWN OF PINE LEVEL MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING JULY 12, 2010 7:00 P.M.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Jeff Holt called a regular meeting of the Pine Level Board of Commissioners to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 12, 2010 at the Pine Level Town Hall.

## **ROLL CALL**

- \_\_x\_\_COMMISSIONER KAREN ANDERSON
- \_\_X\_\_COMMISSIONER JIMMY GARNER
- \_\_X\_\_COMMISSIONER ANTHONY GUDAC
- \_\_X\_\_COMMISSIONER PHIL PITTMAN
- X MAYOR JEFF HOLT

#### STAFF PRESENT

Town Attorney Frank Wood, Consultant Dan Simmons, Police Chief Keith Sparks, Public Works Superintendent Ray Stuckey, Town Clerk Sharon Thompson

#### **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

Mayor Holt gave the invocation and Commissioner Pittman led the Pledge of Allegiance. The mayor then welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ADDITIONS: DELETIONS:

Budget amendment consideration (JH) Senior citizens watch (JG) Closed session to consult with attorney (JH)

MOTION TO ADOPT: Gudac SECOND: Pittman VOTF: unanimous

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 06-14-10

MOTION TO APPROVE: Anderson

SECOND: Gudac VOTE: unanimous

# PUBLIC COMMENT

Kester Kornegay questioned whether or not the town has a noise ordinance. He told about a loud party that took place on July 3rd at the American Legion, and the police going out and finally disbanding the party about 1:30 a.m. The mayor said there are three buildings in town that are rented out for social gatherings, and sometimes they do get loud. The chief said he could get a copy of their rental agreements and see if they include a time

limit. Mayor Holt said the town might need to readdress noise control and involve those three organizations in the discussions. He suggested taking a look at the issue next month.

#### REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

PLANNING BOARD: Mayor Holt reported that the Planning Board has completed their review of the Voluntary Agricultural District ordinance from the county, and they recommended approval of the ordinance for the town and ETJ. The board agreed to let the town attorney review the ordinance one last time before taking action on it.

SENIORS GROUP: Meet next Wednesday morning. Now meeting in their fifth year.

#### REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

STREETS: Commissioner Garner. Everything going well, no complaints.

RECREATION: Commissioner Anderson. Registering for fall sports. Field work complete, grass sown on new fields. July Fourth celebration went well, fireworks were good. Mayor said the entertainment was good and there was a big crowd.

POLICE: Commissioner Gudac. Police participated in a raid on a local residence, arrested several on drug charges. One detained caused minor damage to a police car. Police department being "seen" when and where needed and doing good work. Chief said he would like to talk with the county inspections office about February and get approved for fireworks as large as 6-inch shells.

WATER/SEWER: Commissioner Pittman. Hot time working on the street crews. Not a problem with infiltration lately since there has been no rain to speak of. Will be painting new water tank in near future.

#### **BUDGET AMENDMENT CONSIDERATION**

Mayor Holt mentioned that the adopted budget included a provision for \$3,000 to reimburse employees for out-of-pocket insurance costs, since the deductible was increased earlier this year to \$2,000 to save the town thousands in employee insurance expense. He said there was some discrepancy over whether or not to include it in the budget. Commissioner Anderson said she thought they were keeping it in the budget, Commissioner Garner said he did not think they were keeping it. He then made a motion to amend it from the budget and it passed on a vote of four to one.

MOTION: Garner SECOND: Gudac

VOTE: yes - Commissioners Garner, Gudac, Pittman, Mayor Holt

no - Commissioner Anderson

#### SENIOR CITIZENS WATCH

Commissioner Garner suggested that the town start checking on the many senior citizens who live in town. He said they used to do it and could do it again, and maybe all of the employees could be involved, not just the police. Commissioner Gudac asked if the police still do well-being checks. Chief Sparks said most of the ones they checked on had passed away. He also said their checks were for those seniors who lived alone or who had mobility problems. Commissioner Gudac suggested the seniors group could help with this. Commissioner Pittman said he would talk with Mrs. Janice White, who heads up the seniors group.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

The board then entered closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3), to consult with the town attorney to consider and give instructions to him concerning a potential claim against the town. All board members were in attendance, along with the town attorney, consultant and town clerk. After a short discussion concerning a legal issue, regular session resumed.

# MEETING ADJOURNED

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Gudac SECOND: Anderson VOTE: unanimous

TOWN CLERK		
MAYOR		