

TOWN OF PINE LEVEL MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING SEPTEMBER 16, 2019 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, September 16, 2019 at the Pine Level Town Hall.

ROLL CALL

- X COMMISSIONER KAREN ANDERSON-MILLER
- __X_COMMISSIONER GREG BAKER
- ____COMMISSIONER JIMMY GARNER (sick)
- X COMMISSIONER PHIL PITTMAN
- __X__MAYOR JEFF HOLT

STAFF PRESENT

Town Attorney Will Barham, Consultant Dan Simmons, Police Chief Ashley Woodard, Parks and Recreation Coordinator Scottie Hayes, Public Works Supt. Ray Stuckey and Town Clerk Sharon Thompson

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Mayor Holt asked Commissioner Pittman to give the invocation and Terry Rains to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. He then welcomed everyone to the meeting.

AGENDA

MOTION TO ADOPT: Pittman

SECOND: Baker VOTE: unanimous

MINUTES: 08-12-19

MOTION TO APPROVE: Anderson-Miller

SECOND: Baker VOTE: unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENT

Terry Rains commended the town employees for going "above and beyond" as they helped with hauling off debris after his mother died.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

PLANNING BOARD: Terry Rains said the Planning Board had nothing to report.

SENIORS GROUP: Commissioner Pittman said the Seniors met last week and heard from Sheriff Steve Bizzell. He also asked that Dwight Sorrells be remembered in prayer. Mayor Holt read a card of thanks from the Seniors for the meal last month that was provided by the town.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

STREETS: Commissioner Baker. Talked with Ray Stuckey; new garbage truck should be here in October. Around 400 feet of storm drain on Oliver Street needs to be replaced; will cost around \$20,000. Ray Stuckey said they could not clear out that line and it is stopped up. He also asked about replacing the water plant roof. He said it leaks badly since it is a flat roof. He got a quote from Bruce Hill for \$9,500 to replace the roof with an A-roof and metal roofing. The board unanimously approved the roof repairs.

MOTION: Baker SECOND: Pittman VOTE: unanimous

WATER/SEWER: Commissioner Pittman. Continuing to patch water leaks around town. Dan Simmons reported that all the paperwork has been submitted to RDA and they should hear from them in the next 30 days, after which the project could go out for bids. He said they still have to get interim financing approval from LGC, and he projected a January start.

RECREATION: Commissioner Anderson-Miller. Scottie Hayes reported that football and soccer seasons have gotten underway, with basketball signup to come right away. Mayor Holt said he knew of a Scout that was looking for an Eagle project and he asked about the fencing cover at the park. Scottie Hayes said part of that would need to be replaced. Ray Stuckey added that the Scouts could paint fire hydrants in town again. Mayor Holt said he would pass along that information. Commissioner Anderson-Miller said the sign at the park was repaired and looks much better. Scottie Hayes said the Booster sign is to be replaced next.

POLICE: Chief Woodard reported that everything is going well, and that the new cars should be in by the end of the month.

FIRE DEPT: Brannan Barbee reported that the Fire Dept. will hold their Reverse Drawing on November 2 and he said they had tickets available. He said the department has been holding classes non-stop. He also advised the board that the ISO rating came back, and it went from a Class VII to a Class IV, largely due to staffing improvements in the department. He said they were the 199th department in NC to receive a Class IV rating. He proceeded to recognize his fellow firemen and said they all contributed to the rating improvement. Mayor Holt thanked all of the firemen for all they do and the sacrifices they make. Commissioner Pittman asked if the newspaper had received this information, Mr. Barbee said he sent it to them. The mayor said that Red Ribbon Week at the school was usually observed the last week in October and they might need some assistance with traffic when they have their annual parade.

REPORTS FROM STAFF

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION FOR STARFIELD ACRES

Mayor Holt explained that Jimmy and Faye Starling had requested an extension of time to complete Starfield Acres and to submit the final plat for the same. He said the board had granted them an extension in 2009 and 2014, but they needed additional time to complete all the phases of the development. He said they could allow no more than a five year extension. Mr. Starling commented that ten years would be better, but Town Attorney Will Barham explained that the town's hands are tied and five years is the limit allowed by statute. Mayor Holt said the whole subdivision had been approved on a preliminary plat but they had not been able to complete the development yet. The board voted and unanimously approved the extension for submission of the final plat until October 2024.

MOTION: Pittman SECOND: Anderson-Miller VOTE: unanimous

MAYOR'S MINUTE

Mayor Holt read a note of thanks from Pine Level Elementary School for the academic planners that the town provides each year for the school staff. He noted that the board has one more meeting, in October, before the election that will be held in November. He said he looked forward to serving again with the board members.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business to address, the meeting came to an end at 7:26 p.m.

MOTION: Baker

SECOND: Anderson-Miller VOTE: unanimous

TOWN CLERK		
MAYOR		