



**TOWN OF PINE LEVEL**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**  
**DECEMBER 13, 2012**  
**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 Thursday, December 13, 2012 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, Public Works Supt. Ray Stuckey, Recreation Coordinator Scottie Hayes, Town Clerk Sharon Thompson

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

Commissioner Pittman gave the invocation and Commissioner Anderson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*MOTION TO ADOPT:* Gudac  
*SECOND:* Garner  
*VOTE:* unanimous

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 11-08-12**

*MOTION TO ADOPT:* Pittman  
*SECOND:* Anderson  
*VOTE:* unanimous

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Holt welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked if anyone wished to speak on non-agenda items. Commissioner Gudac commented that Pine Level lost a fine citizen this week, with the loss of Shelton Myers. He said Mr. Myers was a quiet family man, who was a long time businessman who would surely be missed by his family and the community. He asked that the Myers family be included in prayers.

## **2011-2012 AUDIT REPORT**

Mayor Holt reported that Mr. Peedin would not be giving the audit report tonight and he said that Mr. Peedin would come to a later meeting.

## **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

None.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**POLICE:** Commissioner Garner. Police responded to 175 calls in November. Department has beefed up night time patrolling since it is the holiday season. Chief working more night hours. Encouraged citizens to call 9-1-1 for anything that is the least bit suspicious.

**RECREATION:** Commissioner Anderson. Held family fun day at park, raised about \$1600 to go toward new equipment purchase. New playground equipment is on site and the installers are working on it. Mayor added that one of the Boy Scouts has plans to work on park signage, and then maybe there could be a small dedication service at the park. Commissioner Anderson thanked AirFlow Products and Mayor Holt for assisting with delivery of the playground equipment. She also said the town had a good Christmas parade on Dec. 9th. Reverse Raffle fundraiser coming up on February 23rd. Scottie Hayes reported that there are 14 teams practicing basketball, with about 80 kids. Play will start January 5th. Recreation Committee having Christmas supper tonight, as well.

**WATER/SEWER:** Commissioner Gudac. Everything okay. Pleasantly warm weather lately, no major problems. Asked for an update on faulty water tank indicator, Dan Simmons said he contacted that company earlier this week, but had no answer yet. Need to readdress aging water infrastructure. Encouraged department heads to begin to think about budget needs for next year.

**STREETS:** Commissioner Pittman. Checking on street lights that are working improperly. Also said that Christmas parade was good this year.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Greg Johnson reported that the new fire truck is in and they are getting it equipped for use. The department is also holding a class to teach the firemen how to drive the new truck. Held "Breakfast with Santa" with Ladies Auxiliary. Mayor asked if department will take any of their vehicles out of service, Greg Johnson said no. Commissioner Anderson asked if a commercial driver's license is required for the firemen. Mr. Johnson said the state does not require it for volunteers, but it is highly recommended that the drivers have their CDL. Also working together a 60th anniversary event for the fire department, because it has been in existence since January 15, 1953.

## **REPORTS FROM STAFF**

Dan Simmons reported that the DOT has reviewed the plans for a sidewalk on South Peedin Avenue, and they wanted cross section drawings on certain areas of the project. Had to get surveyors back on site to complete those drawings and resubmit them. Mayor Holt said he spoke with Tim Little and he asked about progress on the sidewalk project. He said after the first of the year the DOT would probably overlay Peedin Avenue at the same time as the paving planned for US Hwy. 70-A.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Pittman announced that The Heritage Bank has donated two glass curio cabinets to be used in the town hall for a heritage display. He said the town appreciated all of the citizens and businesses who donated special items to equip the new town hall.

### **MAYOR'S MINUTE**

Mayor Holt shared a brief item concerning "ringing the bell" for the Salvation Army. He noted that Frank Wood is on the Board of Directors for the Salvation Army, and that he was responsible for getting him involved with the fund raising activity. He talked about non-profit groups and how they use their revenues. He said the Salvation Army gives back 80-85% directly to the needs they deal with. He noted that it is usually the most "needy looking" who put the most money in the kettles, while the more affluent people go out of their way to avoid the red kettles. He said it had really opened his eyes about how people are living and he encouraged everyone to participate and to help someone in need, especially during this holiday season. The mayor said you receive the greatest blessing from helping others. He went on to admit that in the past, he was one of the ones that would try to avoid the kettles, but now he viewed them in a different light, and he thanked Mr. Wood for inviting him to participate in the program. Frank Wood said the Salvation Army had 250 kids to provide for at Christmas this year.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Holt thanked everyone for their assistance with the Christmas parade.

Commissioner Garner commented on the good relationship that the town has always experienced with the Kenly News.

Commissioner Anderson remembered those serving in the military. She also invited everyone to the Handbell Concert at the Methodist Church on Sunday, December 16th at 5:00 p.m.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

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**TOWN CLERK**

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**MAYOR**