

TOWN OF PINE LEVEL
MINUTES OF REGULAR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
NOVEMBER 8, 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, November 8, 2010 at the Pine Level Town Hall.

ROLL CALL

COMMISSIONER KAREN ANDERSON
 COMMISSIONER JIMMY GARNER (in at 7:30 p.m.)
 COMMISSIONER ANTHONY GUDAC
 COMMISSIONER PHIL PITTMAN
 MAYOR JEFF HOLT

STAFF PRESENT

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

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Mayor Holt gave the invocation and then he asked Scout Zack Wood to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION TO ADOPT: Gudac
SECOND: Anderson
VOTE: unanimous

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 10-11-10, 10-12-10

MOTION TO ADOPT: Pittman
SECOND: Gudac
VOTE: unanimous

SPECIAL RECOGNITION - BOY SCOUTS

The mayor then introduced Woody Wood, Pine Level Scout Master, and his son Zack Wood, who is a Life Scout from Pine Level Troop 63. Mayor Holt said that Zack recently completed constructing a playground area at Pine South Subdivision as his service project for the Eagle Scout Award. The mayor said the town has benefited from various other Scout projects over the years. He said that Zack was responsible to come up with a concept for the project, to get donations made toward its completion, to work on it himself, and to direct the work of other volunteers on the project. Zack thanked the town for the opportunity and he thanked all those who assisted him, especially Ray Stuckey. He said he had fulfilled his requirements, but if the town would come up with a name for the area, he would get a sign made and put it up at the playground. Mayor Holt said they hope to have a small dedication ceremony there in the near future. The mayor then presented a plaque to Zack in appreciation for his project and another to Troop 63 for their assistance. Woody Wood told the board that he has several other Life Scouts that will need to complete projects, if the town could get together a list of possible projects.

PUBLIC HEARING ON FINANCING AGREEMENT FOR TOWN HALL RENOVATIONS

The mayor opened a required public hearing at 7:13 p.m. on the filing of an application for approval of a financing agreement authorized by NCGS 160A-20. Mayor Holt reviewed the required resolution with the board. He said the Local Government Commission would review the Project and the town's application at their meeting on Tuesday, December 7, 2010. He said a tax increase may become necessary over the 40-year pay-off period and that it should not exceed \$.05. He also said the town's attorney has reviewed the Project and resolution and offered his opinion that it is authorized by law and it is an allowable

expenditure of public funds. He called for any comment on the issue, either pro or con. Hearing none, he closed the hearing and commented that everyone was ready to move the Project along. The board then voted unanimously to adopt the "Resolution Authorizing the Filing of an Application for Approval of a Financing Agreement Authorized by NCGS 160A-20. A copy of the Resolution is included with and hereby made a part of these minutes by reference.

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION: Gudac
SECOND: Anderson
VOTE: unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Mayor then called for public comment on any non-agenda items. There was no comment to be heard.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

There was no report from the Planning Board. Nester McClain reported that the Seniors Group would meet on Wednesday this week. He said they are planning a trip to Myrtle Beach. Commissioner Pittman said that Rachel Hinnant, who has been instrumental with the Seniors Group, is hospitalized and not doing well. He also said that long-time resident, Street Jones, is not doing well. Mayor Holt reported that Dick Parker had surgery on a blocked artery and possibly had a stroke during the surgery.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

RECREATION: Commissioner Anderson. Basketball practice to begin for boys and girls, ages four to fifteen. Approximately 70 participants. Games begin in December. Football has finished up. Christmas tree lighting will be held on Monday, November 29th, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the park. Rain will send the celebration indoors at the Baptist Church. Christmas parade will be on Sunday, December 12, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. Contact the town hall to enter the parade. If it rains that Sunday, the parade will be cancelled and it will not be re-scheduled.

POLICE: Commissioner Gudac. Introduced newest police officer, A J Davis. A J said he lives in Dudley, is married with two daughters, and was in the Navy before this job. Commissioner Gudac welcomed A J and said they were glad to have him. Purchased a used police car on E-bay, it came in Saturday. Have to get it ready to put into service. Has 100,000-mile power train warranty. Declared old car as surplus and will sell it as soon as equipment has been removed. Have an auctioneer that will sell it for free for the town. Approved unanimously.

MOTION: Gudac
SECOND: Pittman
VOTE: unanimous

WATER/SEWER: Commissioner Pittman. Preparing tank for painting; infiltration an on-going issue.

STREETS: Ray Stuckey. Everything okay. Bucket truck broke down, have not been able to change to fall banners. Commissioner Pittman said there are street lights out, he will call them in for reporting.

REPORTS FROM STAFF

Town Attorney Frank Wood recommended that the town adopt two documents, the first being a Declaration of Intent to Reimburse. He said the town will be getting reimbursement for some of the expenses that have already been paid out on the town hall, such as purchasing the building, the architect's fees, etc. The second was a Capital Project Ordinance on the town hall project. Dan Simmons said the LGC wanted to see both of these documents for the town hall project. Both were unanimously adopted by the board. Mayor Holt said that both of them just confirm what they already understood to be required concerning the town hall project. Copies of both documents are included with and hereby made a part of these minutes by reference

MOTION: Gudac
SECOND: Anderson
VOTE: unanimous

BIDS FOR TOWN HALL

Dan Simmons reported that 15 bids were received for the town hall project, on October 12th, and that American Builders Inc. of Greenville, NC was the low bidder, at \$473,800. The high bid came in at \$685,852. He said the bids would be good for sixty days and he will be talking to the LGC about a possible extension. Commissioner Gudac asked what the alternate bid was for. Mr. Simmons said it was for site work, the drive-thru window, etc. He said there was \$10,000 contingency already included in the bid and they included \$25,000 in the budget for contingency, but they would not commit that money until the main work was completed. The board also had a recommendation from the architect, Ryland Edwards, to approve the bid from American Builders. The board voted unanimously to award the bid to American Builders Inc. of Greenville, NC, for the price of \$473,800 and an alternate bid of \$48,000, based upon Mr. Edwards' recommendation and contingent upon receiving approval by the LGC.

MOTION: Pittman
SECOND: Gudac
VOTE: unanimous

PROPOSAL TO EXTEND ETJ TO TWO MILES

Commissioner Pittman asked if there is a time limit on the proposal to extend the ETJ. Mayor Holt said no, it was entirely up to the board. Dan Simmons commented that the towns of Smithfield and Selma have already extended their ETJ to two mile. He said it would require you to notify each resident of the area, of the town's intent to extend the zoning jurisdiction, and it would then require a public hearing. Commissioner Gudac suggested that they put the matter off until the first of the year.

MISCELLANEOUS

Commissioner Gudac asked if the town would have an employee Christmas party this year or not. Mayor Holt said there has been discussion on doing something different this year, and scaling it back somewhat. Commissioner Pittman said the mayor could handle that issue. Mayor Holt said he would poll the employees and see what would be best.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business, at 7:39 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Gudac
SECOND: Anderson
VOTE: unanimous

TOWN CLERK

MAYOR