

CITY OF PINE LAKE

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES

April 29, 2014

7:30 PM

The City Council Work Session meeting was called to order at 7:32 PM by Mayor Kathie deNobriga. Present were Mayor Pro Tem Megan Pulsts, Council Members George Chidi, Mike Stuckey, Lynn Ehrlicher and Erika Brown. Also present was Chief Sarai Green and City Administrator Valerie Caldwell.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATONS

Mayor deNobriga announced that she has been in contact with Congressman Hank Johnson's Office to assist in the renaming of the Post Office in honor of Francis M. Ortega and they will be writing a congressional action.

Pulsts announced that on May 6th the Architectural Review Board (ARB) will meet with Miller Valentine Group regarding the proposed development of apartments on Aberdeen Road.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mayor deNobriga made the following amendments to the agenda:

- Discussion of the May 8th Town Hall Meeting
- Moved the ARC PLAN 2040 to the end of agenda

The agenda was approved as amended upon a motion by Pulsts; seconded by Brown and was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM 03/25/2014 COUNCIL MEETING

After discussion Chidi motioned to place the March 25, 2014 Council Minutes on the May 12th Consent Agenda with a second by Ehrlicher and was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF AWARD OF BID FOR PLUMBING REPAIR AT CLUBHOUSE

After discussion, Pulsts motioned to place the award of the bid to Comfort Air of Atlanta for plumbing repair at the Clubhouse on the May 12th Consent Agenda with a second by Ehrlicher and was unanimously approved.

REVIEW OF RESOLUTION AMENDING PLOT AND STORMWATER FEES

Pulsts moved to accept Resolution #R05-2014 amending Plot and Storm Water Fees for the May 12th Consent Agenda with a second by Stuckey and was unanimously approved.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Chief Green presented the March 2014 Police Department report and said that focus has been on Code Enforcement issues. She also gave an update on the fence repair for the Tennis Courts. Chief stated that the county computer programs will be in the police vehicles on May 2nd.

Mayor stated that Family Dollar has been issued another Stop Work Order for runoff. A Stop Work Order was also issued for the unpermitted land disturbance on Aberdeen Road from developer Miller Valentine.

City Administrator Caldwell stated that the two part-time court clerk positions have been filled. The new employees are Martha McMillan and Lt. Larry Williams, both from the City of Lithonia. They are GCIC Certified and Lt. Williams is a street ready officer. Caldwell also said that Russell Rockwell was selected as the Facilities Coordinator and is in training with Bitsy Pitts. She reported that the Audit will begin the week of May 5th.

Missye Varner, Administrative Assistant presented the Administrative Report for March 2014. Varner stated that Occupy Pine Lake has made application that included a rendering for a City of Pine Lake entry sign at Rockbridge Road and Spring Street. The Mayor said that Council will review it first and then they can present their sign request to council at the May 27th work session.

The Mayor stated that the April 26th Cleanup Day was a success with about twenty five volunteers attending. She also said that one nest of geese eggs have been oiled to date.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Erika Brown said that the Yoga Group has been moved their Friday night session to Thursday nights from 6:30-7:30 pm at the Clubhouse.

Mayor deNobriga stated that the Town Hall Meeting will be on May 8th with Pulsts and Brown facilitating. The subject for the meeting will be the Beach House and Family Dollar updates.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor and Council discussed the Aberdeen Road property and Family Dollar as it relates to the Stop Work Orders issued. The Mayor said that development and permitting process must be adhered to. Caldwell said that Miller Valentine Group is requesting an expedited variance without public hearing and notice. Pulsts said to keep all matters public and to have community input. Mayor deNobriga insisted on public meetings as it relates to the property as well.

Chidi talked about South DeKalb Improvement Association and said it would be good for Pine Lake to be involved with this association.

Mayor deNobriga and Council briefly discussed compliance of the Atlanta Regional Council 2040 Plan. Each Council Member was assigned a Work Session month to present their assigned topic of the 2040 Plan.

Pulsts assigned to Energy & the Environment made her presentation.

Stuckey -Transportation at the May 27th meeting.

Brown - Economic Development at the June 24th meeting.

Chidi-Housing & Community Development at the July 29th meeting.

Ehrlicher – Community & Population at the August 26th meeting.

The Mayor said that the Atlanta Regional Commission will be contacted to attend the September 30th Work Session to review and discuss the 2040 Plan.

The Mayor gave status report on the Beach House and said that the floors and back porch will be sealed after certificate of occupancy is issued. The tentative day for the opening of the Beach House is May 24th.

ADJOURN

Pulsts motioned to adjourn and was seconded by Chidi. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 PM.

Missye Varner, Administrative Assistant

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