

TOWN OF PINES
COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 8 2019

The regular meeting of the Town of Pines Town Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Bud led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. In attendance were: James Prast, Cathi Murray, Vicki Kuzio, Janice Lowe and Alan Murray. Cathi made a motion to accept the minutes of the June and July meetings and Vicki seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 3-0.

Clerk-Treasurer

Fund Report was made available. Need to start September 2019 meeting at 6:00 pm to discuss additional appropriations and the Budget for 2020. Reported clerk-Treasurer had attended the SBOA meeting in regard to preparing the 2020 budget. Clerk-Treasurer ask the council for approval to allow Boyce to update the Budget Program as in 2020 the current program would no longer receive updates. The cost for the upgrade is \$6000.00. Cathi motioned to approve, Vicki seconded, and passed 3-0.

Street Department

The street dept had a complaint concerning no street light on Maine St., Vick is working with Nipsco to get this taken care of. The culvert on Hwy 20 has been cleaned. Railroad Ave continues to have problems with the street and the work was not completed that Kolasa had contracted to do.

Building and Zoning Administration

Alan completed a electrical inspection at 2913 W Dunes Hwy

Old Business

Mr. Skube has not complied with the court order for a complete clean up, current photos will be taken to show the cleanup hasn't been done. Attorney said Town of Pines will most likely have to clean the property, then bill Mr. Skube.

It was reported that NIPSCO agreed they will take care of the water problem at the property site that Nipsco is giving to the town.

McCombs has buried the cable at his property on Poplar St and paid the outstanding fine.

Mr. Newman hasn't returned Alan's calls in regard to progress of the building on Hwy 12 & 520. The boat storage on Hwy 12 is scheduled for a Bza meeting on September 5, 2019

New Business

Loukia has agreed to add the Code Book to the towns website, and the clerk was instructed to have 5 additional copies of the code book copied.

Public Comment

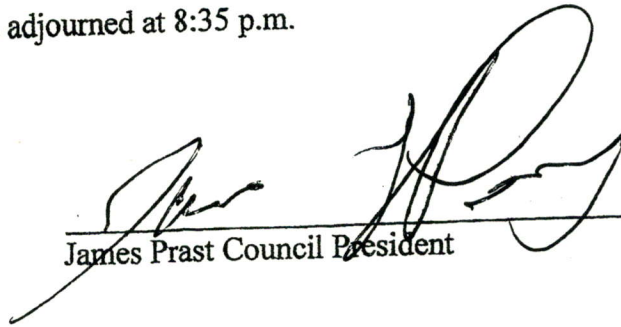
Coastal flood will have open house on Aug. 29 from 5-7 at Mineral Spring Rd regarding FEMA. Resident from Railroad Ave is requesting information in regard to a barn permit for his property, he was instructed that a Principal structure would be necessary before being able to obtain a barn permit. Alan will talk with him, in regard to what his next step would be. Phyllis shared a list of birds that are seen in Town of Pines She is working on a project to have the town be part of the Bird town of Indiana, a program for the conservation of birds. Cathi is going to assist in the application for the designation.

Mr. Burton had comments regarding the placement of the trailers on his business, he feels he is being targeted by the inspector.

Cathi made a motion to pay the claims and Vicki seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 3-0.

As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.


Janice Lowe, Clerk-Treasurer


James Prast Council President