December 4, 2013

The regular meeting of the Town of Pines Town Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. George led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Jan Nona who has been a real help to the Town in the water situation. In attendance were: George Adey, Cathi Murray, Alan Murray and Sandra Hall. Vicki was late and arrived around 7:00 p.m. Cathi made a motion to accept the November meeting minutes and George seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 2-0.

Clerk-Treasurer

Sandra requested that the end of the year meeting be on December 30, 2013 and the Council agreed. The end of the year meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, December 30, 2013.

Building and Zoning Administrator

Alan has tried to contact the owner of the property at the corner of Highway 12 and 500 N, but has be unable to find anyone home. He will keep trying. There has been a complaint about this property. Alan did some inspections and issued one (1) occupancy permit. The machinery has been moved from the Colorado property and it looks much better. Someone hit the Town of Pines sign on Highway 20 and 500N. It will need to be put back up when the weather is warmer. Ardendale culvert is suppose to be done next week. Cathi made a motion to waive the permit fee for this project and George seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 2-0. Nipsco and Brown are paying for this to be repaired. Letters from the State Highway Department were sent to the car dealer on Highway 20 and 520 and another was sent to the car dealer on Highway 12 and 520. Both dealers have moved their cars and complied with the letters. Cathi made a motion to move Street Department to the end so that Vicki could give a report when she gets here and George seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 2-0.

Old Business

The National Lakeshore is denying ownership of Carolina Ave so Cathi asked Sandi to find the Minutes of when we vacated the alleyway. (It would be around Aug, Sept, or Oct of 2005) Gregg Calpino from SEH presented an update on our work with the Comprehensive Plan (a copy of the plan was available at this meeting and can be obtained from the Clerk-Treasurer) A few things that need to be done are as follows:

- *Establish a Utility and Park Boards with the Lawyer
- *Submit a Master Park Plan
- *Adopt the Comprehensive Plan
- *Review Zoning with the Lawyer

At the last meeting the list of what needs to be done was put into an order of priority and goals were set up. The next meeting for the comprehensive plan will be on December 18, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

New Business

None

Street Department

Leaf pickup should be done soon. Some residents have complained that Beverly Shores received leaf pickup before the Town and feel that the Town should be done first. Realizing that there is a small window of time between leaves falling and snow falling the Street Department will look into what can be done differently next time.

Public Comments

Question was asked about where to put brush out for the Town to pick up and how big can the branches be. The answer was given that they are to place the brush at the side of the road and they can be no bigger than 3 inches in diameter.

Diana Lawrence expressed concerns over where this comprehensive plan is going. Cathi explained that the Town was under no obligation to put all the recommendations into the comprehensive plan.

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As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Sandra L. Hall, Clerk-Treasurer

George Adey, Council Presiden