

TOWN OF PINES TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

February 6, 2019

The regular meeting of the Town of Pines Council was called to order at 6:30 pm. James Prast led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

In attendance were , Cathy Murray, Alan Murray, James Prast and Janice Lowe.

MINUTES

Cathi made a motion to approve January minutes. Bud seconded the motion, the motion was passed 2-0

CLERK TREASURER

Reported on progress of the Office of Clerk/Treas. 2018 has been balanced and rolled Budget over to 2019. Reported to the Council a meeting with Martin Security Co has been scheduled to program to transfer service to Martin Security Co.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The fire department reported responding to 6 calls in January. The Fire Dept has received a \$5000. grant from Horizon Bank toward extraction equipment.

STREET DEPARTMENT

Rob has replaced several lights in the maintenance building and various locations to LED bulbs. Reported several stop signs to be replaced or repaired.

BUILDING AND ZONING

Two building permits issued in January 2019, a home on Hwy 12 install new HVAC and a home on Columbia St to construct a new bathroom

OLD BUSINESS

A hearing has been scheduled on Feb. 15, 2019 in regard to Town of Pines v. Anthony Skrebys Alan will attend the meeting with the attorney.

Mr. Kadlubowsdki has contacted the Town in regard to his property on Railroad Ave and wants to know what his next step is to proceed with his plans.

The Town is continuing to have problems with the beavers blocking the flow of water in the Town. They have built a damn under Hwy 20 again causing flooding. Bud will talk to residents in regard to the problems created by the flooding.

\A suggestion was made to have the necessary repairs made to E Johns St, Florida and Idaho and have contractor bill Nipsco since they are responsible for the damage to the streets.

A Representative from from Abonmarche will be at March meeting to discuss bids for the upcoming Community Crossing Grant

Alan reported there hasn't been any response to the property violations at 1602 Poplar St . Exposed live wires are still on the ground. Cathi made motion to turn it over to the attorneys, Bud seconded and vote was 2-0.

The property on Central Ave is being cleaned up with the cooperation of the property owner. Mr. Newman was told to post No Trespassing signs at the property on Hwy 12. Alan commented that Mr. Burton needed to apply to vacate the alley next to his business.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Linda Lancaster from the Indiana Dunes National Lake shore introduced herself and shared her contact information.

Resident talked about the ongoing problem with the broken down sign at the Sands Inn on Hwy 12. Alan will send a registered letter to the owner..

Tammy Watkins gave an update on upcoming projects with the Pine Twp Board.

Resident suggested the next road project should look at Birch St due to the condition of the street. Comments were made about the condition of Pines Park on Hwy 20 and Birch St.



Council said they would consider it in the Spring. The slide would be fixed and installed.

Resident wanted it brought to the attention of the Board that the Condo Boat Storage buildings on Hwy 12 is using a driveway off Hwy 12 and trees that were taken down need to be removed. Alan said he will talk to property owner about the needed permit for the driveway, but due to weather the work probably won't happen before summer.

CLAIMS

The claims for the month of February 2019 were approved with a motion by Cathi and seconded by Bud voted on and passed 2-0.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30.


Janice Lowe, Clerk-Treasurer
James Prast, Council President