

July 22, 2015

The Town of Council budget workshop was called to order at 6:00 pm. All that was discussed is the budget. In attendance were: Sandra Hall, Cathi Murray, Bud Prast. Vicki was absent.

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The regular meeting of the Town of Pines Town Council was called to order at 6:30 pm. In attendance were: Cathi Murray, Bud Prast, Sandra Hall and Alan Murray. Vicki was absent. Bud made a motion to accept the minutes from the June 3, 2015 meeting and Cathi seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 2-0.

Clerk-Treasurer

Sandra presented the Council with the Animal Control Contract from Porter County. Bud made a motion to accept the contract and sign it and Cathi seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 2-0. Sandra gave Cathi the letter from FEMA.

Building and Zoning Administrator

Five permits were issued. Corner of Birch and Pine the water department had to do work and they have fixed it. Louisiana and Hwy 12 – The new buyer will fill it in. Reith Riley finished road and need to be paid. Tent behind cell tower at Pines Park where someone lived and Alan called the police and they said it is abandoned. Alan will check on it again and remove it. Issues with the resale shop – the people that run the shop are here. They claim that the fireworks were kid fireworks. They stained the parking lot and have said that it will not be done again. They will be take a can of seal and seal the section. Issue of the stuff around the building and trailers being filled with stuff has been cleaned up.

Street Department

Cathi gave the street department report for Vicki. Alan is to call the alarm company about cameras not recording. Pines sign and poles at park on still on Rob's list to do. Bud made a motion to approve having Denny's Tree to clean up Pinney, Cathi seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 2-0. Bud made a motion to table the proposal from Denny's Tree Service for work on Railroad and Cathi seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 2-0. Nipsco did a partial removal of the tree on Delaware and Denny's Tree service proposal to finish the removal is for \$1,000.00. Rob has done a wonderful job this month as it has been a very busy month.

Old Business

What is the latest on Nipsco and the Playground? They want a time to meet with the Council on playground equipment and the best time for this meeting is August 5 on the regular Council meeting. All landscaping done on residents property will be done by contractors hired by Nipsco and all cost for removal and restoration will be paid for by Nipsco.

New Business

Compost site working agreement. Bud made a motion to table until the August meeting, Cathi seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 2-0. Our compost site is too full and we need to get rid of some Council is opening it up to the residents that want to go with trash cans or buckets. If someone wants more they can call the Town and we can have Rob take the tractor back and fill their trucks for a fee of \$10.00 to cover tractor gas and wear and tear.

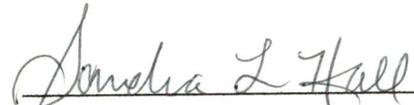
Public Comments

Someone asked how Bud Prast how he got the position to replace George Adey. It was explained that he was appointed by the Democratic Chair in Porter County. Residents from Ardendale Ave south of Hwy 20 came to ask about the water. They were given the information to call EPA.

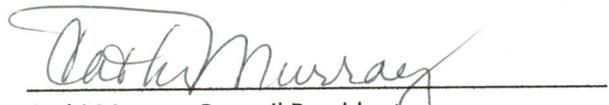
Claims

To be signed. They were voted to be paid at the May meeting as this meeting was postponed to so late in the month.

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



Sandra L. Hall, Clerk-Treasurer



Cathi Murray, Council President