June 5, 2013

The Town of Pine Town Council was to hold a hearing for 1490 Idaho Street but there was no one present to submit their request and there was no green cards sent to the Town to verify that the notification requirements were met. Therefore the hearing was postponed to the next months Council meeting. This meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. and adjourned at 6:20 p.m. In attendance were: George Adey, Cathi Murray, Vicki Kuzio, Alan Murray and Sandra Hall arrive at 6:15 p.m.

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Sandra L. Hall, Clerk-Treasurer

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The regular meeting of the Town of Pines Town Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were: George Adey, Cathi Murray, Vicki Kuzio, Alan Murray and Sandra Hall. George led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Cathi made a motion to accept the May Minutes and Vicki seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 3-0.

Clerk-Treasurer

Sandra presented the Attorney agreement to the Council and Cathi made a motion to sign the agreement with Harris, Welsh and Lukmann and Vicki seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 3-0. Sandra presented the report about employment at Integrative Flavors and George will call and ask them about how many applicants were Town of Pines residents and if they were not hired why? Sandra received a call from a man interested in buying a house in the Pines and would like to be notified of any vacant houses for sale in the Town.

Building and Zoning Administrator

One electrical inspection done this month. Alan has had a response from the property owner of 1552 Colorado Street and the owner states that due to health issues and other circumstances he will not be able to start cleaning up his yard until about the middle of July. Alan is to invite him (via a certified letter) to the August Council meeting so that we can discuss a plan of action with him. Cathi made a motion to have Alan send him the letter and Vicki seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 3-0. Alan called Hamstra about the rust on the new building and Hamstra said they would come out after the rainy season. Alan had a request from Carney Construction to be allowed to put clean sand to cover up dumped trees, concrete and bricks on Delaware Street. Council will allow them to do this. They also, would like to keep a trailer at the old Pumps on 12 building for construction equipment that they will be using as they work on this building. They will not be working on it all the time and the Council has concerns that this will look messy and give the wrong impression to others that the Town allows the parking of trailers anywhere.

Street Department

Vicki has a meeting with Allen Hammond on the Disability Assessment of the parks at the end of June. We are still waiting on the estimates on paving. The tree on Willow Ave is healthy and blooming and there is no sign that it is a hazard. The company, Knoll and Sons, said that they would put that in writing if the Council needs it. Culvert on Illinois was cleaned and it flowed for 3 days before the Beavers plugged it back up again. Rob is going to clean it again and put a grate over it. Leaves were picked up 2 times, brush has been picked up and the Dog signs are up at the parks. George read a letter from Larry Jensen regarding the possibility of toxins where we dump our leaves. Larry suggested that we suspend giving away the compost until we know for sure there is no risk. Mrs. Renee Kozlowski asked that we please reopen Connecticut Street for thru traffic. She has property that she is trying to sell on this street and has claimed loss of sale due to the fact that brush is being dumped there and because the road is closed. George wants to go out and walk this street and see for himself just how

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much brush has been dumped on this street. Cathi explained to George (who was not on the Council at the time the road was closed) why the Town closed the road. It was because they felt that the road may be a hazard with fly ash becoming air borne when people drive on it and because the Town has had problems in the past with people dumping mattresses and other things on this road. The Kozlowski's have a letter from the EPA stating that they see no reason for closing the road and the EPA does not feel that there is a hazard present at this time. George will investigate this matter further and the Council will address this issue again at the next Council meeting.

New Business

Larry Jensen informed the Council of the expense of renting a meter to find potential hot spots of radioactivity throughout the Town. It is approximately \$400.00 a month for the meter and then there is the expense of the samplings. Approximately \$85.00 plus \$25.00 for shipping for soil sampling, \$70.00 for chemicals in the water in homes, \$300.00 for sampling for radioactivity in water in homes. Then Larry went through the steps in the process for these testings. Cathi made a motion to set aside \$500.00 to give to the P.I.N.E.S group toward the expense of doing the sampling. Vicki seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 3-0.

Old Business

The Alarm system is fixed and the company will be coming on June 11, 2013 to finish installing the cameras. The cost of the installation will be about \$1,700.00.

Cathi was able to speak with Sen. Joe Donnelly and Congressman Pete Visclosky, about our contamination problems here in the Town, while she was in Washington DC. Cathi is going to try and get Sen. Joe Donnelly here for a public meeting.

George is going to go to a County Council meeting and address the need for more police patrol in the Town in hopes of helping with our dumping issues.

Public Comments

Loukia just wanted to inform the Town Council that the park on Hwy 20 and Birch is being used a lot and that she is concerned with because someone on an ATV has been driving up and down the sand hill. They are getting into the park area by the gate to the cell tower. Vicki will look into what we can use to block that off.

<u>Claims</u>

Cathi made a motion to pay the claims, 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 8:10 p.m.

Sandra L. Hall, Clerk-Treasurer

George Adey, Council President