

## TOWN OF PINES TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

**MAY 2, 2018**

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 Vicki Kuzio, Cathy Murray, Alan Murray, James Prast and Janice Lowe. Cathi made a motion to accept April minutes. Vicki seconded the motion, the motion was passed 3-0.

Pat Boy, candidate for House of Representative, spoke about her qualifications and experiences for the position. She answered questions from the council and the public.

A representative from the National Lakeshore spoke in regard to the water levels and invited everyone to attend a meeting on May 17 for a discussion in regard to water heights and the swamp, and what the plans for the future were.

### **CLERK TREASURER**

**Approval** for payment for clerk-Treasurer to attend clerk-Treasurer school and budget workshop. There was an error in the April meeting minutes and is to be corrected.

### **BUILDING AND ZONING**

Discussion as to the legality of dogs being kept on County Line Rd in a unsanitary condition. It was brought to the attention of the council a dilapidated building, that was a former antique shop on Hwy 12. Building appears to be unsafe and home to stray cats. Council will check into the ownership of the building and will follow with a letter to the owner.

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Tammy Watkins announced the fire department is now Medically certified. The Spring mailing has been completed. June the 3<sup>rd</sup> a open house is planned for the public. 11 calls in April were responded to. The Fire Department now has 15 members. The Fire Chief is meeting with ISO on Monday.

### **STREET DEPARTMENT**

Six loads of leaves were completed in April and will continue to pick up leaves. Commented on Street signs that needed replaced. REITH Riley will dump ground asphalt on Illinois Ave for base for leaves. Beavers are affecting the water flow on Henry Street. National Lakeshore will monitor height of water in regard to Brown Ditch..

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Letter will be sent to homeowner on Railroad Ave in regard to trailers on property without proper permit. Washers and dryers on County Line Road is being removed by property owner.

Discussion in regard to whether Burton's need variance or not, after Bud had talked to surrounding towns and found it not necessary in those towns or cities. He will call attorney to get his opinion. Bud wants to continue with the zoning this summer. Will hold a workshop for the improvement to the Town of Pines web sight, on June 6, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

### OLD BUSINESS

Continuing to discuss the resident on Colorado Ave in regard to condition of property. Resident says he needs to fix tractor in order to remove garbage and other debris from property. Will be discussed at next meeting with a decision being made as to the next step.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

The sign at a motel on Hwy 20 in Town of Pines is partially knocked down and could be a danger.

Resident reported there is a lot of potholes on Birch St. Resident interested in requesting the vacation of a alley.

Rodney Burton made comments on the legality of trailers he has parked on his property, also said the building inspector walked into a house that was being repaired without knocking on Colorado Ave. There was a current building permit for that home and building inspector informed him that was his job to check on the work.

### CLAIMS

The claims for the month of April were approved with a motion by Cathi and seconded by Vicki voted on and passed 3-0.

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

  
Janice Lowe, Clerk-Treasurer

  
James Prast, Council President