

Town of Pines Regular Meeting

May 7, 2025

The regular meeting of the Town of Pines, Town Council, was called to order at 6:30 PM. This meeting was a regular Council Meeting held at the Town Hall. The next meeting will be Wednesday June 4, 2025 at 6:30 pm.

James led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance were James Prast, Janice Lowe, Vicki Kuzio, Shelby Lowe, and Philip Orlando.

MINUTES

Council reviews April 2 Meeting Minutes. No Corrections. Janice makes a motion to accept the minutes, Vicki seconds. Janice votes yes, Vicki Votes yes, James votes yes. Carried 3-0

CLERK TREASURER

Shelby states that she has reached out to Marcia and let her know about the timeline for the CCMG work, she is currently waiting to hear from Matt by our next meeting for this to be discussed then with the bids he is collecting.

SLRF Reporting is filed and up to date.

Shelby is prepping for Budget Season. This will be upcoming soon.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

17 Calls; 4 Town 13 Township.

Nothing else going on most calls EMS

STREET DEPARTMENT

Rob has been doing leaf pickup as weather permits.

They are still looking for quotes on the basketball court.

Shelby asks about adding in a accessible swing at Pines Park as it would get good use with children in the area.

BUILDING AND ZONING

Phil presents building permits.

Penny Janoski for a deck permit.

Mauhammed Sarfu with a full house remodel.

OLD BUSINESS

James will be here to collect bids with Jan on May 29th for the June Meeting. They will be opened at the June meeting and voted on.

This roadwork will finish off the majority of the roadwork in the Pines. Then we will begin repairs on the streets across highway 20 and a maintenance program for our other streets.

James asks Rob about the state of Railroad Ave chip and seal. He states it is holding up decent but it is going to need redone in areas.

James discusses contacting County to borrow a speed sign for Memorial Day Weekend to deter people from speeding.

Spring Cleanup is May 16 and May 23 for large pickup. Flyers have gone out already and have the Porter County flyer as well on them.

Shelby recite the rules of the pickup.

Tire pickup is this weekend at the Porter County Fair site. The information is on the cleanup flyer everyone should have in their mail.

NEW BUSINESS

No New Business

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tammy Watkins of Columbia Ave asks for an update about the intersection of 20 and 520 as there are large potholes in the area that need fixed. Shelby points out other ones that are back a block or two from this area that are awful too on highway 20 and need repair.

James asks about the guard rail to be fixed here too.

Marv Guthner asks about the Pothole on 12 and Countyline by the old Spotlight. This needs desperate patching too.

Vicki stated she will call county and state again.

A Resident from Railroad Ave asks about the work being done on the streets. James stated that we will be working on Railroad ave next year with CCMG. He asks about pothole repairs in this area. Rob will review the area and see if it is something we can fix with patch and seal.

CLAIMS

April 2025 claims have a motion to be paid by Janice, seconded by Vicki. Janice votes yes, Vicki votes yes, James votes yes. Carried 3-0.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 P.M

James Prast, President

Shelby Lowe, Clerk Treasurer