

**October 3, 2012**

The Town of Pines Town Council held the Budget adoption at 6:15 p.m. In attendance were: Cathi Murray, Vicki Kuzio and Sandra Hall. George Adey was absent. Vicki made a motion to pass the budget and Cathi seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 2-0.

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The regular meeting of the Town of Pines Town Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. George led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. In attendance were: George Adey, Cathi Murray, Vicki Kuzio, Sandra Hall and Alan Murray.

Cathi made a motion to accept the minutes of the September meetings and Vicki seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 3-0.

**Clerk-Treasurer**

Funds received were posted.

**Street Department**

The chipper is fixed. General maintenance has been done on the street department. Halloween flyers are done and ready to pass out. Camera signs have been ordered and should be in soon. Vicki is going to look into actual video cameras for the Town Hall and park.

Therese Davis from the Porter County Solid Waste District was here to give us some ideas on our compost site. Her office has been working with Rob on our compost site and have reported that our compost site is full and that we need to haul the finished compost away. Some of this compost will be available for Town residents to take and the rest will be hauled away.

**Building and Zoning Administration**

Mr. and Mrs. William Lowe are here to ask the Council to vacate two (2) alley ways that abut their property. The alley on the North side and the alley on the South side. Cathi made a motion to vacate both alleys and Vicki seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 3-0.

One permit issued and one meter inspection was done and it passed the inspection.

The damaged pavement on Birch Street in front of the cell tower driveway will be fixed during the week of October 8, 20112. Alan will send a letter to Mr. Frank Corcoran stating that he must go before the BZA in order to get a variance for the house that he has made into apartments. The property on Highway 520 has been cleaned up some and the man will continue to work on and will have it done by winter. The address to the cell tower on Birch Street will be changed to 1701 Birch Street. This is per request from the Porter County Sheriff's Department. Mr. Bodine is to clean up the property on Maine Street before winter. The billboards at the corner of Highway 520 and Highway 12 has a broken light, but Alan has contacted the owners and it will be fixed soon.

**Old Business**

The RDA would like us to sign a Resolution outlining the Town's plans for utilizing the RDA funds. Cathi made a motion to pass Resolution 10-3-2012-2, Vicki seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 3-0. The Town Council members will review the Town of Pines Business Registration form and will discuss any changes, if any, at the next Council meeting.

**New Business**

Dennis Metheny and Dr. Flowers presented their ideas for the Michigan City Schools. Both are running for Michigan City School Board.

**Public Comment**

John Trent came to the Council to make a complaint about trucks being parked on the right of way on Highway 520. John Trent is from another state and is not a resident of the Town of Pines therefore the Council would not here his complaint. The complaint must come from a resident. George has spoken with the neighbor that Mr. Trent was suppose to be representing and they have said that they are happy with the way this property was cleaned up and that they had no further problem.

Cathi made a motion to pay the claims and 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 8:05 p.m.

*Sandra L Hall*

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Sandra L. Hall, Clerk-Treasurer

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George Adey, Council President