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**TOWN OF PINES
COUNCIL MEETING
October 4. 2019**

The regular meeting of the Town of Pines Town Council was called to order at 6:30 pm. Bud led the meeting in the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. In Attendance were, Vicki Kuzio,, James Prast, Alan Murray and Janice Lowe, Clerk/Treasurer.

Before regular meeting agenda,the clerk/treasurer presented the Ordinance for Appropriations and Tax Rates for 2020.Ordianace number 2019-10-2-1 was read and approved by the Town Council. Vicki made motion to approve ordinance and was seconded by Bud, approved 2-0.

The public meeting for budget was closed and the regular meeting continued.

Minutes

Vickii made a motion to approve the minutes and seconded by Bud passed 2-0.

BUILDING AND ZONING

One electrical inspection for the month of September 2019 was completed by Alan.

FIRE DEPT.

11 calls for the month of September. .Discussion of the activity for fire dept, and the Town was informed the fire dept is moving to the fire house on Hwy 520 in the Pines.

STREET DEPT.

The street dept in the month of September has continued with the mowing and trimming streets as needed. The street department is working on filling potholes . Vicki made motion for approval to order salt for the coming winter, Bud Prast seconded the motion and was passed 2-0. Bud signed the contract for the salt and Vicki is returning it to Frick Serv Inc.

OLD BUSINESS

David Newman, attorney representing owners of property at Hwy 12 & 520 informed the council that a court date had been set for October to establish ownership of the property, and after that a decision can be made as to the future of the property. Council asked if there were to be any improvements for the safety of the building and Mr. Newman said he would talk to the engineer and report back to the council.

The owner of property on 2nd place was inquiring what was needed for him to proceed with installing a fence at his property, Bud and Alan will meet with him at his property to look at what he is requesting to install. Bud and Alan will also check out the septic he is using with the RV located on that property. They will also look at the plans for the new septic he is going to have installed for the home he will be completing within the next year.

Railroad Ave property owner is going before the BZA in regard to the use of his property. The owner of the property has unpaid fines and was told if the fines were not paid it would be turned over to the attorney for further action, resident said he would deal with the attorney.

Railroad Ave West of Ardendale continues to need additional work, Chris Kolasa has worked on the street but it is not satisfactory. Bud has been researching equipment and will talk to Brown Inc. and St of Indiana for possible assistance. Vicki has been trying to contact Brown Inc. but has had no response from them..

New Business

Halloween will be on Oct. 27 from 2:00 to 4:00. Tammy and Vicki are working on flyer. The Fire Dept will be handing out treats at the Fire station on Hwy 520 and also at the location at the Town hall. Vicki will contact Porter Co Police to let them know when the towns trick or treat will be .

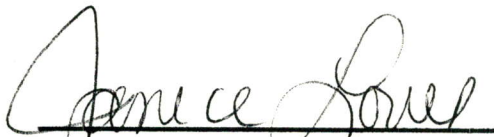
Tammy, representing the Pines Fire Department has asked the Town Council to assist with the purchase of the much needed radios for the firemen. Janice, clerk treas. Will see if the funds from the EDIT (cedit) account can be used for that purpose.


Public COMMENTS

Residents inquired if compost is available and how to get it. Alan reminded everyone of the upcoming BZA meeting. Resident at 3024 2nd Place apologized for any time he had spoken out when he shouldn't have. .

Vicki made a motion to pay claims and Bud seconded it, passed 2-0.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.


Janice Lowe, Clerk/Treas


James Prast, President