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REMOVE**April 5, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Town of Pines Council was called to order at 6:29 pm. Cathi Murray led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance were Cathi Murray, Vicki Kuzio, James Prast, Alan Murray, and Jessica Ann Murray. James made a motion to accept the March minutes. Vicki seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed 3-0.

Clerk Treasurer

As of April 1, the clerk treasurer, Jessica Ann Murray had sent in her letter of resignation. She has moved out of the Town of Pines and is no longer eligible for the position. She will continue to help with the last of the work and help whenever available. James made a motion to appoint Cathi Murray, the Town Council President, interim clerk treasurer, until a replacement has been found. Vick seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed 3-0. James made a motion to hire an accountant to help alongside Cathi with the books until a replacement clerk treasurer is found. Vicki seconded motion. The motion was voted on and passed 3-0.

Paul Labovitz, National Lakeshore Supervisor, gave a presentation and the programs they go on and to address all the recent flooding. There was much discussion about flooding and the action plan to help control the issue.

Building and Zoning

There were four permits taken out this month. Csthi made a motion for James to go to Valpo and retrieve copies of maps. Vicki seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed 3-0. Burton is moving off property in about a month. The railroad is taking over the property. The property on Hwy 20 still has all the cars. The town will continue to get estimates on cleaning the property..

Fire Department

An open house is scheduled for June 4. June 11th is the rain date. They just need permission to use the Town Hall from 2-4pm. They are having a donation drive. They need \$300 worth of stamps and donations are accepted. County is going to a 800 megahertz radio and were told to bug town officials to pay for the radios. There were 7 calls this month.

Street Department

Several calls about railroad ave about potholes. The tree on Walnut was taken care of. The culverts are backed up and the resident who helped with the beavers is not able to help. Street signs are needed at Idaho and Hwy 12. Flyers are out for spring cleanup. Leaves cannot b picked up.

Old Business

Changes to the Ordinance were sent in and the lawyer sent back with comments. The council discussed all the proposed changes. Bud will meet with Greg and discuss the changes. The first reading will be in May. The recycling contract will expire in June 2017 and a new one needs to be drawn up. They are for every three years and will need to be put up for bid..

New Business

There was none at this time.

Public Comments

Tom Brands wife made comments about things for the website. Mrs. Stone's house is for sale and she would like to donate \$100 to Fire department. Gary and Diana Lawrence also donated \$100. The Brands donated the last \$100 to the Fire Department.

There is a BZA meeting on April 6 at 6:30pm.

Claims

James made a motion to pay the claims. Vicki seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed 3-0.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 pm.