

May 25, 2016

The special meeting of the Town of Pines Town Council was called to order at 6:30 pm. Cathi led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. In attendance: Cathi Murray, James Prast, the Town Attorney, Greg Sobkowski, and Jessica Ann Murray. James made a motion to move Eileen Heisler to position number two on the agenda. Cathi seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 2-0. Vicki Kuzio showed up at this time.

Eileen Heisler

She is from Beverly Shores and had brought an issue of a Dog park to the council members. A group of people in Beverly Shores have no place for their dogs to exercise and run around without a leash. She would like to know if the Town has any interest in providing the land for a dog park to be built. Cathi asked how they are planning on financing this project and there is a group already that is eager to put up the money. James said he would meet with her after to the meeting to get more information on the subject.

Solar Lights

There is only one bid that has been put in from a company called Continental. Alan provided the council members with a packet of information on the bid and the lights themselves that was given by the rep from the company. The bid is for \$7,500. This includes installation and they have also agreed to come out and spot the pole, or install. It was discussed that NIPSCO be contacted and compare this to the cost of a traditional lighting system.

NIPSCO Access Agreement

Nick Meyer, Director of Communication presented to the council the agreement. The lawyer for NIPSCO gave an overview of the process and what the agreement is about. Mr. Sobkowski also summarized the points that have already been agreed upon. The agreement will apply to the site forever and there will also be a restrictive covenant that will be put into place. After much discussion, the council asked for Mr. Sobkowski's recommendation. He stated that all documents are proper form and everything looks okay. James made a motion to sign the Access Agreement and the Memorandum with Haley, as the attorney has spelled out. Vicki seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 3-0. James made a motion to issue a building permit at no cost to do the work needed. Vicki seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 3-0. James also made a motion at this time to change the Jun 8th meeting to June 9th in order to attend the EPA meeting on the 8th. Vicki seconded the motion and the motion was voted on and passed 3-0.

Fire Protection

Quite a bit of information is still needed including the insurance policy needed. Mr. Sobkowski explained all of the legal requirements that the Town has to provide the department. A fire truck has been obtained. After much discussion between the council and the Township Firefighters, James will contact Beverly Shores to see get more information.

As there was no more business to attend to the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

New Business

There is no business at this time.

Public Comments

Diana Lawrence wants to see the covenants that are in the Town Access Agreement.

Claims

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

As there was no other business to attend to the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Jessica Ann Murray, Clerk Treasurer

Cathi Murray, Council President