

## **Town Of Pelzer Public Meeting**

### **Minutes**

**February 14, 2023**

**Council Present** – Will Ragland, Donna Ide, Alisha Tuttle, Mike Mathews, Eddie Waits

**Staff Present** – Town of Pelzer Clerk – Cheryl Bates, Town Attorney – Richard Thompson

Press – David Meade

#### **1. Call to Order Meeting – Mayor Ragland**

**2. Mayor advised the residents about the Business License and application, there were a few questions that were asked by residents and council. Questions answered to the best of our knowledge and told that we are new at all of this and we will be checking into obtaining the answers. We have an ordinance and the fees are low to start but we can change this at a later date.**

**3. Adjourn Mayor Ragland made a motion to adjourn, Mike Mathews 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor.**

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#### **1, Call to Order – Mayor Ragland**

#### **2. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance – Mike Mathews**

#### **3. Citizen's Comments –**

**a. Nicole Higgins – Mentioned that her lease is up soon (April 1<sup>st</sup>), and she would like to renew her lease with the town, and has had conversations with council members and mayor. She would like to know something sooner than later.**

#### **4. Approval of Minutes**

**a. Jan. 10 Council Meeting – Donna Ide made the motion to approve, Mike Mathews 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor.**

#### **5. Clerk's Report/Presentation**

**a. Cheryl Bates stated that the town had 72 work orders in the month of January, 16 were to connect service, 23 to disconnect and 33 miscellaneous. Police Coverage – 64 traffic stops, 125 contacts, 47 calls for service and 7 arrest made in the month of January.**

**b. Richard Thompson, Town Attorney updated Mayor, Council and residents that the Church property should be wrapped up in March and the case for the pool was not on the docket yet, but Attorney Logan had taken his depositions for the case. Will advise as he hears more.**

c. Alecia Hunter, Anderson County Planning Development & Building Director addressed the Mayor and Council about camper living. Advising the Mayor and council that they need to consider putting in place an ordinance against living in campers within the town limits due to it is a Fire, Life and Safety issue, campers are not built to live in they are for recreational purposes only. The county does not and will not permit living in campers throughout the county, so living in campers is illegal. If the town permits living in campers it is a liability risk to the town and with a fire this past week in a camper those are some of the reasons that the county does not permit living in campers. Alicia handed out a flyer to all members of the council to help explain the importance of this issue.

## **6. OLD BUSINESS**

a. C Fund assistance for road paving – Mayor Ragland advised that the town has not yet received these funds and we were post phoned until a later meeting, which should take place in May.

b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance 23-001 – Duke Energy Franchise Fee at 5% - Mayor Ragland made the motion to accept, Alisha Tuttle 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Mayor Ragland, Alisha Tuttle and Mike Mathews voted to approve, Donna Ide and Eddie Waits opposed. Motion passed with 3/2 vote.

c. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance 23-002 – Adoption of Fee Schedule for Planning and Development – Mike Mathews made the motion to approve, Alisha Tuttle 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor.

d. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance 23-003 – Establishing a Municipal Board of Zoning Appeals – Donna Ide made the motion to approve, Alisha Tuttle 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor.

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

a. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Ordinance 23-004 – Business Regulation and Licensing Ordinance – Donna Ide made the motion, Mike Mathews 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor.

## **8. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

a. Board of Zoning Appeals – seeking applications for 5 seats – have 2 applications, if we get a 3<sup>rd</sup> applicant we can get the board started.

b. Election Commission – seeking application for 1 seat – Mayor advised that we are still in need of 1 applicant.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Mayor Ragland made motion to go into Executive Session for contractual matters, Mike Mathews 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor. Mayor Ragland made motion to come out of Executive Session, Alisha Tuttle 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor. No decisions where made.

10. REQUEST BY COUNCIL – Donna Ide questioned the post she saw on facebook about a cleaning lady. Mayor said he has it resolved. Mayor Ragland gave update on the two projects that were completed the gym breaker box and the sidewalk at 1 Brock St.

11. ADJOURNMENT - Mike Mathews made the motion to adjourn, Alisha Tuttle 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor.