

TOWN OF PELZER REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING

MINUTES

MARCH 9, 2021

COUNCIL PRESENT – WILL RAGLAND, MIKE MATHEWS, EDDIE WAITS, SKIP GOLDSMITH, ALISHA TUTTLE

STAFF PRESENT – TOWN OF PELZER CLERK – CHERYL BOUDREAU -MARK VICKERY – MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR

TOWN ATTORNEY – RICHARD THOMPSON

PRESS – STAN WELCH

MAYOR RAGLAND AMENDED THE AGENDA TO ADD A PUBLIC HEARING & 1ST READING ON ORDINANCE TO ADOPT UNIFORM BUILDING CODES AND TO AMEND FY 20/21 BUDGET

MAYOR RAGLAND MADE THE MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA, ALISHA TUTTLE 2ND THE MOTION WITH ALL IN FAVOR.

PUBLIC HEARING

CALL TO ORDER FOR PUBLIC HEARING – WILL RAGLAND

MAYOR RAGLAND ADVISED COUNCIL AND RESIDENTS THAT WE NEED TO ADOPT THESE BUILDING CODES FROM ANDERSON COUNTY DUE TO THE NEW DEVELOPMENTS THAT WILL BE OCCURRING IN TOWN IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE.

PUBLIC HEARING – MAYOR RAGLAND ADVISED OF CODES FOR THE BUILDING CODES WILL BE ADOPTED, AND THE AMENDING OF FY 20/21 BUDGET TO ADD A 3RD FULL TIME EMPLOYEE TO MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT.

AMENDING THE FY20-21 BUDGET TO HIRE A THIRD MAINTENANCE EMPLOYEE – MAYOR RAGLAND EXPLAINED THE NEEDS, THE COST THAT THIS ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEE WOULD BE FOR THE 17 WEEKS LEFT IN THIS BUDGET, MADE THE MOTION TO AMEND THE BUDGET.

PUBLIC HEARING WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:42 PM

CALL TO ORDER REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – MAYOR RAGLAND

INVOCATION/PRAYER – SKIP GOLDSMITH

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMENTS

RONNIE SHORT – MENTIONED HIS CONCERN WITH ALL THE NOISE ON LEBBY STREET AROUND THE POST OFFICE.

OLENE BEAR STATED HER CONCERNS WITH THE SELLING OF THE CELL TOWER.

EARL MCCLELLION STATED THAT MAYOR RAGLAND IS THE ONLY MAYOR THAT WANTS TO SELL TOWN PROPERTY.

MR. GRUBBS STATED THAT HE WANTS A NEW METER AND THERE IS A 8" DROP FROM THE ROAD TO HIS YARD.

DONNA IDE STATED HER CONCERNS ABOUT THE MONEY THAT WAS SPENT AND LOST ON THE MURAL, AND THE HIRING OF NEW EMPLOYEE THAT IT WASN'T ADVERTISED, ALSO MENTIONED THAT SHE IS AGAINST THE SALE OF THE CELL TOWER.

DONNA SHIRLEY STATED THAT THE Q & A WHY DOES IT NEED TO BE AFTER THE MEETING AND NOT AS QUESTIONS ARE ASKED.

MICHELE WATSON MENTIONED THAT SHE'S ORGANIZED A BLOOD DRIVE FOR APRIL AND WOULD LIKE TO HOLD IT AT THE GYM, AND WILL ADVISED WITH SPECIFICS.

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M. HAYGOOD CONCERNED WITH THE PROSPECT OF A TIRE SHOP GOING INTO SPACE WHERE PELZER POOL WAS AND CONCERNED ABOUT THEFT.

SHIRLEY WALKER PRESENTED MAYOR AND COUNCIL WITH A PETITION AGAINST THE PROSPECT OF A TIRE SHOP ON THE OLD PELZER POOL PROPERTY.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. FEBRUARY 9TH – ALISHA TUTTLE MOTION TO ACCEPT, MIKE MATHEWS 2ND THE MOTION ALL IN FAVOR

B. MARCH 2ND – SPECIAL MEETING – MIKE MATHEWS MOTIONED TO ACCEPT, SKIP GOLDSMITH 2ND THE MOTION ALL IN FAVOR

CLERK'S REPORT

A. CHERYL BOUDREAU ADVISED THAT THERE WERE 50 WORK ORDERS DONE IN FEBRUARY – 30 WERE MISCELLANEOUS, 14 WERE TO CONNECT SERVICE AND 6 WERE TO DISCONNECT. POLICE COVERAGE – 72 TRAFFIC STOPS – 89 CONTACTS – 51 CALLS FOR SERVICE AND 12 ARREST FOR MONTH OF FEBRUARY.

OLD BUSINESS

A. 2ND READING OF ORDINANCE NO 2021-0302 – MAYOR RAGLAND MADE MOTION TO ACCEPT, ALISHA TUTTLE 2ND THE MOTION , ALL IN FAVOR.

NEW BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCE NO. 2021 – 003.001 “ADOPTION OF UNIFORM BUILDING CODES” MAYOR RAGLAND MOTION TO ACCEPT, SKIP GOLDSMITH 2ND THE MOTION, ALL IN FAVOR.

B. RESOLUTION NO. 2021-0309 “RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE TOWN OF PELZER STRATEGIC PRIORITIES FOR 2021/2022” MAYOR RAGLAND MADE MOTION TO ACCEPT, EDDIE WAITS 2ND THE MOTION, ALL IN FAVOR.

C. 1ST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2021-003 “ ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CELL TOWER SITE” – MAYOR RAGLAND MOTION TO ACCEPT, SKIP GOLDSMITH 2ND THE MOTION, ALISHA TUTTLE WAS IN FAVOR. EDDIE WAITS AND MIKE MATHEW OPPOSED.

D. TIMBER SALE – MAYOR RAGLAND MOTIONED TO APPROVE CONTRACT FROM HERITAGE LAND AND TIMBER, INC. TO SELL THE TIMBER, SKIP GOLDSMITH 2ND THE MOTION, ALL IN FAVOR.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – SKIP GOLDSMITH MADE MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION, MAYOR RAGLAND 2ND THE MOTION, ALL IN FAVOR.

MAYOR RAGLAND MOTIONED TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION, MIKE MATHEWS 2ND THE MOTION, ALL IN FAVOR

NO ACTION IS BEING TAKEN

REQUEST BY COUNCIL

MAYOR RAGLAND STATED THAT THEY ARE ALL AVAILABLE TO SPEAK TO AT ANY TIME IF THEY WISH TO.

MIKE MATHEWS MADE MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING, ALISHA TUTTLE 2ND THE MOTION, ALL IN FAVOR.