

Minutes of the Pelzer Town Council

Monthly Meeting

May 8, 2018 @ Pelzer Community Building

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Roger Scott, Sr
Mayor Pro Tempore Olene Bear
Councilmembers Mike Mathews, Eddie Waits, Gary Pridmore

STAFF:

Cheryl Boudreau – Town of Pelzer Municipal Clerk
Stan Welch – The Williamston Journal

INVOCATION/PRAYER: Mayor Roger Scott, Sr.

CALL TO ORDER: 7pm – Mayor Roger Scott, Sr.

CITIZEN SIGN UP SHEET:

1. Mike Summerville – Brought to the attention of Mayor & Council, that Ft. Hill Natural Gas had done some work on Baptist/Square St., and due to the work done they left holes in road and needed to be called out to repair it. Mayor said that we will address them with Ft. Hill.
2. Jane Frye (Cheryl Boudreau) – She asked if we would consider making River Street a one-way street, she had an incident and Highway Patrol was out there and they had mentioned to her that River Street should be a one way street. Mayor and Council said we will check with Anderson County to see what we have to do to make this happen.

APPROVE MINUTES :

Eddie Waits made the motion to approve April 10, 2018 minutes, Mike Mathews seconded it and all in favor.

CLERK'S REPORT:

1. Advised all that the Town office will be closing at noon Friday, May 11, 2018, I will be taking ½ day from my floating holiday.
2. Asked Mayor and Council to consider renting out the Monkey Park Picnic Shelter do to I am getting several calls for such. Asked them to take into consideration the following items before putting a cost on this if they approve to do so, need application, cost, trash, electricity and bathrooms. They said they will consider it but no decision was made as of yet.
3. Resurfacing of Roads – Presented Mayor and Council with the Application for C Funds through the State with the list of roads that will be re-surfaced, asked them for a motion

and a vote to accept the Resolution for this project. We will be using \$15,000.00 or our \$21,000.00 we have available on account with Anderson County, and requesting \$150,000.00 through the C Fund for a total of \$165,000.00, for this project. Also mentioned per a discussion with Holt Holcombe of Anderson County Roads and Bridges found out that we can request up to 5 roads a year, and he said we might not have to have a match. Garbo made the motion to accept and vote, Eddie Waits seconded the motion, all accepted and signed the Resolution.

Mike Mathews made a motion to amend the agenda to read and discuss Letter of Termination received from West Pelzer, Eddie Waits seconded the motion, all in favor.

Mayor Scott had asked Cheryl Boudreau to read aloud the letter received. Linda Ford questioned Mayor Scott if he had spoken with Mayor Sanders, regarding termination of this contract, because she saw in The Journal Mayor Sanders mentioned that he did not discuss this with Mayor Scott. Mayor Scott and Councilman Waits said they had had a very long meeting with regards to such topic.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Linda Ford– Beattie & McCaughrin railroad tracks, they are not being used, we need to see who owns the rails and they need to be pulled up and it needs to be paved because it is in bad shape the way it is now.

Jerry Hill – Questioned the ownership of the software for the new Radio read meters, and that what will we do without that software? Eddie Waits addressed this and confirmed that West Pelzer does own the software because they started replacing their manual read meters with radio read meters before us, and even though they are radio read meters they can still be read manually, until we purchase our own software. Mayor Scott said all meters will be read no matter what. Also invited Mayor, Council and all Residents to May 22, 2018, Tuesday night dinner at 6:30 p.m. to Feed the Sheep, hosted by Hillcrest Baptist Church, it is being help at the Pelzer Monkey Park, picnic shelter.

Resident – Spoke on a survey she saw on Facebook with all the controversy about water bills and stated that she is happy with her water bill and that putting such a thing on Facebook is not going to help the situation.

INFORMATION:

Councilmember Eddie Waits –

- We need to consider looking into a new billing software, printing our own utility bills, as the cost to send bills out is about \$400.00, monthly and he has recently spoken to another township with regards to their billing system and was advised that the QS1 that we currently use is the most difficult one out there.
- Eddie advised residents that he will not address Town business nor personal business on Facebook and to please contact him personally if you need to discuss these items,

- Eddie Waits thanked each and every one for coming out and believing in us. We are here to work for you and we are working on several items and it all takes time.

Mike Mathews – Thanked everyone for coming out, we appreciate you all. Our campaign slogan was “Every Voice Matters”, we mean that and will do our best to follow through with it. He wanted to personally thank Kim Hines-Mix for all she has done for the town and that we will all miss her when she moves back to New York. Wished all mothers a Happy Mother’s Day, and to please keep Sandi Jeanes and her family in their prayers, they are going through a very difficult time.

Olene Bear – Updated everyone on the Flea & Farmer’s Market, they’ve only had two so far, and its going to take time, there is another one this weekend, its going to take time but hopefully it will catch on and that Charles Emery supplies food for this event and all the monies raised is donated to children in Pelzer, so please stop by and support him.

Garbo Pridmore – Wants to Thank everyone for coming out and supporting them. Advised the Mayor, Council and residents that the Shirley brothers and Charles Mc Junkin volunteer to fix the electricity fixed in the Monkey Park for Charles Emery, so he can be closer to the Flea & Farmer’s Market, because some people have been overheard saying that to walk up to the picnic shelter was to far. So he will be situated closer to the event.

Roger Scott – We face new challenges every day, and there is a lot of work and plenty of things happening. If you have questions please call us with your questions and concerns, we will be more than happy to either meet with you personally, speak with you on the phone. We are having the really bad hole on Capers Street, fixed by Anderson County, within the next few weeks. Advised residents that we will be packing up the pictures from the Community Building, and store them in a safe place until we get the old hospital renovated into our new town hall, which is where they will be displayed

ADJOURNMENT:

Approximately 8:15 pm – Councilmember Gary “Garbo” Pridmore made a motion to adjourn. Eddie Waits, seconded. All approved.

Cheryl Boudreau
Municipal Clerk
Town of Pelzer