

**CITY OF PINE LAKE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 25, 2020
7:00 PM
VIA ZOOM**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Melanie Hammet. Also, in attendance were Mayor Pro Tem Jean Bordeaux and Council members Tracey Brantley, Brandy Beavers, Brandy Hall and Augusta Woods, Police Chief Sarai Y'Hudah-Green, City Attorney Susan Moore and City Administrator Valerie Caldwell.

Announcements/Communication

- ❖ Council member Hall announced that the Foodwell Alliance timeline has been pushed to 2021.
- ❖ Council member Beavers communicated the desire to amend the agenda to add traffic issues and the running of stop signs within the city.

Adoption of Agenda

The agenda was amended to add the discussion with Chief Green on traffic issues; speeding and running of stop signs. Motion to adopt as amended by Council member Hall, seconded by Council member Brantley. Approved 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Review of Draft Sign Ordinance

Council members reported the status of the items each was researching. This will be placed on the September 8, 2020 agenda for further discussion. Scheduled for Public Hearing on September 25, 2020.

CARES Act Funding – Development of Budget

Mayor pro tem Bordeaux and Council member Brantley attended a webinar on CARES Act funding. Mayor pro tem Bordeaux reported on CARES Act money budgeting and recommended the City consider using funding for salaries for police officers. There was discussion on this item, but no action was taken.

COVID-19 Update

Mayor Hammet provided an update of the COVID-19 novel virus and its effects on the nation and provided specifics for the State of Georgia.

NEW BUSINESS

Update on speeding on Spruce and Clubhouse Drive

Council member Beavers inquired about the excessive speeding within the city. Chief Green stated that electronic traffic counters would be installed and will provide speed data analysis. She said that Spruce and Clubhouse Drives are some of the more traveled roads within the city.

Scheduling of Town Hall Council

The purpose of the schedule is to provide for adequate social distancing for Town Hall meetings. Council discussed multiple Town Halls on the screened porch at the Beach House. Mayor Hammet will measure out the floor space to determine the maximum number of people allowed within social distancing requirements.

Public Comments

There were no comments.

Mayor's Comment

There were no comments.

Council Comment

Council member Beavers thanked Chief Green for the excellent work that she does for the city and public safety. She also commented on billboards as it relates to the sign ordinance.

Council member Hall commented that she is exploring other sign ordinances regarding the issue of glass windows. She noted that she had researched the City of Avondale and City of Decatur on total surface area for temporary signs. Council member Hall stated that safety and visibility are key factors and recommended an ordinance like the City of Decatur.

Councilmember Woods reported that she talked with David Burt, Economic Development Consultant regarding murals on Rockbridge Road. If permitted, the murals would be considered a piece of art.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m. on a motion by Mayor pro tem Bordeaux and seconded by Council member Brantley and was unanimously approved.