

CITY OF PINE LAKE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
December 8, 2020
7:00 PM
VIA ZOOM

Call to Order **Call to Order** at 7:07pm by Mayor Melanie Hammet. Meeting was late due to technical issues.

Present – Mayor Melanie Hammet, Mayor Pro-Tem Jean Bordeaux and Council members Tracey Brantley, Brandy Hall and Augusta Woods. Also present were Acting City Administrator Peggy Merriss, Administrative Assistant Missye Varner, and Chief Sarai Y’Hudah-Green. Council member Brandy Beavers and City Attorney Susan Moore were not in attendance.

Announcements/Communication

- Mayor Hammet communicated that on December 6th approximate 100 residents attended the lighting of the lake. She expressed that the citizens were glad to see each other since practicing social distancing during the novel COVID-19 pandemic. Musician and resident Diane Durrett provided great music and globes were passed out to all that attended.

Adoption of Agenda

On motion by Council member Woods; seconded by Council member Hall, the Consent Agenda was approved unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Adoption of the City Council Meeting and Executive Session Minutes for November 24, 2020. On motion by Council member Bordeaux; second by Council member Woods, the Consent Agenda was approved unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

COVID-19 Pandemic Report – Mayor Hammet

Mayor Hammet reported that the state of Georgia Mayors is still having their weekly virtual meetings. On the call this week was representatives in the immunologist field and Dr. Anthony Fauci, Director of the National Institute of Allergy & Infectious Diseases providing updates of the novel virus. Hammet said that COVID-19 begun peaking in August and there is an increase in deaths. The winter and Thanksgiving surges are 56% higher than the previous week. Mayor Hammet stated that local leadership need to double-down on wearing mask, social distancing and hand washing.

Council member Brantley gave an update on COVID 19 planning and said that there will be a meeting on December 7th. The topic will be discussion of the vaccine, how to support the city local businesses and community. Also discussed will be the food pantry and how to get information disseminated to the public.

NEW BUSINESS

Amendment #1 to Employment Agreement

Amendment #1 to the Employment Agreement extends the term of the agreement for professional services of Peggy Merriss as Acting City Administrator to April 4, 2021. On motion by Council member Woods; 2nd by Council member Hall, the amendment was approved unanimously.

Resolution Confirming Executive Session

On motion by Council member Hall; 2nd by Council member Brantley; the resolution **#R-08-2020** was approved unanimously.

Public Comments

Tina Kite, resident inquired about an update of Georgia Power and the removal of the trees on Spruce Drive. Mayor Hammet advised Ms. Kite that should be a meeting within next week. Kite asked how the information will be communicated and Hammet replied that resident Lee Scott and Council member Beavers will get the information out to the community via the various communication

Mayor's Comment

There were not any mayoral comments.

Council Comment

There were not any council comments.

Adjournment On motion by Council member Brantley; 2nd by Council member Woods, the adjournment was approved unanimously.