

MINUTES OF THE
PELZER TOWN COUNCIL
MONTHLY MEETING

JANUARY 16, 2018

7:00 P.M.

PELZER COMMUNITY BUILDING

COUNCIL PRESENT – ROGER SCOTT, SR., OLENE BEAR, EDDIE WAITS, MIKE MATTHEWS

INVOCATION/PRAYER: ROGER SCOTT OPENED WITH PRAYER

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. COUNCIL APPROVED MINUTES FROM SPECIAL CALLED MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 8, 2018
2. MAYOR AND COUNCIL SET MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR 2ND TUESDAY AT 7:00 P.M., AT THE COMMUNITY BUILDING. ALL APPROVED.
3. NEW TOWN OFFICE HOURS FOR TOWN OF PELZER WAS SET AS FOLLOWS: MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM, CLOSED BETWEEN 12:00 – 1:00 FOR LUNCH
4. NEW OBSERVED HOLIDAY'S FOR TOWN OF PELZER WAS SET BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL AND THEY ADVISED TOWN THAT THERE WILL BE 9 PAID HOLIDAY'S AND WILL BE POSTED ON TOWN'S WEBSITE.

CITIZEN INPUT:

- LINDA FORD- PRESENTED COUNCIL AND MAYOR WITH A LIST OF HOMES THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED WITH REGARDS TO ABANDONED, UNKEPT
- JERRY HILL – BROUGHT TO COUNCIL/MAYOR THAT WE NEED TO FIND WAY TO ADDRESS THE UNKEPT YARDS (ORDINANCES). ALSO, TRASH PICKUP CONCERNS, IF THERE CAN BE A WAY TO HAVE A SET TIME WITH THE CONTRACTOR. MAYOR SCOTT WILL BE ADDRESSING THESE ISSUES WITH THE CONTRACTOR.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

- SANDY BURROUGHS JEANS – ASKED ABOUT COMMITTEES WHEN WILL BE SETTING THEM UP. THIS WAS ADDRESSED BY COUNCILMAN WAITS HE SAID HE WILL HAVE A BETTER ANSWER TO GIVE TO THIS AT OUR NEXT COUNCIL MEETING.
- KIM MIX-HINES – ASKED WHEN WILL WE BE RECEIVING BETTER POLICE COVERAGE THROUGH ANDERSON COUNTY. MAYOR SCOTT, ADDRESSED THIS AND ADVISED ALL THAT WE WILL BE WORKING WITH SHERIFF MCBRIDE TO WORK ON THAT ALONG WITH LOOKING INTO ORDINANCES.
- COUNCILWOMAN BEAR – ADDRESSED THE RESIDENTS WITH A HEART FELT THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING HER AND REST OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL, AND SAYING THERE

ARE A LOT OF EXCITING THINGS TO COME AND IT STARTED WITH THE HOLIDAY FAIR WE HAD IN NOVEMBER AND WHAT A JOY IT IS TO SEE CHILDREN USING THE GYM AND ENJOYING THEMSELVES.

- LINDA FORD – ASKED IF ANYONE KNEW WHAT THE DEAL WAS WITH PROPERTIES THAT ARE BEING SOLD AROUND PELZER LIKE BRACKENS AUTO, WHO IS PURCHASING AND WHY ARE THEY PURCHASING THEM? ACCORDING TO MAYOR AND COUNCIL, THEY HEARD THAT AN INVESTMENT COMPANY IS ONE WHO IS INTERESTED IN PURCHASING AND POSSIBLY DEVELOPING THESE LOCATIONS.
- JERRY HILL – BROUGHT A CONCERN ABOUT GO KARTS BEING DRIVEN ON THE STREETS BY CHILDREN THAT LOOK TO BE 5-6 YEARS OLD. IS THERE ANY LAWS, LIKE WITH ATV'S (MUST HAVE INSURANCE, REGISTERED AND BE DRIVEN BY LICENSED DRIVER), MAYOR SCOTT SAID THEY WILL LOOK INTO COUNTY ORDINANCES AND THAT THIS IS JUST ONE REASON WE NEED TO GET OUR OWN TOWN ORDINANCES PUT INTO PLACE.
- MIKE S – CONCERNED WITH PEOPLE PARKING CARS ON SIDEWALKS AND BLOCKING THE VISION OF DRIVERS ON WHERE SQUARE/LOPEZ/SMYTHE STREETS MEET. IF PEOPLE CAN'T SEE THERE IS GOING TO BE A BAD WRECK ONE DAY. THIS TOO MIGHT BE AN ORDINANCE ISSUE. MAYOR SCOTT AND COUNCIL WILL BE CHECKING INTO THIS.
- MAYOR SCOTT SAID THERE IS A FREIGHTLINER THAT PARKS BLOCKING VISION ON ADGER/COURTNEY STREETS. THEY WILL CHECK INTO THIS AS WELL.
- KIM MIX-HINES – QUESTIONED IF THE PHC WILL START WORKING MORE CLOSELY WITH THE TOWN. MAYOR SCOTT SAID HE HOPES THAT THEY CAN HAVE A BETTER WORKING RELATIONSHIP, NOT ONLY WITH THEM BUT WITH ALL GROUPS/COMMITTEES WITHIN THE TOWN. ALL COUNCIL AGREES ON THIS MATTER AND WILL WORK ON WAYS TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN, TO THEIR KNOWLEDGE THERE ARE 5 – 501C NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS SET UP WITHIN THE TOWN.
- MAYOR SCOTT MADE A STATEMENT “ THIS IS YOUR TOWN AND YOUR VOICE WILL BE HEARD”. HE PROMISED, TO LISTEN TO ALL WITH CONCERNS.
- COUNCILMAN MATTHEWS STATED THAT THEY NEED TO MEET WITH RUSTY BURNS OF ANDERSON COUNTY, TO SEE WHAT IF ANYTHING THEY CAN HELP OUR TOWN WITH.
- COUNCILMAN WAITS WOULD LIKE TO SET-UP A MEETING WITH ALL LOCAL CHURCHES TO SEE WHAT THEY CAN DO WITH THE TOWN TO ADDRESS SOME OF THE ISSUES WITHIN OUR TOWN (HOMELESS, DRUGGIES, PEOPLE WITH NEEDS).
- MAYOR SCOTT MENTIONED THAT WE WILL BE HAVING WORKSHOPS AND THEY WILL BE DIFFERENT THAN THE ONES IN PAST.
- COUNCILMAN WAITS MADE MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING AT 8:30 PM, COUNCILWOMAN BEAR 2ND THE MOTION, ALL APPROVED.