

# Town of Pelzer Council Meeting

## Minutes

October 10, 2023

**Council Present** – Will Ragland, Donna Ide, Mike Matthews, Eddie Waits

**Staff Present** – Cheryl Bates, Town Attorney- Richard Thompson

1. Call to Order – Mayor Ragland
2. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance – Mike Matthews
3. Citizen's Comments
  - a. Laura Rainey – Advised Mayor and Council that she has received two applications for the open seat in the Planning Commission, Chris Baker and Brenda Helmuth, and would like for them to be appointed because she is in jeopardy of not having a quorum due to she has one member that will be on maternity leave soon.
  - b. Shane Smith asked for funding for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks show, stated that if he gets the money before January he can purchase more and it will increase the size of the show. The budget they had last year was \$5,000.00.
4. Approval of Minutes
  - a. August 8, Council Meeting – Donna Ide made the motion to approve, Mike Mathews 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor.
  - b. September 12, 2023, Council Meeting – Donna Ide made the motion to approve, Eddie Waits 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor.
5. Reports/Presentations
  - a. Cheryl Bates – Clerk's Report
    - Police Coverage for September 2023** – Traffic Stops/43, Contacts/78, Calls for Service/17, Arrest/8.
    - Christmas Market – November 18, 2023, 10:00 – 4:00** – Taking vendor applications for this year's market, we are also looking for food vendors for the day. If anyone knows of anyone who would like to be a vendor, please have them contact me so I can get them an application.
6. Old Business – None
7. New Business
  - a. Application for Planning Commission – Brenda Helmuth – Mayor Ragland made motion to approve this application, Mike Mathews 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor. Chris Baker – Mayor Ragland made the motion to approve this application, Donna Ide 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor.
  - b. Duke Energy – proposal for additional streetlights – Proposal is for an additional 27 streetlights, for an additional monthly cost of \$271.35. Mayor Ragland made the motion to approve this proposal, Eddie Waits 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor.
  - c. Historic tax credits proposal for hospital – Preservation South –

Proposal is to undertake this scope based on a flat fee equal to 9% of the gross tax credit amount. Mayor Ragland made the motion to approve this proposal, Eddie Waits 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all approved.

- d. Hospitality funds request – July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration – Mayor Ragland proposed \$3,000.00 to be dedicated to support, Eddie Waits 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.

8. Executive Session – nothing needed.

9. Adjournment – Mike Mathews made a motion to adjourn, Donna Ide 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor.



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