

Town Council Meeting Minutes

June 11, 2024

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

Staff Present – Cheryl Bates, Town Attorney- Richard Thompson

1. Call to Order – Mayor Ragland
2. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance – Mike Matthews
3. Citizens Comments (sign-up required – 3 minutes)
 - a. Chase Smithwick – He said it was his pleasure working with the group of volunteers at Monkey Park. He also mentioned that he sees and hears a lot of complaining about everything and what we need to do is bring people together through holding some events, he spoke with the Masons at the Masonic Lodge and they would like to host 4 festivals a year: Spring (around Easter), July (around 4th of July), October (around Halloween, and December (around Christmas). He would like the Mayor and Council to support these festivals, they will do most of all the work. He would like to use the Pelzer Gym on July 13th to host a Fish Fry. Lastly, he would like to know when the Community Building would be completed as it would be great to hold events there and have people see the renovations.
4. Approval of Minutes
 - a. May 14th minute, Cruz West made the motion to approve, Donna Ide 2nd the motion to approve, all in favor.
5. Reports/Presentations
 - a. Cheryl Bates – Clerk’s Report Police Coverage for May 2024 – Traffic Stops/28, Contacts/74, Calls for Service/9, Arrest/1.
 - b. Fire Hydrant Project is still going on, updates are posted on town website when I receive them. Tomorrow and the rest of the week they will have the water off between 12:00 – 1:00, on Lebbly Street, they will continue working on Lebbly Street next week and hope to be done by the end of the month.
6. Old Business
 - a. 2nd Reading of Ordinance 24-003: An ordinance to re-zone TMS #243-03-02-001 from Industrial to Residential Single Family. Eddie Waits made the motion to approve, Donna Ide 2nd the motion to approve, all in favor.
 - b. 2nd Reading of Ordinance 24-004: An ordinance to re-zone TMS#244-10-02-051 from Industrial to General Commercial. Eddie Waits made the motion to approve, Donna Ide 2nd the motion to approve, all in favor.
7. New Business
 - a. 1st Reading of Ordinance 24-005: Town of Pelzer FY 24/25 Budget – Cruz West made the motion to approve, Will Ragland 2nd the motion. Discussion – Donna Ide – had the following items for discussion: Police coverage, Planning Commission, Hospitality. Eddie Waits asked if all the members of the Planning Commission and the BZA could be put on the town’s website with their titles, and email addresses, if they will be assigned email addresses. Donna Ide questioned if all Planning Commission members have met all training requirements. After discussion, motion passed with all in favor.
8. Executive Session – Mayor Ragland made the motion to go into Executive Session to discuss legal matters with no actions being taken, Donna Ide 2nd the motion, all in favor. Mayor Ragland made the motion to come out of Executive Session, Mike Mathews 2nd the motion, all in favor. No action was taken.
9. Adjournment – Mayor Ragland. The mayor adjourned the meeting.

This is not approved until the next Council meeting



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