

MINUTES

Pike Road Town Council Regular Meeting
Monday, May 10, 2021 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Stone opened the Public Hearing at 6:06 PM. There was only one Public Hearing advertised for the meeting. It was a Zoning Ordinance Amendment-PUD Amendment-Stone Park. Jonathan Smith, Planning Director, gave an overview and his report to the council on the request. Smith noted that the Pike Road Planning Commission suggested denial of the PUD Amendment-Stone Park. There was discussion and questions of the council, but no public comment. Mayor Stone closed the Public Hearing at 6:10 PM.

Mayor Stone called the meeting to order at 6:10 PM. Councilman Fuhrman opened the meeting in prayer. Mayor Stone led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Council members present were Angie Bradsher, Chris Dunn, Doug Fuhrman, Chris Myers, and Rob Steindorff. A quorum was noted.

Consideration was given to the minutes for the regular meeting of April 28, 2021. Councilman Steindorff made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, Councilwoman Bradsher seconded. Unanimous consent was given. The minutes were accepted as presented.

Mayor Stone welcomed the Pike Road Intermediate School SGA and school representatives for a presentation to the council. SGA President, Tristan Bradsher and Gunner Gibbs asked the council to consider partnering with them to provide a playground or outdoor classroom that would be accessible by the RISE students at the school and the community. SGA sponsor, Brittany Parker and RISE lead learner, Mrs. Ellis also emphasized the need for an inclusive space. Mayor Stone committed to have the Town's planning team investigate possible solutions.

Planning

Chairman of the Planning Commission, Councilman Dunn noted that the PC meeting had 2 Public Hearings on their agenda tonight. One was the Marler/Vaughn PUD Preliminary and Final Plats and the other was a PUD Amendment-Thomaston PUD aka Hudson Farms PUD at Wallahatchie Road and Pike Road. Both were approved.

Jonathan Smith, Planning Director noted that he did not have much to report, but also noted that he has been very busy.

Brad Flowers, Town Engineer, reported to the council that has performed many construction inspections in the past month for both Penn Meadows and Boykin Lakes. Both projects should be finished soon.

Old Business

There were no items of old business.

New Business

The first item of new business was **Ordinance 2021-_____ Zoning Ordinance Amendment-PUD Amendment-Stone Park**. Kenneth White, representative of the project, asked to have this item pulled. There was no opposition to pulling the item from the agenda. The owner will come back with a new project design in a few months.

The next item of new business was **Ordinance 2021-0480-Annexation of 7 Mathews Road**.

Jonathan Smith, Planning Director, reviewed the annexation and that the owners lived out of town. Councilman Dunn made a motion to suspend with the rules. Councilman Myers seconded. The roll call vote was all yea, without a vote by Mayor Stone. Councilman Steindorff made a motion to adopt **Ordinance 2021-0480-Annexation of 7 Mathews Road**. Councilwoman Bradsher seconded. The vote was unanimous, without a vote by Mayor Stone. The ordinance was adopted. (**Ordinance 2021-0480**)

The last item of new business was **Ordinance 2021-0481-Annexation of 9069 Vaughn Road**.

Jonathan Smith, Planning Director, reviewed the annexation. The purchaser of the property, Ray Kyser, President of the new Brantley Bank in Pike Road pleaded with the council to address the annexation tonight so that they could move forward with their purchase of the property. Councilman Dunn made a motion to suspend with the rules. Councilwoman Bradsher seconded. The roll call vote was all yea, without a vote by Mayor Stone. Councilwoman Bradsher made a motion to adopt **Ordinance 2021-0480-Annexation of 7 Mathews Road**. Councilman Steindorff seconded. The vote was unanimous, without a vote by Mayor Stone. The ordinance was adopted. (**Ordinance 2021-0481**)

Other Business

Mayor Stone brought to the councils attention an ALDOT permit and bond that would be required to move forward with the traffic signal project at Woodland Creek and Bridle Brook Farms. Councilwoman Bradsher made a motion to approve the permit and bond and allow the mayor to sign the documents necessary to complete the project. Councilman Steindorff seconded. The vote was unanimous, without a vote by Mayor Stone. The project was approved.

Mayor Stone asked Doyle Fuller, legal counsel, to make a statement to the council. Fuller presented to the council the terms and conditions that were appropriate to ask for an Executive Session to discuss ongoing litigation and to update the councilmembers on the status. Fuller noted that this topic and circumstances meet all the requirements. Councilman Dunn made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:40PM. Councilman Steindorff seconded. Councilwoman Bradsher noted that she recused herself from the vote. A roll call vote was taken and was unanimous, without a vote by Bradsher. Mayor Stone noted that they would go into Executive Session and return at approximately 6:55PM. Council returned from Executive Session at 7:44PM.

Councilman Dunn made a motion to approve a **Resolution 2021-046-Approval of Settlement Agreement** to distribute \$290,000 from the Fire Protection Fund to the Pike Road VFD to settle the current litigation. Councilman Steindorff seconded. Councilwoman Bradsher recused herself from the vote. The vote was unanimous, without a vote by Mayor Stone or Councilwoman Bradsher. The resolution was approved. (**Resolution 046-2021**)

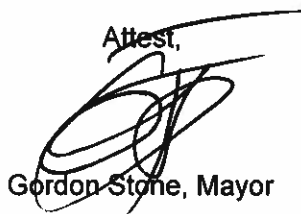
With no further business at hand, Councilwoman Bradsher made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 PM, seconded by Councilwoman Fuhrman. Unanimous consent was given. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa W. Burke, Clerk

Attest,



Gordon Stone, Mayor