

MINUTES

Pike Road Town Council Regular Meeting
Monday, January 11, 2021 6:00 p.m.
Zoom Meeting

Mayor Stone called the meeting to order at 6:06 PM. Councilman Steindorff opened the meeting in prayer. Mayor Stone led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Council members present by zoom 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 December 23, 2020 by teleconference. Councilman Dunn made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, Councilman Steindorff seconded. Unanimous consent was given. The minutes were accepted as presented.

Planning

Chairman of the Planning Commission, Councilman Dunn noted that the PC meeting had been postponed, but they do have several items so hope to host a meeting next month.

Jonathan Smith, Planning Director noted that due to the fact that he had 2 items on the agenda that had much interest and would bring a large crowd to the meeting, it was best to postpone the meeting until next month when we can make a plan to handle the crowd. There was discussion amongst the councilmembers about different projects and those that were of great interest.

Brad Flowers, Town Engineer, gave the Engineering report. He noted that the Abington project was in process, but the storm drainage has not been installed. Penn Meadows should be turning in a plat in the next month for approval. Flowers also noted that the paving project was partially complete with Laurelwood finished and Fox Chase starting this week. Councilwoman Bradsher asked if he had reached out to the resident that she had inquired about. Flowers noted that she had not sent him the contact info, but that he would be happy to reach out and had looked at the issue.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

The items of new business were 16 annexation ordinances held over from the December teleconference meeting. Jonathan Smith, Planning Director, noted that these were all annexations of normal process and that the 13 on Chaseway Drive had all become contiguous with the annexation of the Pinkston Estate property recently. Most of these properties do not have school

age children. The other 3 properties were also of normal process. Smith noted that since the council had approved his request for a consent agenda, this would be considered the first reading and would be brought up for action at the next meeting. Smith also noted that after review by the council, if any of the property owners needed to be in attendance for questions, he would ask them to attend. Councilwoman Bradsher noted that she would take a week to review, but that she did not feel that their attendance would be necessary. Councilman Steindorff also noted that if they were all contiguous, he felt there was no need for them to attend.

Other Business

Mayor Stone shared with the council that a work session had been requested for January 20th to interview potential law firms for the Town's legal appointment. There was some concern that Clerk Lisa Burke would be out on the date suggested. Mayor Stone asked Councilmember Myers to share with the council the background on requesting the work session. Myers shared that two firms had reached out to him after the swearing in ceremony inquiring about making a presentation to the council before an appointment was made. He thought it would be good to have the work session to learn more before voting. Councilmember Steindorff questioned the purpose in entertaining offers from other firms. There was further discussion and it was agreed that we would move forward with the work session as requested.

There was further discussion about re-scheduling the work session on budget and scheduling one for public safety. Councilmember Bradsher also requested a follow up work session with the school board. Mayor Stone noted that he was meeting with several school board members and Dr. Ledbetter later in the week and would have an update after that meeting.

Councilwoman Bradsher also asked about the property in Waugh that is housing large truck parking. There was much discussion and it was shared with the council that the property had sold so the use should be changing. Mayor Stone also noted that Jonathan Smith and Brad Flowers would be looking into the issue. Bradsher asked for an economic development update and Mayor Stone shared the recent interest.

With no further business at hand, Councilman Steindorff made a motion to adjourn at 7:02 PM, seconded by Councilwoman Bradsher. Unanimous consent was given. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa W. Burke, Clerk

Attest,



Gordon Stone, Mayor