

**PITTSBORO TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017 @ 7:00 PM**

QUORUM:

John Hart
Shelby Smith
William Majeske
Kimberly Carmean
Doug Joiner

Jim Buddenbaum, Attorney
Shari L. Ping, Clerk Treasurer
Chief Christi Patterson
Officer Nick Webber

OTHERS: Jason Love, Town Manager; Eric Wathen, RQAW; Bill Hueber, Police Commission Rep; Steve Maple, Building Comm; Bill Zeunik, Fire Chief; Jeff Porch, Parks & Rec Rep; Dustin Danai, 231 E. Wall Street

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE:

7:00 p.m. – President John Hart brought the Council meeting to order by establishing a quorum. All five (5) members are present. He asked the Council, staff and audience to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and to follow with a Moment of Silence.

WISHES TO SPEAK:

TOWN STAFF REPORTS:

POLICE CHIEF (see attached report)

Chief Christi Patterson went over the attached report. We are currently accepting applications for full time officers until January 15, 2018. Until the department is back up to full capacity the officers are having to work overtime, therefore she is requesting overtime pay be continued from the ESR account. Shelby Smith made a motion to continue the overtime, Bill Majeske seconded. All ayes, motion carries.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS:

ADVISORY PLAN COMMISSION:

Steve Maple reported that he has someone interested in doing an internship with the Town as an engineer. Polina Loeffler would work 10-20 hours a week and is unpaid.

Storm Water fees – How do we want to handle?

Building permits are up 40%

According to the ordinance, nuisance complaints have to be signed. But the Plan Commission has had a request for them not to be signed. Shelby Smith thinks if you have a complaint than you should sign the complaint, keep the ordinance the same.

Park Impact Fee-we need an agreement with the Township before the fees can be collected. Ask the attorney to write the MOU with Township. This could take six (6) months after we pass the ordinance before it becomes effective.

UDO-minor modification so Jason can build the water plant

December meeting has been cancelled.

The naming of the roads north of the interstate will be discussed at the January meeting. Several suggestions have been received and will be taken into consideration.

POLICE COMMISSION:

Bill Hueber reported that the January meeting will be on January 8, 2018.

Doug Joiner asked why he had to find out about the lawsuit by reading it in The Flyer. He was told that the Council was informed about the lawsuit at an Executive Session that he missed. The trial date is January 27, 2018.

TOWN MANAGER

Jason Love reported that the Parks Department was denied the tax levy of \$30,000. The MOU needs to be done now since it was voted to merge and the township has a representative on the Board. Representation w/o taxation

Landlords-Ordinance for them to sign stating they will be responsible when the tenants leave owing a bill. Jim Buddenbaum will work on that and bring to next month's meeting.

FIRE TERRITORY BOARD: (see attached report)

Bill Zeunik, Fire Chief, went over the attached report. Also held extrication training with Wayne Township, ordered AED and upgrading equipment. Our response to Lizton Fire Dept runs has been increasing in the last three (3) months and their response has decreased. In talks with the Lizton Trustee and the Middle Twp Trustee to dissolve the Pittsboro Middle Twp Fire Dept and form a new Fire Dept.

TOWN ATTORNEY:

Jim Buddenbaum reported Citizens Energy Group is in the process of doing a direct demand study for sale for resale customers to see which customers impose the most cost. This could cost \$3 million and this would be passed onto customers. The Town is against it. Written letter prior approval from IURC before the study.

Shelby Smith asked Jim Buddenbaum about the Jefferson Park complaint. Should be ready to file the lawsuit.

PARKS & RECREATION:

Jeff Porch gave an update on the year for the Parks – two (2) new ball diamonds went in at Scamahorn Park, soccer fields have been seeded, improvements to the Scout and Legion Buildings, Veterans Memorial should be installed in May with the help of the Young Marines, scheduling with the TWLL and Soccer has been taken over by the Park Board. Received a resignation letter from Sherrie Haas. Take resumes for a new member until January 10, 2018.

UTILITY BOARD: No meeting

CONTRACTED BUSINESS:

Eric Wathen, RQAW, gave the following report:

We advertised for statement of qualifications for the guaranteed savings contract for the water plant. Contractor submittals are due January 22nd, 2018.

We will be advertising for bids for the Community Crossing paving project at the end of January with bids due the end of February.

Design on the water plant is ongoing and on schedule.

I enquired with INDOT about parking on 136. The town just needs to decide hours for parking, pass an ordinance then submit the request to INDOT for signage.

NEW BUSINESS:

Board Appointments

Dustin Danai submitted his resume to be on the Police Commission. His is an Independent. Shelby Smith made a motion to appoint Dustin to the Police Commission, Bill Majeske seconded. All ayes, motion carries.

OLD BUSINESS:

Shari Ping presented the attached Appropriation Transfer Resolution 2017-09. John Hart made a motion to approve the appropriation transfer, Bill Majeske seconded. All ayes, motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

Salary Ordinance – Jim Buddenbaum will work on and present later

HSA Contribution will stay the same this year

UDO Ordinance – Steve Maple went over the definition of a trailer can mean any type. Bill Majeske made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-13 Amending the Unified Development Ordinance 2015-02, John Hart seconded. All ayes, motion carries.

Restaurant Tax – Food & beverage tax is for a specific reason (such as the Town Court \$35,000) and could take years to take effect. Eric Wathen is going to speak to Jeff Thompson about this.

Redevelopment Commission – Connie Bowman has agreed to be our School Board representative. Unless the Superintendent is allowed, then she will wave her seat to him – no. Will try to get together in January.

Storm Water fees will start billing according to the Ordinance with the January billing cycle.

COUNCIL COMMENT:

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE:

REVIEW & APPROVE NOVEMBER DRAFTS AND CLAIMS:

Due to some technical issues the drafts and claims will be presented at January's meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

President John Hart asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the November 21, 2017 and December 13, 2017 Town Council meetings. Doug Joiner made a motion to approve, Bill Majeske seconded. All ayes, motion carries.

The minutes were passed for Council signatures

ADJOURNMENT:

Doug Joiner made a motion to adjourn, John Hart seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carries.

Next Town Council meeting is January 16, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

Shari L. Ping
Clerk Treasurer