Town Board Meeting

May 18, 2021

The Town of Pink Hill Board meeting was held on May 18, 2021 in the town hall board room. Present for this meeting were Mayor Carol Sykes, Commissioner Mike Hill, Commissioner James Quinn, Commissioner Penny Murphy, Town Attorney George Jenkins, Police Chief Michael Hoffman, Town Clerk Crystal Heath, Public Works Supervisor Timmy Kennedy and Public Works Assistant Phillip Swinson.

Visitors present for the meeting were Pete Fantini and Jerry Boyette. Pink Hill Fire Department Chief Tony Heath was not present at the meeting.

Mayor Sykes said I would like to call this meeting to order and I welcome everyone to the May 18, 2021 meeting. I would like to ask everyone to please turn your cell phones off. Mayor Sykes asked Commissioner Hill to lead them in the pledge of allegiance. Everyone stood and said the pledge of allegiance. Mayor Sykes said I need the approval of the agenda and any amendments. Commissioner Hill said I make a motion to approve the agenda, any amendments, the consent agenda, and the minutes from the last meeting. Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. Mayor Sykes said any discussion, all in favor say "aye", motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Sykes said Pete if you will introduce yourself so we can at least know your name. I know you are here visiting, but please tell us a little bit more. Mr. Fantini said my name is Pete Fantini and I just moved to Pink Hill about three years ago. I live up the road on North Central Avenue and I am just interested in what is going on over here. Mayor Sykes welcomed him to the meeting.

Mayor Sykes asked for the fire report that was provided by Mr. Phillip Swinson. Mr. Swinson said calls since last meeting, which was April 13th, through today are two EMS assignments, two vehicle accidents, four fire alarms, one brush fire, three structural fires, and two service assignments for a total of fourteen calls. They also want me to tell you about the fire department being awarded a state 50/50 grant. So that will be an upcoming budget amendment needed within the next month or so. The total bill for that was $49,463.65 the fire department will be responsible for half of that. They have an ISO inspection still on the schedule for June 1st we need to keep our same rates. Commissioner Quinn said is that for the insurance? Mr. Swinson responded yes and Commissioner Quinn said I did not see that just wanted to know. Town Clerk Ms. Heath said that is why Tony (Chief Tony Heath) is not here because he is over there preparing for that. Mayor Sykes said that means a lot to us because it is certainly helpful for our insurance and means a lot to us.

Mayor Sykes asked for Chief Hoffman to provide the police report. Chief Hoffman said y'all have a list of all of our calls. One thing there is an increase was domestic disturbance as everyone is out; the public is going back to work. We were also audited and have successfully completed our audit and have passed so we can function. Other than that Pineview traffic has been picked up a little bit more, but we have also picked up in Pineview. Mayor Sykes said picked up what? Chief Hoffman said the traffic in Pineview. Mayor Sykes said what was all that was audited? Chief Hoffman said so DCI is the Department of Criminal Information Audit they audited our process, what we run, our networking. We had to actually physically create a network because we didn't have any information from the pass audits and I don't know why. We successfully drew our diagram, and they have accepted everything it looks compliant. Mayor Sykes and Commissioner Hill thanked Chief Hoffman.

Mayor Sykes asked Mr. Timmy Kennedy to provide the water report. Mr. Kennedy said we have a sewer plant inspection coming up June 2nd. As far as I know all the reporting and sampling is up to date and in like it is supposed to be. The planning is looking good and working properly. The repairs that I spoke about last meeting, that were the manhole and wet well at the sewer plant that was leaking at ground level we had those repaired over the last three weeks or so. The manhole at Leighton and Johnson that has been repaired. We found that the sewer lines for the main collapsed had a big hole on top of it, and that was what causing the problem, but it has been repaired. Mayor Sykes said the marks on the street, the green marks, are they going to pave those too? Mr. Kennedy said we were trying to get ahead of them because I just didn't want them to pave over and I didn't want them to get one of my valves and pave over them. Everything that is in the street we painted and located them because some of them are really close to the road. Commissioner Hill said that is a good thing to do. Mr. Kennedy said I was just trying to look out for them.

Mayor Sykes asked if the town attorney, George Jenkins, had anything to comment. Mr. Jenkins said the only thing I need to discuss in closed session is about closed sessions that is all I have for about ten minutes. Mayor Sykes said does anybody have any comments? Mayor Sykes said next Tuesday night we need to have a budget meeting and it is imperative we have one. Commissioner Hill said next Tuesday night what time? Mayor Sykes said around 7 or whatever. Ms. Heath said Connie said if it needs to be in daytime hours she will leave her office. Mayor Sykes said I think at night it would be better. Ms. Heath said I will send you all an email and remind you.

Mayor Sykes asked Mr. Jerry Boyette to come forward to speak. Mr. Boyette came to the meeting to discuss an ongoing investigation pertaining to an issue in Pink Hill.

Commissioner Hill made a motion for a closed session to discuss closed sessions at 7:43 pm. The board came back from a closed session at 7:49 p.m. Mayor Sykes asked if there was any discussion. The meeting was adjourned.

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Approved by Crystal Heath, Town Clerk