

**CITY OF PINE SPRINGS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 5, 2019**

PRESENT: Mayor Bastyr, Kardashian, Kinney, Feely, Jim Malkowski, Eric Meade and Vickie Keating, Administrator.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:30 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE MAY 7, 2019 MEETING

Mayor Bastyr requested the minutes include the wording as Karen presented them in the draft on motion 19-23. Kardashian moved to replace the existing paragraph with the one in the draft. Kinney seconded the motion and the minutes were approved. (19-24)

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Mayor Bastyr read through the bill list and moved to approve the bills. Feely seconded the motion and the motion passed. (19-25)

Kinney inquired about the assessment fees due to the county and asked for an explanation of the fees on this invoice. Mayor Bastyr suggested inviting the county assessors to a meeting to discuss the charges and assessments. Kinney will make some calls and report back to the Council in July on this issue.

ROAD REPORT

Feely explained the roads are done for this year except Pinehurst Court which will be taken care of in the late summer or fall. Next year the last of Pinehurst will be resurfaced unless there are some roads in worse condition after winter.

Dahl reminded the Council they discussed a subjective assessment on the roads at the last meeting. Feely explained that some of the roads that have been resurfaced are in good shape and he isn't sure which roads will be selected next year at this time. Pinehurst Road will be completed since it was broken up into four different repair times. The center section of Pinehurst was done and then it was broken up due to the cost factor. The worst roads are done first.

A question was raised if there was a loss of money since the road was not done all at one time. Feely explained that the City incorporated a discount due to the amount of work done.

Mayor Bastyr reminded the Council that according to the survey sent to the residents the majority of said residents are happy with the management of the streets in the City.

Dahl will meet with other contractors if Feely needs him to obtain cost comparisons.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

There were no accidents on the roundabout and 3 DUI's were reported in May.

RECYCLING AGREEMENT

After Mayor Bastyr read the recycling agreement with the County, he moved to approve the application for the grant. Dahl seconded the motion and the motion passed. (19-26)

BUILDING PERMIT

A building permit request was sent for Mr. Hruby at 7320 Pinehurst Road. Mayor Bastyr will contact the contractor and check with Kinney and Dahl if there are no variances required. This will then be acted upon at the July meeting.

VIKING DRIVE

Residents were present concerning the repairs on Viking Road. There are still potholes and cracks west of Henna Court. It is the old part of the road but there are three houses on this street.

Feely explained to redo this road would take the entire budget. The road was patched three or four weeks ago but the residents feel the patching was not done properly.

Feely explained that major projects considered require estimates and then a price is set for maintenance and pothole patching, overlays, etc. and that part of the road is in worse shape than many other roads. Schifsky's get paid the estimated price for the repairs in the City. There is one road in the City that has 26 homes on it requiring more work than Viking Road. The breakdown on the invoice was read to the residents by Mayor Bastyr. Mr. Hjorte asked Feely if he has looked at the road.

Mayor Bastyr asked Feely to look at the road and if Schifsky's did not do what Feely thinks is enough he will contact Schifsky's and have the work done.

Hilton Trail had a temporary patching and a one-inch overlay that should hold up for five years.

Dahl suggested installing a sign on Hilton Trail that says no passing on shoulder. Mayor Bastyr explained there are some bicycle signs on the shoulder to help keep the riders safe, however, this is a county issue.

Washington County is enforcing the fog line rule and tickets are being given when drivers do not observe the fog line which is the white line on the shoulder.

Dahl would like to see signage on this due to safety because it is illegal to pass on the shoulder. Dahl will contact the county if Feely can supply the information. Feely will contact the county and check on the signage.

Mayor Bastyr moved to check on the price of signs and posts stating no outlets, speed limit sign west of Rosco and report back to the Council in July. Kardashian seconded the motion and the motion passed. (19-26)

Another sign on Viking stating 30 miles an hour was requested. These signs are controlled by the state and they could be moved 20 to 30 yards west, but the highway department felt the signs were adequate. Feely has called the highway department but he feels the Mayor would be more effective.

ORDINANCES

After much discussion on updating the City ordinances it was decided that Susannah Torseth, the City lawyer will be invited to the August meeting to discuss the ordinance revision and associated cost.

MS4 APPLICATION

Mayor Bastyr and Dahl will work together to complete the report due on June 30 for the MS4. Feely has a list of the dates for the inspections that he will turn over to Mayor Bastyr and Dahl for this report.

DUMPING

There was mulch dumped on Pinehurst Road and it is unclear if this was unloaded for resident use or if it was just dumped in this area. Feely and Dahl will check on it and report back to the Council.

SAM HJORTE AND NEIGHBORS

2280 Viking has a yard that needs attention. The residence has renters living in this house and the neighbors thought it was zoned as single family residential. There is a separate living area in the basement which causes parking issues and other problems with the neighbors. Mayor Bastyr informed the residents that owner explains the extra people in the house as guests. The ordinances do not control guests the homeowners can have or when they can entertain.

The neighbors explained that there is a separate entrance, the house has two mailboxes and they have spoken to the renters. Mayor Bastyr discussed this with the building inspector in the past but there was nothing that could be physically seen to accommodate the renters.

Kardashian explained that the Council needs a violation of an ordinance before they can proceed.

Kardashian suggested some due diligence such as checking on mailboxes, entrances, waste containers and recycling containers along with some advice from the building inspector.

SUGGESTIONS FOR TIME USAGE

After much discussion about the length of the conversation by the residents and Council on the house at 2280 Viking, Kinney moved to allow 15 minutes at the beginning of the agenda for public comments. The chair will control the time limit, if there are any guests not on the agenda, that is when they will be allowed to speak. Kardashian seconded the motion and the motion passed 4-1. (19-27)

Mayor Bastyr would like to present new business before old business on the agenda. There was no motion made on this suggestion

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria R. Keating
Administrator

