

**ACTS OF COUNCIL
JANUARY 12, 2004**

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Pine Mountain sat in a regular session on the evening of January 12, 2004 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Hall.

Mayor Joe D Teel, Jr presided with Councilpersons W Mitchell Chason, Barbara Bell Ewell, Tamara M Pierce, James W Trott and Andrew J Kober in attendance.

OATH OF OFFICE

Mr James W Trott swore to the oath of office.

ACTS OF COUNCIL

Mr Kober made a motion that the Acts of Council for December be approved as written.

Ms Ewell seconded the motion.

Mr Trott, Mr Chason and Ms Pierce voted in favor of the motion.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mayor Teel presented the financial report for December.

PINE MOUNTAIN TOURISM

Ms Arnold presented the tourism report.

REORGANIZATION-MAYOR TEEL

Mayor Pro-Tem

Ms Ewell made a motion that Mr W Mitchell Chason remain Mayor Pro-Tem for 2004.

Mr Kober seconded the motion.

Mr Trott and Ms Pierce voted in favor of the motion.

Mr Chason abstained from voting.

Legal Organ

Mr Chason made a motion that the Harris County Journal serve as legal organ for 2004.

Ms Ewell seconded the motion.

Mr Trott, Ms Pierce and Mr Kober voted in favor of the motion.

Depositories

Mr Chason made a motion that Wachovia remain depository for the General Funds and First Peoples Bank remain depository for the Enterprise Fund.

Ms Ewell seconded the motion.

Mr Trott, Ms Pierce and Mr Kober voted in favor of the motion.

REZONING SCHEDULE

Ms Ewell made a motion to adopt the rezoning schedule

Mr Kober seconded the motion.

Mr Trott, Mr Chason and Ms Pierce voted in favor of the motion.

SIDEWALK ORDINANCE

Mr Kober made a motion to approve the sidewalk ordinance as written.

Mr Chason seconded the motion.

Mr Trott, Ms Pierce and Ms Ewell voted in favor of the motion.

PROPERTY TAXES/BUZZARDS-JACQUE RAMBO

Ms Rambo thanked Mayor Teel for having the buzzard problem(s) taken care of.

Ms Rambo came before the Mayor and Council with some concerns regarding her property tax bill. Mayor Teel advised her to contact the Harris County Tax Assessors office.

COMMUNITY ISSUES-MONICA BROWN

Drugs in Community

Ms Brown came before the Mayor and Council with concerns on drugs in the community. She asked if we could do something about this? She also asked how could we go about keeping the community safe?

Profiling

Ms Brown came before the Mayor and Council with concerns on the profiling of blacks. Mr Kober advised Ms Brown that he attends the Pine Mountain court sessions on a regular basis and he's seen no evidence of profiling.

Recreational Activities

Ms Brown asked if we have a Recreational Center in Pine Mountain for Senior citizens. Ms Pierce advised Ms Brown that we have the Harris County Senior Program in Hamilton. This program has a bus to carry Pine Mountain Senior Citizens to the facility. Mr Kober also advised Ms Brown of the Big Brothers/Big Sisters Program.

No action was taken on Ms Brown's questions concerning the drugs in the community.

BALLFIELD-ROBERT McGEE

Mr McGee announced that basketball games would be held here at the A.D. Davis Memorial Gymnasium on Friday night at 6:30 and 7:30.

Mr McGee presented to the Mayor and Council some concerns in regard to the condition of the softball field off of Butts Mill Road.

Mr McGee was advised to get with Betsy Chapman and put together a bid sheet and advertise it to have some work done at the ballfield.

POLICY MANUAL-CHIEF DAVID WHITE

Mr Chason made a motion to approve the policy manual for the police department.

Ms Ewell seconded the motion.

Mr Kober, Mr Trott and Ms Pierce voted in favor of the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms Pierce made a motion that the meeting be adjourned.

Ms Ewell seconded the motion.

Mr Kober, Mr Chason and Mr Trott voted in favor of the motion.

Betsy Chapman
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Barbara Bell Ewell, Barbara Bell Ewell

Tamara M Pierce, Tamara M Pierce

W. Mitchell Chason, W Mitchell Chason

_____, James W Trott

Andrew J Kober, Andrew J Kober