ACTS OF COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 13, 2007
7:00 P.M.

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Pine Mountain sat in a regular session on the evening of November 13, 2007 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Hall.

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

ACTS OF COUNCIL
Ms Pierce made a motion to approve the Acts of Council as written for the October meeting(s).
Mr Kober seconded the motion.
Ms Ewell, Mr Trott and Mr Teasley voted in favor of the motion.

FINANCIAL REPORT
Mayor Teel presented the financial report for October.

PINE MOUNTAIN TOURISM
Pine Mountain Tourism Director Hank Arnold reported that the Pine Mountain Motorcar Excursion will be held on November 17, 2007. The train has reversed the direction from its original route from Pine Mountain, it will go north to allie and return to Pine Mountain where it will discharge any person that would like to detrain.
Ms Arnold requested that Broad Street and North Commerce Avenue be closed at 7:00 A.M. and reopened at 8:30 A.M. She also advised that she has notified Mr Smoot that no one will be allowed to park in the IGA parking lot.
Ms Pierce made a motion to approve the closing of Broad and Commerce.
Mr Teasley seconded the motion.
Ms Ewell, Mr Trott and Mr Kober voted in favor of the motion.

Ms Arnold thanked Mr Trott for attending the workshop held in Warm Springs. The workshop is designed to help communities to protect and enhance cultural, historic and natural tourism assets. This is the key to creating vital, pedestrian friendly places like our downtown area to attract visitors and will help us to develop a "master plan" for the growth and protection of Pine Mountain. Ms Arnold suggested that Pine Mountain develop a master plan.

RESOLUTION FOR TWO (2) SIGNATURES ON ACCOUNTS
Mayor Teel requested approval of a resolution to add Tamara M Pierce and Mayor Joe D Teel, Jr, to allow them authorization to sign checks on the bank accounts. The resolution would require two signatures be on checks.
Mr Kober made a motion to approve the resolution.
Mr Teasley seconded the motion.
Ms Ewell, Ms Pierce and Mr Trott voted in favor of the motion.

SANITARY SEWER PROJECT IMPROVEMENT (CDBG)-AWARD BID

The Town of Pine Mountain has planned a project for sanitary sewer system improvements. The project consists of, but is not limited to the following major elements: Construction of approximately 2,950 L.F. of 12" diameter gravity sanitary sewer lines, 2,290 L.F. of 8" diameter gravity sanitary sewer lines, 2,020 L.F. of 8" gravity sanitary sewer cured-in-place pipe rehabilitation, manholes, service lines, house service connections and appurtenances, along with traffic control and erosion sedimentation and pollution control installation and maintenance through the duration of the project.

As a result of the review of the bids, the references, and other documentation, it appears that the lowest and best bid is Ronny D. Jones Enterprises, Inc. of Newnan, Georgia, in the amount of $543,925.00.

Mr Kober made a motion to approve the bid received from Ronny D. Jones Enterprises, Inc. and authorize Mayor Teel to sign all documents necessary for the implementation of the proposed project.

Mr Teasley seconded the motion.

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

UPDATE ON STATUS OF TRIPLE CREEK

Ms Leigh Ann Green updated the Mayor and Council on the work that is being done at Triple Creek.

Mr David Denman stated that 31 lots have been completed and they hope to receive final plat approval from the Harris County Planning Commission on November 21, 2007.

EPD has approved the well treatment system.

Update on lift station located on Sullivan Circle is underway and hope to have completed by January 15th, 2008.

Mr Jeff Cain with Sticks and Stones announced that he is ready to sell lots once the final plat is approved. In December they will have a luncheon with Real Estate Agents of Harris County.

Mr Cain requested that the minimum lot size be reduced from 3,000 sq. ft. to 2,500 sq. ft.

Everyone was okay with the change.

USE OF GYM FOR BASKETBALL SEASON

Mr Robert McGee requested permission to use the Gym for the Football Banquet which will be held on November 17, 2007.

Mr McGee also requested permission to use the Gym to have Basketball practice on M,T,T, and F from 5:30-8:00 starting Monday (November 19th).

Mayor Teel advised Mr McGee of the concern with the construction area. KEEP the children away from the construction area.
Mr Kober made a motion that the Youth Sports Association be allowed the use of the gym with the entrance being the side door until construction is complete.
Ms Ewell seconded the motion.
Mr Trott, Mr Teasley and Ms Pierce voted in favor of the motion.

Mr Robert McGee requested the use of the softball field to hold the men and women softball league which will begin April of 2008.
Mr Kober made a motion to approve the request.
Mr Trott seconded the motion.
Ms Ewell, Ms Pierce and Mr Teasley voted in favor of the motion.

NUISANCE DOGS/STOP SIGNS ON GARDENSVIEW DRIVE
Mrs Pat Mills announced some concerns regarding the new stop signs located on Gardensview Drive. Mr Trott advised the stop signs were placed there to help with the speeding problem in that area, and to allow people the ability to get off of Highway 27.
Mrs Pat Mills also announced concerns regarding dogs. The Mayor advised her to contact the County's animal control regarding the problems.

UPDATE ON "LIGHT UP PINE MOUNTAIN
Mr Hale was not in attendance, however, he wrote the Mayor and Council a letter with updates on three Chamber sponsored activities.
1) The Light Up Pine Mountain will be held November 16th at 6:30 P.M.
2) Pine Mountain Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, December 1st at 2:00 P.M.
3) In conjunction with the Parade; the Chamber will host a BBQ sale December 1st from 11:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M.
Mr Hale requested that the Location be the sidewalk in front of closed "McGuire's Grill.
Mr Kober made a motion to approve the request from Mr Hale.
Mr Teasley seconded the motion.
Mr Trott, Ms Ewell and Ms Pierce voted in favor of the motion.

GYM MEMORIAL PLAQUE/PLACING OF PLAQUES UNDER WINDOWS
Ms Ann Mullins stated some concerns regarding the plaque at the Gym. When they purchased the windows they were told a plaque would be located under the window with the name of the person or persons who donated the window. Also, there was a concern regarding the window for Miss Ruth Swint.

Ms Mullins stated that a plaque was supposed to be under the ticket window for Miss Ruth Swint.
Mr Champion explained that with the plaques being under the windows they did not feel that you would able to see them without having to go up the bleachers. Also, a concern was who would want a plaque in the restroom showing a donation?
Mayor Teel advised Ms Mullins to get together what needs attention and get with him and or talk with Mr Champion to get this problem resolved.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TOWN AND HARRIS COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Mr Edward Callaway, CEO of Callaway Gardens, asked the Town of Pine Mountain to enter into an intergovernmental contract with the Harris County Development Authority to assist in the implementation of the bond financing contemplated with the increase in the Hotel-Motel Tax. Under the contract, all of the Hotel-Motel Tax collections will be sent from the Town of Pine Mountain to the "Bond Trustee". The trustee for the bonds will be Wells Fargo Bank.
Each quarter, the Bond Trustee will apply the tax revenues as follows:
1) debt service on the bonds
2) debt service reserve fund
3) to the Town of Pine Mountain the amounts owed to Pine Mountain as set forth in the MOU
4) to the Pine Mountain Tourism Association the amounts owed to the Tourism Association as set forth in the MOU
5) to a Town and Association Reserve Fund ($125,000) to pay any shortfalls owed to the Town or Tourism Association
6) Callaway Gardens

The intergovernmental contract also included a resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Pine Mountain, Georgia to authorize an intergovernmental agreement with the Development Authority of Harris County relating to the financing or refinancing of all or part of the cost incurred in the development and improvements of the project. To approve the participation of the Town of Pine Mountain in validation of certain bonds.

Mr Teasley made a motion to approve the intergovernmental agreement and the resolution requested to approved by Callaway Gardens.
Mr Kober seconded the motion.
Ms Ewell, Ms Pierce and Mr Trott voted in favor of the motion.

RAMP AT THE METHODIST CHURCH
Ms Ewell stated that members of the Methodist Church has requested a ramp. Ms Ewell asked that Betsy contact Melcena Johnson and follow up on this request.
No action was taken, however, Mayor Teel advised Brent Bullington to go ahead and place the ramp at whatever location they are requesting one.

WATER/SEWER-TAP FEE RATES-1st READING
Mayor Teel presented the first reading for the water/sewer-tap fee rates.

Thereafter, the meeting was adjourned.

Betsy Sivell
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Town Clerk

Barbara Bell Ewell, Barbara Bell Ewell

Jimmy Teasley, Jerry M Teasley

Tamara Pierce, Tamara M Pierce

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