

**ACTS OF COUNCIL
OCTOBER 12, 2015
7:00 P.M.**

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Pine Mountain sat in a regular session on the evening of Monday, October 12, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Hall.

Mayor James W. Trott, Jr. presided with Councilpersons Tamara M. Pierce, Keith Pendergrass, Josephine Bray and Warren S. Aldrich in attendance. Jerry M. Teasley was not in attendance.

ACTS OF COUNCIL

Ms. Pierce made a motion that the Acts of Council for the September meeting be approved as written.

Mr. Pendergrass seconded the motion.

Mr. Aldrich voted in favor of the motion.

Mrs. Bray was not in attendance for the meeting, therefore, she did not vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mayor Trott presented the financial report for September.

PINE MOUNTAIN TOURISM-Hank Arnold

Ms. Arnold presented the tracking report for September.

On Wednesday, October 28, 2015, Pine Mountain Tourism and Harris County Chamber of Commerce will host a workshop at Callaway Gardens. Customer Experience/Hospitality Workshop-Designed for both Management and Front-Line Staff will be held in the Dogwood Ballroom at Mountain Creek Inn.

RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION-Lt. Ferrone

Detective Chris Nance has been with the Pine Mountain Police Department since October 5, 2009. Detective Nance has recently been appointed as the head of Investigations Unit.

Detective Nance has been very successful in prosecuting cases, executing search warrants and seizing property involving drug crimes. He has established a very close working relationship with the county District Attorney Office. Detective Nance is a true team player and has earned tremendous respect from all Officers at the Police Department and has taken a more proactive approach when assisting business owners, store managers and residents after being victim of crimes. Thank you Detective Nance.

K-9 Officer Brad Harrell has been with the Pine Mountain Police Department full time since March 17, 2015. K9 Officer Harrell has been assigned full time K9 duties and certified with K9 Officer Nero. K9 Nero is certified in narcotics, tracking and criminal apprehension has already been successful in alerting to the odor of narcotics which has resulted in numerous arrests. K9 Officer Harrell has played a tremendous role in the success of daily field operations at the Police Department and is highly respected by both Lt. Ferrone and Chief Bramell for his decision making and leadership qualities. Thank you K-9 Officer Harrell.

GCIC/TAC Officer Melissa Moultrie has been with the Pine Mountain Police Department full time since January 6, 2015. Officer Moultrie has provided the Pine Mountain Police Department with a certification with the Georgia Crime Information Center (GCIC). Pine Mountain now is a terminal agency and has the capabilities to run driver and criminal histories that are constantly needed for the prosecution of cases. Ms. Moultrie is assisting Detective Nance with paperwork that is required by the District Attorney's Office for every case that involves searches and seizures. Ms. Moultrie has worked extremely hard and no matter what task is assigned to her, she keeps a positive attitude that tends to motivate others. Thank you Officer Moultrie.

OPEN SEIZURE BANK ACCOUNT-Mayor Trott

Mrs. Bray made a motion to open 2 (two) checking accounts for seizure money awarded to the Town by Superior Court.

Mr. Aldrich seconded the motion.

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

LIGHT UP PINE MOUNTAIN-Anthony McKee

Mr. McKee requested Broad Street be closed on November 20, 2015 for Light Up Pine Mountain that starts at 6:00 P.M.

Ms. Pierce made a motion to approve the request.

Mrs. Bray seconded the motion.

Mr. Pendergrass and Mr. Aldrich voted in favor of the motion.

CHRISTMAS PARADE (December 5th)-Anthony McKee

The Pine Mountain Christmas Parade will be held on December 5th at 2:00 P.M. See attached for parade route.

Mr. McKee requested permission to block approximately 3 parking spaces located across from Wells Fargo Bank near the old railroad track for food vendors.

Mr. Pendergrass made a motion to approve the request.

Ms. Pierce seconded the motion.

Mr. Aldrich and Mrs. Bray voted in favor of the motion.

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM (STREET CLOSING)-Malinda Brooks

Use of Gym in case of rain

1. Ms. Brooks requested portion of McDougald Avenue North in front of Post Office and City Hall be blocked off.
2. Permission to use City Gymnasium in case of bad weather.
3. City Hall to be open
4. Use of City Hall chairs

Mrs. Bray made a motion to approve the above requests.
Ms. Pierce seconded the motion.
Mr. Pendergrass and Mr. Aldrich voted in favor of the motion.

5K RUN (HUMANE SOCIETY)-Lorriane Berry

Mrs. Berry requested permission to use City streets for the Jingle Bell 5K "9" Fun Run which will be held on December 5, 2015 starting at 10:00 A.M. See attached for the route.

Mr. Pendergrass made a motion to approve the request.
Mr. Aldrich seconded the motion.
Ms. Pierce and Mrs. Bray voted in favor of the motion.

VARIANCE ON SETBACK FOR WALK-IN COOLER AT OYSTER HOUSE-Mayor Trott

Per the Harris County Community Development Office Peter Brochu had installed a walk-in cooler directly behind the Oyster Bar at 110 South Main Avenue. Mr. Miley (Harris County Building Inspector) noticed the walk-in cooler and verified that it currently sits within the required setbacks. The rear setback for that property calls for a 20' setback and the walk-in cooler is located 9' from the property line and is behind the building. After further investigation of the site the Building Inspector feels that the location of the walk-in cooler is the best viable solution and that a variance be granted to Mr. Brochu for the walk-in cooler.

Mrs. Bray made a motion to approve the variance.
Mr. Pendergrass seconded the motion.
Ms. Pierce and Mr. Aldrich voted in favor of the motion.

RESOLUTION-HARRIS COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE 2015-2020-Mayor Trott

The Federal Emergency Management Agency has required that every county and municipality have a pre-disaster mitigation plan in place, and requires the adoption of such plans in order to receive funding from the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

Ms. Pierce made motion to approve the resolution.
Mrs. Bray seconded the motion.
Mr. Pendergrass and Mr. Aldrich voted in favor of the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Bray made a motion the meeting be adjourned.
Ms. Pierce seconded the motion.
Mr. Pendergrass and Mr. Aldrich voted in favor of the motion.

Betsy Sivell

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Town Clerk

Keith Pendergrass, Keith Pendergrass

Josephine Bray, Josephine Bray

Tamara M. Pierce, Tamara M. Pierce

Warren S. Aldrich, Warren S. Aldrich

not in attendance, Jerry M. Teasley