

**ACTS OF COUNCIL
JANUARY 8, 2024
7:00 P.M.**

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Pine Mountain sat in a regular session on the evening of Monday, January 8, 2024, at seven o'clock in the Town Hall.

OATH OF OFFICE

Judge John Gilson administered the Oath of Office for Mr. Thomas E. Scott, Mr. Curtis Bray, and Mr. James W. Trott, Jr.

Mayor Keith Pendergrass presided with Councilpersons Curtis Bray, John W. Hiers, Jr., Thomas E. Scott, Christopher B. Boyer, and James W. Trott, Jr. in attendance.

PRAYER

Rev. Andy Cunningham opened the meeting with prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

ACTS OF COUNCIL

Mr. Hiers made a motion to approve the Acts of Council for the December meeting(s) as written.
Mr. Boyer seconded the motion.
Mr. Bray, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Trott voted in favor of the motion.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mayor Pendergrass presented the financial report for December.

PINE MOUNTAIN TOURISM-Julia Keating

Ms. Keating presented the report for December.

REORGANIZATION-Mayor Pendergrass

Mayor Pro-Tem

Mr. Boyer made a motion to appoint Thomas Scott as Mayor Pro-Tem for 2024.
Mr. Trott seconded the motion.
Mr. Bray, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Hiers voted in favor of the motion.

Design Review Committee

Mr. Hiers made a motion to appoint the following to the Design Review Committee:

Eric McKibben January 2024-expire December 31, 2026

Sally Sharpless January 2024-expire December 31, 2027

Margaret Zachry January 2024-expire December 31, 2028

Tammy Pierce January 2024-expire December 31, 2029

Mr. Scott seconded the motion.

Mr. Bray, Mr. Boyer, and Mr. Trott voted in favor of the motion.

Pine Mountain Tourism Board

Mr. Scott made a motion to appoint John W. Hiers, Jr. to the Pine Mountain Tourism Board.

Mr. Trott seconded the motion.

Mr. Bray, Mr. Hiers, and Mr. Boyer voted in favor of the motion.

Public Health Board

Mr. Hiers made a motion to appoint Gwen Ruhlman to the Public Health Board.

Mr. Trott seconded the motion.

Mr. Bray, Mr. Boyer, and Mr. Scott voted in favor of the motion.

Legal Organ

Mr. Trott made a motion that the Harris County Journal serve as legal organ for 2024.

Mr. Scott seconded the motion.

Mr. Hiers, Mr. Bray, and Mr. Boyer voted in favor of the motion.

Depository

Mr. Hiers made a motion that First Peoples Bank remain the depository for the Town Accounts.

Mr. Trott seconded the motion.

Mr. Bray, Mr. Boyer, and Mr. Scott voted in favor of the motion.

Revitalize Pine Mountain Committee

Mr. Hiers made a motion to appoint the following to the Revitalize Pine Mountain Committee:

Curtis Bray, Josephine Bray, Jim Trott, Mayor Pendergrass, Tony Lattimor, Chance Carlisle, Betsy Sivell, and Mary Ruth Mullins.

Mr. Boyer seconded the motion.

Mr. Bray, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Trott voted in favor of the motion.

**RETAIL ON-PREMISES DISTILLED SPIRITS APPLICATION (PINE MOUNTAIN BEER & WINE, LLC)
(PURE CHIPLEY)(DIANE HUMPHREY)-2ND READING**

Mayor Pendergrass presented the second reading for a retail on-premises distilled spirits application for Pine Mountain Beer & Wine, LLC (Pure Chipley) in the name of Diane Humphrey. Mr. Thomas made a motion to approve the application.

Mr. Hiers seconded the motion.

Mr. Bray, Mr. Boyer, and Mr. Trott voted in favor of the motion.

**RETAIL OFF-PREMISES MALT BEVERAGE AND WINE APPLICATION (CIRCLE K STORES, INC.)
(CIRCLE K #270670)(ASHLEY SMITH)-2ND READING**

Mayor Pendergrass presented the second reading for a retail off-premises malt beverage and wine application for Circle K Stores, LLC (Circle K #270670) in the name of Ashley Smith.

Mr. Hiers made a motion to approve the application.

Mr. Trott seconded the motion.

Mr. Boyer, Mr. Bray, and Mr. Scott voted in favor of the motion.

**RETAIL ON-PREMISES MALT AND WINE APPLICATION (BULL'S HIBACHI PINE MOUNTAIN)
(PATRICIA PAYNE)-1ST READING**

Ms. Payne withdrew the application on 1/4/2024.

MAINTENANCE PROGRAM FOR LIFT STATIONS (PRO PUMP SOLUTIONS, LLC)

The Mayor and Council, while in the work session, discussed having a preventive maintenance program for the lift stations.

Mr. Scott made a motion to table this until the February meeting.

Mr. Hiers seconded the motion.

Mr. Trott, Mr. Bray, and Mr. Boyer voted in favor of the motion.

VC3 AGREEMENT

Per request from Mayor Pendergrass, Sgt. Nance contacted VC3 to discuss updating the Town's current website. Currently the Town provides information to VC3 which they upload to the website. The Town would like to be able to upload information and make changes to the website when needed without going through VC3. The current agreement the Town has with VC3 costs \$910.00 a month and the proposed new amount would be \$917.96.

Mr. Trott made a motion to approve the new agreement with VC3 at \$917.96.

Mr. Boyer seconded the motion.

Mr. Bray, Mr. Hiers, and Mr. Scott voted in favor of the motion.

STREET CLOSURE FOR TASTE OF PINE MOUNTAIN-FEBRUARY 16TH

Mrs. Boyer with Harris County Chamber of Commerce requested permission to close Broad Street and Commerce Avenue on February 16th from 4:00 P.M. until 9:30 P.M. for Taste of Pine Mountain.

Mr. Hiers made a motion to approve the request to close the street.

Mr. Trott seconded the motion.

Mr. Boyer, Mr. Bray, and Mr. Scott voted in favor of the motion.

AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN CHECKING ACCOUNT AT FIRST PEOPLES BANK FOR GEFA LOAN NO. DWLSL2022203

The Town was awarded \$30,400 from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for the lead and copper project.

Mr. Trott made a motion authorizing Betsy Sivell to open the above checking account.

Mr. Hiers seconded the motion.

Mr. Bray, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Boyer voted in favor of the motion.

REMOVE JOSEPHINE BRAY FROM CHECKING ACCOUNTS AND ADD MAYOR PRO-TEM (THOMAS SCOTT)

Mr. Hiers made a motion to remove Josephine Bray from the checking accounts and add Thomas E. Scott.

Mr. Boyer seconded the motion.

Mr. Scott, Mr. Bray, and Mr. Trott voted in favor of the motion.

REVEAL MINISTRIES USE OF TRAINING ROOM AND POLICE DEPARTMENT

Pastor Tony Lattimor requested that this request be withdrawn.

Reception to follow the Council meeting for new council members.


Thereafter, the meeting was adjourned.



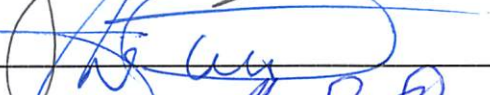
Betsy Sivell

Town Clerk


_____, Thomas E. Scott


_____, Curtis Bray


_____, John W. Hiers, Jr.


_____, James W. Trott, Jr.


_____, Christopher B. Boyer