## **Town of Pine Level**

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# MINUTES WORK SESSION OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL APRIL 4, 2024, 5:45 p.m.

The Town of Pine Level held a Mayor and Council Work Session on Thursday, April 4, 2024, in a meeting room of Spirit Walk Ministries.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLIGANCE

INVOCATION Councilmember Bixler gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Bigley called the meeting to order.

<u>ROLL CALL</u> Mayor Bigley called roll. Present were Councilmembers Bixler, Gray, Hickman and Moore. Also, present was Town Clerk Theresa L. Cook, Town Attorneys Nancy Kirby and Nikki Ivey.

In the opening remarks, Mayor Bigley shared the Councilmember Worcester was absent due to the passing of his mother.

#### **DISCUSSIONS WERE AS FOLLOWS:**

#### 1. TAX ORDINANCES

Mayor Bigley gave an overview of amendments needed for Ordinances 2024-2, 2024-3, 2024-4 and 2024-6. He shared the amendments are due to the mandatory sixty-day notification to the Alabama Department pf Revenue. Attorney Kirby shared a legal view of the circumstance and advised to exclude the grocery tax wording suggested by the Alabama Department of Revenue. Town Clerk Cook provided an update to the Motor Fuels Tax and all required documents have been submitted to that division. Mayor Bigley shared information from an event with our local legislators and there may be future discussions with them on the grocery tax aspect of the Town. There was a discussion among the Council of the public opinion and reaction to imposing a grocery tax. Attorney Kirby updated the Council on Ordinance 2024-4. There should be a response to the request of the Attorney General's Opinion by May 20, 2024. Attorney Kirby suggested that the Council hold a Special Called Meeting to address the above ordinances. The meeting was set for April 9, 2024, 5:45 p.m., at Spirit Walk Ministries.

# 2. <u>MEETING WITH CENTRAL ALABAMA REGIONAL PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION</u>

Mayor Bigley and Town Clerk Cook provided information received on grants from a meeting with CARPDC.

#### 3. TOWN ROADWAYS

The Council discussed the future maintenance of the roadways in the Town of Pine Level. It was suggested to discuss with the County a written agreement including the areas that need maintenance in the next two years.

#### 4. GENERAL DISCUSSIONS

Imposing a Town Business License Ordinance

Fiscal Year

Potential Annexations (CAEC, ACBOE, mobile home park)

Town Logo

Zoning

Alcohol Tax Ordinance

### 5. MEETING WITH THE PRATTVILLE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Mayor Bigley and Town Clerk Cook shared the information received in a meeting with the Prattville Area Chamber of Commerce and the benefits of being a member.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> There being no further business, there was a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded passed unanimously by those present.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa L. Cook Town Clerk

APPROVED:

Zachary Bigley

Mayor