



COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday January 10, 2023

6:00pm

West Pelzer Municipal Center
30 Main Street

- I. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- II. CALL TO ORDER
- III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES
 - a) December 13, 2022 Council Meeting
- IV. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS
 - a) Paula Payton - Clerk's Report
 - b) Chief Stoller - Police Department Report
 - c) Swearing In of Judge Stephen Turner
- V. CITIZEN COMMENTS (sign up required / max 3 minutes)
- VI. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) Second Reading of Ordinance 2022-1213 "AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE APPROXIMATELY 5 ACRES OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED NEAREST 501 WOODCOCK ROAD AND 190 MILL STREET, WEST PELZER, SOUTH CAROLINA 29669 (TAX MAP NUMBERS 2431301023, 2431301024, 2431301005, 2431301004, 2431301003, 2431301002, 2431301001, 2431302002, 2431302001) TO R-6 HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL / MULTI-FAMILY"
- VII. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) Discussion to Repeal Town Code 18.202 "Manner of Driving a Motor Vehicle, Points
 - b) Resolution 2023-0110 "A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT 2023 P.A.R.D. GRANT FUNDING"
 - c) Resolution 2023-0110.1 "APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION COMMITTEE MEMBER"
- VIII. REQUEST BY COUNCIL
- IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION
- X. ADJOURNMENT

**** A reception will follow for Judge Turner****



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday January 10, 2023

6:00pm

West Pelzer Municipal Center
30 Main Street

Those present: Mayor Blake Sanders, Council Members Jim Riddle, and Jeff Lec; Town Attorney Carey Murphy, Town Clerk Paula Payton and Chief Scott Stoller.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor Sanders

CALL TO ORDER – 6:03pm Mayor Sanders

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES *December 13, 2022 Council Meeting*
Councilman Lee made a motion to approve, 2nd by Councilman Riddle; all were in favor.

PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

Paula Payton - Clerk's Report – see attached

Chief Stoller – Police Department Report – see attached

Swearing In of Judge Stephen Turner

CITIZEN COMMENTS (sign up required / max 3 minutes)

Joyce Vanhook – stated that her husband was upset with the new utility payment system and the convenience fee that is charged; Payton responded that this was part of the upgrade and all fees are retained by nexbillpay and not the Town. Customers can continue to pay by check or cash at the office, via mail or the drop box to avoid the fee. Joyce Vanhook – stated that she was concerned with the amount of delivery truck traffic on Park Street; stated that the trucks are taking the secondary roads to avoid traffic congestion on Main Street. Mayor Sanders asked Chief Stoller to look into it.

OLD BUSINESS

Second Reading of Ordinance 2022-1213 “AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE APPROXIMATELY 5 ACRES OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED NEAREST 501 WOODCOCK ROAD AND 190 MILL STREET, WEST PELZER, SOUTH CAROLINA 29669 (TAX MAP NUMBERS 2431301023, 2431301024, 2431301005, 2431301004, 2431301003, 2431301002, 2431301001, 2431302002, 2431302001) TO R-6 HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL / MULTI-FAMILY”

Clerk's Comments: Property was posted prior to the scheduled planning commission meeting;

No formal vote was taken by the planning commission due to a lack of a quorum; General consensus of the group was to recommend council approval; Current zoning is R-20; Requested zoning is R-6 High Density Residential Multi-family; First reading was passed by Council at the December 13, 2022, meeting.

Councilman Lee made a motion to approve, 2nd by Councilman Riddle; all were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion to Repeal Town Code 18.202 “Manner of Driving a Motor Vehicle, Points

Clerk's Comments: This item was added to the agenda at the request of the majority of Council; Mayor Sanders asked Judge Turner to advise; Judge Turner stated that Code 18.202 was a procedural matter. Councilman Lee stated that the Council's concern was the speed on Main Street and pedestrian safety. Mayor Sanders added that it was his understanding that this had been taken care of and Council does not need any additional input; Judge Turner agreed.

Resolution 2023-0110 "A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT 2023 P.A.R.D. GRANT FUNDING"

Clerk's Comments: Anderson County Legislative Delegation has endorsed a PARD grant award in the amount of \$20,000 for a project for the expansion of Chapman Park; The delegation requires a commitment (in the form of a Resolution) prior to the official award of PARD funds.

Councilman Riddle made a motion to approve, 2nd by Councilman Lee; all were in favor.

Resolution 2023-0110.1 "APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION COMMITTEE MEMBER"

Clerk's Comments: All general and special elections must be conducted by a Municipal Election Commission; Commission is composed of 3 electors who are residents of the Town; Currently we only have 2 active members. The resolution is to appoint Debra Scroggs.

Councilman Lee made a motion to approve, 2nd by Councilman Riddle; all were in favor.

Payton added that there would be a special election on March 28, 2023 to fill the vacant Council seat; filing will open on January 20, 2023 at 12pm and close on January 30, 2023 at 12pm.

REQUEST BY COUNCIL

Mayor Sanders - None

Councilman Riddle - None

Councilman Lee - None

EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:28pm Councilman Riddle made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Mayor Sanders; all were in favor.

*** A reception will follow for Judge Turner***

Minutes prepared by:

Paula H. Payton, MMC, ABL

Town Clerk



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To: Mayor Sanders and Council

From: Paula H. Payton, MMC, ABL

Subject: Clerk's Report

Date: January 10, 2023

The following are updates and information related to activities in the Town of West Pelzer and/or upcoming events. Please contact me with any questions that you may have related to these items. ppayton@westpelzer.com or 864-947-6297 ext. 101

Administration

- The next Quarterly Department Meeting will be scheduled for January 12, 2023
 - A meeting summary will be provided to Council via email
- TextMyGov
 - Connect to citizens via text
 - Report issues & find information
 - Opt to receive alerts for **General Information, Emergency, Events**
- 2023 Elections
 - Special Election for vacant Council seat 3/28/2023
 - Filing opens 1/20/23 at 8am
 - Filing closes 1/30/23 at 12pm
 - General Election for Mayor & 2 Council seats 11/7/2023
 - Filing opens 8/9/2023 at 12pm
 - Filing closes 8/23/2023 at 12pm

Public Works

- 8 work orders were completed in the month of December 2022.
 - Work Orders can be submitted online (www.westpelzer.com) or by calling Town Hall
- 2021 CCR Water Quality Report is available at www.westpelzer.com
- Reminder - Sanitation will run as usual, unless notification is received, even on holidays

- Waste Industries dba GFL will pick up only GFL cans starting April 1, 2022
 - Citizens can contact GFL directly to add an additional can for a discounted rate of \$5 per month
- ReWa Update
 - Rate Increase (effective for February 2023 billing)
 - Current Base \$12.38 ~ Increase \$12.75
 - Current Usage \$6.27/1,000 ~ Increase \$6.56/1,000
 - ReWa Charges
 - ReWa Collection (formerly SEWER)
 - ReWa Trunk & Treatment (formerly REWA)
 - Utility Billing
 - Paperless Billing
 - Auto Draft
 - Customer Login Options

Municipal Court

Monies disbursed for December 2022

- General Fund ~ \$132.54
- Victim's Fund (Anderson County) ~ \$40.90
- State Assessment ~ \$301.56

Finance

- December 2022 Budget
 - General Fund Income \$87,348.27 ~ Expense \$63,363.58
 - Water/Sewer Income \$65,379.99 ~ Expense \$77,687.11
 - Hospitality Tax Income \$2,864.38 ~ Expense \$4,206.31
- Over Budget Items (YTD)
 - 03-7195-000 SCDHEC Fees
 - 03-7411-000 Vehicle/Equipment Repairs & Maintenance
 - 01-7220-100 Dues & Subscriptions



To: Mayor Sanders and Council
From: Chief Scott Stoller
Subject: Police Department Report
Date: January.1, 2023

The following are updates and information related to activities of the West Pelzer Police Department and/or upcoming events. Please contact me with any questions that you may have related to these items or anything else. I want your input!
chief@westpelzer.com or 864-947-6297 ext. 103

Crime Stats

- Reports- 11
- Arrests- 2 persons
 - Uninsured/Unlicensed Operation
 - Disorderly Conduct
- Tickets written – 59
- Warnings- 6
- Motor vehicle collisions - 2

Updates

- Reminder: If anyone needs to reach an officer for general information, they can call 864-947-6297 opt 5. **To make a report or request a response call Anderson County Dispatch 864-260-4444; If it is an emergency, please dial 911.**
- The Christmas parade was a success.
- Depending on how the weather trends, we would like to plan a clean-up day for February or March.
- Please use extreme caution driving on Main Street, especially between Gray Mortuary and Hwy 20. There is a lot of foot traffic crossing, especially near the mortuary and Mill Town. We had a pedestrian struck just before Christmas in front of the mortuary. **Speeding and aggressive driving enforcement will be strictly enforced.**
- Especially at night, if you see someone or something out of place, please report it to 911.

Oath of Office

Judge

(Stephen Turner)

I do solemnly swear that I am duly qualified, according to the Constitution of this State, to exercise the duties of the office to which I have been appointed and that I will, to the best of my ability, discharge the duties thereof, and preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of this State and of the United States.

As the Municipal Judge for the Town of West Pelzer I will equally, fairly and impartially to the best of my ability and skill, exercise the trust reposed in me, and I will use my best endeavors to preserve the peace and carry into effect according to law the purposes for which I have been appointed.

So help me God.

ORDINANCE 2022-1213

AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE APPROXIMATELY 5 ACRES OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED NEAREST 501 WOODCOCK ROAD AND 190 MILL STREET, WEST PELZER, SOUTH CAROLINA 29669 (TAX MAP NUMBERS 2431301023, 2431301024, 2431301005, 2431301004, 2431301003, 2431301002, 2431301001, 2431302002, 2431302001) TO R-6 HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL / MULTI-FAMILY.

WHEREAS, Vicars Construction has applied to the Town Planning Commission and Town Council to rezone a piece of property located nearest 501 Woodcock Road and 190 Mill Street; and

WHEREAS, the parcel of property, known as Tax Map Numbers 2431301023, 2431301024, 2431301005, 2431301004, 2431301003, 2431301002, 2431301001, 2431302002, & 2431302001 and located nearest 501 Woodcock Road and 190 Mill Street is currently zoned R-20; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has requested the property be rezoned to Residential 6 (R-6) to allow for construction of residential Townhomes; and

WHEREAS, a Planning Commission meeting was schedule for November 29, 2022 to review the proposed zoning request; due to a lack of a quorum the commission was not able to make a formal vote; and

WHEREAS, No public was present; and

WHEREAS, it was the general consensus of the members present to recommend approval of the request.

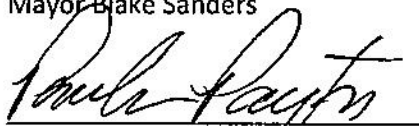
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED: That the rezoning request is hereby approved by Town Council.

First Reading: December 13, 2022

Second Reading: January 10, 2023



Mayor Blake Sanders



Town Clerk Paula Payton, MMC, ABL

RESOLUTION 2023-0110
A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT 2023 P.A.R.D. GRANT FUNDING

WHEREAS, the West Pelzer Town Council has the authority to accept grant awards, and;

WHEREAS, the Anderson County Legislative Delegation has endorsed a PARD grant award in the amount of \$20,000 for a project for the expansion of Chapman Park, and;

WHEREAS, the Town of West Pelzer through its efforts over the years has established a need to expand our existing park through improved facilities, amenities, and landscape; and


WHEREAS, the Legislative Delegation requires a commitment from local governments prior to official award of PARD funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED the by the West Pelzer Town Council:

That the Town of West Pelzer formally accepts PARD grant awards totaling \$20,000 and commits to providing required matching funds.

Resolved in meeting duly assembled this 10th day of January 2023.

Approval as to form:



Mayor

ATTEST:



Town Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-0110.1

**RESOLUTION TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION COMMISSION
FOR THE TOWN OF WEST PELZER, SOUTH CAROLINA**

WHEREAS, the Town of West Pelzer is authorized by the Town Code of Ordinances and South Carolina Local Government, and authorizes as the Mayor and Town Council deem necessary; and

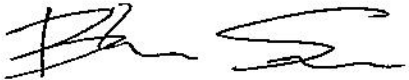
WHEREAS, the Commissions have terms as required by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, following requests for nominations, the nominations presented meet all requirements set forth by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the Town of West Pelzer is authorized to appoint members to commissions, subject to approval by the Council of the Town of West Pelzer.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of West Pelzer that the Town formally appoints Debra Scroggs, to the Town Municipal Election Commission for terms as set by Town Code of Ordinances.

Resolution declared and adopted on January 10, 2023.



Blake Sanders - Mayor



Paula Payton - Town Clerk