

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday November 14, 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) October 10, 2023 Council Meeting
- IV. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS
 - a) Paula Payton Clerk's Report
 - b) Chief Stoller Police Department Report
 - c) Jeff Pearson Public Maintenance Report
- V. <u>CITIZEN COMMENTS (sign up required / max 3 minutes</u>
- VI. OLD BUSINESS
 - Second/Final Reading of Ordinance 2023-0912 "An Ordinance Amending the Business License Ordinance of the Town of West Pelzer to Update the Class Schedule as Required by Act 176 of 2020"
- VII. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>
- VIII. REQUEST BY COUNCIL
- IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION
- X. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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Those present: Mayor-elect Jim Riddle, Council Members Jeff Lee, Thomas Scarfo and Johnny Rogers; Town Clerk Paula Payton, Town Attorney Carey Murphy and Chief Scott Stoller.

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor-elect Riddle called for a moment of silence and pledge

CALL TO ORDER

<u>APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES</u> October 10, 2023 Council Meeting Councilman Lee made a motion to approve, 2nd by Councilman Scarfo; all were in favor.

PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

Paula Payton - Clerk's Report – see attached Chief Stoller – Police Department Report – see attached

CITIZEN COMMENTS (sign up required / max 3 minutes - None

OLD BUSINESS

Second/Final Reading of Ordinance 2023-0912 "An Ordinance Amending the Business License Ordinance of the Town of West Pelzer to Update the Class Schedule as Required by Act 176 of 2020"

Clerk's Comments: South Carolina's Act 176, the Business License Standardization Act, requires every municipality with a business license tax to update its business licensing class schedule every odd-numbered year to go into effect the following year; We must update by December 31, 2023 to remain in compliance with the state law; The class schedule updates use the latest statistical data on business profitability from the IRS; Updates have been approved by the SC Revenue and Fiscal Affairs office; This does not change the business license rates assessed by the Town of West Pelzer; First reading passed at the October meeting.

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

NEW BUSINESS - None

REQUEST BY COUNCIL - None

EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

ADJOURNMENT
At 6:07pm Councilman Lee made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Councilman Scarfo; all were in favor.

Minutes prepared by: Paula H. Payton, MMC, ABL Town Clerk





To: Mayor Sanders and Council

From: Paula H. Payton, MMC, ABL

Subject: Clerk's Report

Date: November 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 last Quarterly Department Meeting was held in October 2023
 - A summary was provided to Council via email
- Paula Payton received reappointment to the Municipal Finance Officers Clerk's & Treasurer Association (MFOCTA) 2024 Board of Directors
- TextMyGov
 - o Connect to citizens via text
 - Report issues & find information
 - Opt to receive alerts for General Information, Emergency, Events
- 2023 Election
 - Successful Candidates
 - Mayor
 - Council Members
- O'Dell Community & Entrepreneur Center
 - Open every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9am-3pm, beginning April 18, 2023
 - Free Wireless Internet, Conference Table, Individual Desks, Whiteboard, Television for Presentations, Refrigerator, Microwave, fully ADA compliant
 - The Senior Place Meals on Wheels
 - Food & activities are provided every Monday & Friday
 - Free; donations accepted

Finance

• October 2023 Budget

General Fund Income \$22,488.95 ~ Expense \$48,471.96
 Water/Sewer Income \$50,083.03 ~ Expense \$33,978.32
 Hospitality Tax Income \$4,503.31 ~ Expense \$4,669.83



To: Mayor Sanders and Council

From: Chief Scott Stoller

Subject: Police Department Report – October 2023

Date: November 3, 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- 12
- Arrests-3
 - Driving Under Suspension
 - Reckless Driving
 - Failure to stop for blue light
 - Malicious Damage
 - Disorderly Conduct
- Tickets written 68
- Ordinance notices issued 3 (grass, trash, junk cars, and other violations)
- Warnings- 9

Municipal Court

- State Treasurer 3244.70
- Victim fund 313.22
- City General Fund 2284.48

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.
- Pumpkin Palooza was a very successful event

ORDINANCE 2023-0912

AMENDING THE BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF WEST PELZER TO UPDATE THE CLASS SCHEDULE AS REQUIRED BY ACT 176 OF 2020.

WHEREAS, the Town of West Pelzer (the "Municipality") is authorized by S.C. Code Section 5-7-30 and Title 6, Chapter 1, Article 3 to impose a business license tax on gross income;

WHEREAS, by Act No. 176 of 2020, known as the South Carolina Business License Tax Standardization Act and codified at S.C. Code Sections 6-1-400 to -420 (the "Standardization Act"), the South Carolina General Assembly imposed additional requirements and conditions on the administration of business license taxes;

WHEREAS, the Standardization Act requires that by December thirty-first of every odd year, each municipality levying a business license tax must adopt, by ordinance, the latest Standardized Business License Class Schedule as recommended by the Municipal Association of South Carolina (the "Association") and adopted by the Director of the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office;

WHEREAS, following the enactment of the Standardization Act, the Municipality enacted Ordinance No. 2021-0907.1 on October 5, 2021, in order to comply with the requirements of the Standardization Act (the "Current Business License Ordinance");

WHEREAS, the Town of West Pelzer Council of the Municipality (the "Council") now wishes to amend the Current Business License Ordinance to adopt the latest Standardized Business License Class Schedule, as required by the Standardization Act, and to make other minor amendments as recommended by the Association;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of West Pelzer, as follows:

SECTION 1. Amendments to Appendix A. Appendix A to the Current Business License Ordinance, the "Business License Rate Schedule," is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) Class 8.3 is hereby amended by deleting the NAICS Codes and replacing them with NAICS 517111, 517112, 517122 Telephone Companies.
- (b) Class 8.6 is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows: "8.6 NAICS Code Varies Billiard or Pool Tables. A business that offers the use of billiard or pool tables shall be subject to business license taxation under its natural class for all gross income of the business excluding the gross income attributable to the billiard or pool tables. In addition, the billiard or pool tables shall require their own separate business licenses pursuant to SC Code § 12-21-2746 and shall be subject to a license tax of \$5.00 per table measuring less than 3½ feet wide and 7 feet long, and \$12.50 per table longer than that."

<u>SECTION 2. Amendments to Appendix B</u>. Appendix B to the Current Business License Ordinance, the "Business License Class Schedule," is hereby amended and restated as set forth on the attached <u>Exhibit A</u>.

<u>SECTION 3. Repealer, Effective Date</u>. All ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed. This ordinance shall be effective with respect to the business license year beginning on May 1, 2024.

ENACTED IN REGULAR MEETING, this 14 day of wovernach, 2027.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk

First reading:

Final reading:

Exhibit A: Amendment to Classes 1 – 8 in Appendix B of the Current Business License Ordinance

APPENDIX B Classes 1 – 8: Business License Class Schedule by NAICS Codes

NAICS Sector/Subsector	Industry Sector	
11	Agriculture, forestry, hunting and fishing	Class 1
21	Mining	
22	Utilities	2
31 - 33	Manufacturing	1
42	Wholesale trade	3
44 - 45	Retail trade	1
48 - 49	Transportation and warehousing	
51	Information	1
52	Finance and insurance	4
53	Real estate and rental and leasing	7
54	Professional, scientific, and technical services	7
55	Management of companies	5 7
56	Administrative and support and waste management and remediation services	
61	Educational services	3
62	Health care and social assistance	3
71	Arts, entertainment, and recreation	4
721	Accommodation	3
722	Food services and drinking places	1
81	Other services	2
		4
Class 8	Subclasses	
23	Construction	
182	Rail Transportation	8.1
517111	Wired Telecommunications Carriers	8.2
517112	Wireless Telecommunications Carriers (except Satellite)	8.3
517122	Agents for Wireless Telecommunications Services	8.3
5241	Insurance Carriers	8.3
5242	Insurance Brokers for non-admitted Insurance Carriers	8.4
13120	Amusement Parks and Arcades	8.4
13290	Nonpayout Amusement Machines	8.51
		8.52
	All Other Amusement and Recreational Industries (pool tables)	8.6

2023 Class Schedule is based on a three-year average (2017 - 2019) of IRS statistical data.