



TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, JULY 27, 2021 - 7:00 P.M.
PIERSON TOWN HALL

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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM and asked Town Clerk Carmen Spelorzi to call roll.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett
Vice Mayor Robert Greenlund
Councilmember Thomas R. Larrivee
Councilmember Sergia Cardenas
Councilmember Gray Leonhard

Also present were Town Attorney Christian Waugh, Town Planner Mark Karet and representatives from the VCSO.

3. Invocation and pledge of allegiance

Mayor Samuel Bennett gave the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mayor Samuel Bennett

- a. Regular Meeting July 13, 2021
- b. Special Meeting July 16, 2021

Mayor Samuel Bennett entertained a motion for approval if there are no deletions or additions.

Councilmember Tom Larrivee made the motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Councilmember Sergia Cardenas. All agreed; motion carries.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **ORDINANCE NO. 2021-02 PUBLIC HEARING Second Reading**
(TABLED FROM 07/13/2021)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWN OF PIERSON’S UNIFIED LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS TO FACILITATE ADMINISTRATION OF THE REGULATIONS; AMENDING ARTICLE II - RULES OF INTERPRETATION AND DEFINITIONS, SECTION 2.2 DEFINITIONS; AMENDING ARTICLE III – ADMINISTRATION,

49 ENFORCEMENT AND REVIEW, SECTION 3.2.10.A. COMPLAINTS
50 REGARDING VIOLATIONS.

51 (Recommendation for approval from the Planning Commission on third review)
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53 Mr. Waugh read the title into record and elaborated on the history and need for this
54 amendment. Mr. Waugh explained that this amendment
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- 56 • corrects a mistake in the code that says the Development Regulations Administrator
57 (DRA) is synonymous with the Chief Building official
- 58 • adds verbiage stating that the Town shall appoint an (any) employee to serve in that
59 capacity
- 60 • adds language to 3.2.10 that anything the DRA does with a complaint has to be
61 reported immediately to the Town Council
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63 Mayor Bennett opened Public Participation. Hearing no comments the Mayor closed Public
64 Participation.
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66 **Councilmember Tom Larrivee made the motion to approve Ordinance 2021-02 on**
67 **second reading; seconded by Councilmember Gray Leonhard. All agreed; motion**
68 **carries on roll call vote 5-0.**
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70 b. **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-03**

71 A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PIERSON, FLORIDA SETTING THE
72 POLICY AND PROCEDURE FOR A NOTICE OF VIOLATION PROCESS-
73 ; REPEALING RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING
74 FOR SEVERABILITY AND APPLICABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN
75 EFFECTIVE DATE.
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77 Mayor Bennett asked Mr. Waugh to speak on this resolution and the need for it. Mr. Waugh
78 summarized the content of this resolution and advised the Council of a new State law that
79 complaints cannot be made anonymously, meaning that the Town cannot investigate
80 complaints without a name and address of the complainant (exceptions exist).
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82 Discussion ensued and Mayor Bennett recommended sending the resolution to the P&Z for
83 review/recommendations and thereafter bringing it back before the Council for ratification.
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85 **Vice Mayor Robert Greenlund made the motion to send the resolution to the P&Z**
86 **Commission for review and to bring back any recommendation before the Council for**
87 **ratification; seconded by Councilmember Gray Leonhard. All agreed; motion carries.**
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89 c. **Updates by Mayor - Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett**

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91 Mayor Bennett spoke on

- 92 • Executed Sewer agreement extension from VCSB should be received by Town soon
- 93 • Attendance at VLOC meetings
- 94 • Possible funds available to the Town for COVID

- 95 • Application for a Florida League of Cities scholarship for the Mayor to attend the
96 annual conference in Orlando was submitted and an award notification has been
97 received in the amount of \$2,000
98 • Creating an agenda item for inspection of the road condition for East 1st Ave based on
99 the request of resident Katie Ruth. Ms. Ruth was in the audience and explained her
100 reasons for requesting the road be looked at due it its very rough condition. Mayor
101 Bennett stated that he would have the Town Foreman look at it.

102 d. Update of Town projects from Town Attorney – Town Attorney Christian
103 Waugh

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105 Town Attorney Christian Waugh spoke on

- 106 • Airport litigation has been settled by the insurance company, no fund expenditures
107 necessary from the Town, in the process of requesting the settlement agreement
108 • title option Issued of Palmetto Park Grant, discussion ensued about available grants
109 and what steps the Town has taken thus far
110 • Needing the Town of Pierson to reassign and approve his contract as Waugh Grant as
111 he added a new partner

112 **Vice Mayor Robert Greenlund made the motion to approve reassigning the current**
113 **contract from Waugh Law to Waugh Grant; seconded by Councilmember Tom**
114 **Larrivee. All agreed; motion carries.**

115 Town Clerk to add this item to next Council agenda.

116 e. Update of Town projects from Town Planner – Town Planner Mark Karet, Zev
117 Cohen & Associates

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119 Town Planner Mark Karet spoke on

- 120 • Received 90% plans/permit sets to be submitted to DEP and DEO, can go out to bid
121 for Construction
122 • July 20th – new P&Z Chair Paul Martel and Vice Chair Linnie Richardson
123 • Changes made to noise ordinance
124 • Legislature changes
125 • On site for appointments 8/5/21
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127 **6. OLD BUSINESS**

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129 **7. OTHER BUSINESS**

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131 Vice Mayor Robert Greenlund

- 132 • inquired about the appraisal for the current Town Hall building and was informed that
133 one was received and will be discussed at the next Council meeting.
134 • was approached about striping on the Town's Road, Shaw Lake Road in particular as
135 well as 2nd Ave east and west side. Put on agenda to discuss potential cost. Mayor will
136 check with County for price and availability.
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- 138 • Asked about 4th of July proceeds
139 Councilmember Tom Larrivee
140 • asked, pertaining to Resolution 2021-03, if a third party can make a complaint as long
141 as they give their information.
142 • Inquired if Ordinance 2021-03 pertaining to accessory buildings ever came back
143 before the Council for final approval. Mrs. Spelorzi stated that she will do the
144 necessary advertisements and schedule the 2nd reading for the August 10th, 2021
145 Council meeting.
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147 Councilmember Sergia Cardenas, Town Clerk and the VCSO had no additional comments.

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149 Councilmember Gray Leonhard inquired about an abandoned truck on East 1st Ave and asked
150 the VCSO to investigate.

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152 Mayor Bennett read dates of upcoming meetings.

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154 **8. GOOD AND WELFARE (public participation)**

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158 **9. ADJOURNED**

159 **Hearing no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM.**

160 Minutes prepared by:

Minutes approved by:

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Carmen Spelorzi, Town Clerk

Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett