CITY OF PINE LAKE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING & WORK SESSION MINUTES

June 10, 2025 at 6:00 PM Courthouse & Council Chambers 459 Pine Drive, Pine Lake, GA

Call to Order: Mayor Pro Tem Bordeaux called the Special Called Meeting to order at 6:00PM.

Present: Mayor pro tem Jean Bordeaux, Council Members Jeff Goldberg, Tom Ramsey, Thomas Torrent, and Augusta Woods. Also present were City Manager Stanley Hawthorne, Chief of Police Sarai Y'hudah-Green, City Attorney Chris Balch, Public Works Director Bernard Kendrick, Assistant City Clerk Ned Dagenhard. Mayor Brandy Hall and Finance Director Danny Lamonte were not in attendance.

Announcements/Communications

Mayor pro tem Bordeaux moved to amend the Agenda to cancel the Public Hearing, upon seeing no public. It was further explained that this Public Hearing was essentially a "bonus hearing," as it was not a legal requirement to hold four total hearings.

Council Member Ramsey announced that a real-time document viewing/editing tool in Microsoft Teams was now functional, and recommended that all members of the Governing Authority ensure the program is available on their chosen computer device.

Adoption of the Agenda of the Day

Council Member Torrent moved to adopt the Agenda of the Day; Council Member Ramsey seconded.

A brief discussion took place.

Mayor pro tem Bordeaux called for a vote.

All members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

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Special Called Meeting

1. Resolution R-2025-38, 2025 Property Tax Millage Rate Process (Revised)

Council Member Ramsey motioned to adopt Resolution R-2025-38; Council Member Torrent seconded.

Acting City Clerk Dagenhard read the Resolution aloud, since the updated version was not made available prior to the meeting.

Council Member Goldberg inquired as to whether the City could utilize a legal organ outside of the DeKalb Champion, citing continued errors in their management and printing, or move completely to digital publishing. The City Attorney responded that the County's constitutional officers determine the legal organ for publication; and—regarding digital print—that cyber illiteracy continues to be a concern.

Mayor pro tem Bordeaux called for a vote.

All members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Council Member Torrent motioned to adjourn the Special Called Meeting at 6:14PM.

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Old Business

1. Ordinance to Amend Chapter 16, Public Nuisances

The City Council deliberated the 35-page Ordinance Chapter Amendment for roughly four hours. Points of notable deliberation included whether to permit tent-like structures and non-domesticated animals on public lands, the legality of local fishing regulation, and vegetation management practices on undeveloped lots.

Council Member Torrent motioned for recess at 9:07PM.

Mayor pro tem Bordeaux called the meeting back to order at 9:19PM, and asked to table Old Business Item 1 to permit the City Manager's introduction of the monthly Strategic Performance Report (SPR); the report included important information regarding capital project advancements, presented by Public Works Director Bernard Kendrick.

Mayor pro tem Bordeaux removed Old Business Item 1 from the table, and deliberation of the Ordinance continued.

No other formal action was taken by City Council.

Reports and Other Business

Mayor pro tem Bordeaux reminded the public of the City's upcoming June 21st *Juneteenth Celebration* event.

Adjournment

Council Member Torrent motioned for adjournment was made at 11:13PM.

Ned Dagenhard
Acting City Clerk

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