

**PEMBROKE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 8, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Pembroke City Council was held on Monday, November 8, 2021, at the New City Hall with the following members present: Mayor Judy Cook, Mayor Pro-Tem Tiffany Walraven, Councilmembers Diane Moore, Ernest Hamilton, Karen Lynn and Johnnie Miller. Also present was City Attorney Dana Braun, DDA/P/Z Renee Hernandez, Police Chief William Collins, Fire Chief Peter Waters and City Clerk Cathy Rushing.

CALL TO ORDER...Mayor Cook called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

INVOCATION...Councilman Johnnie Miller gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE...The Pledge was led by Mayor Pro-Tem Tiffany Walraven.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES...Councilman Ernest Hamilton made a motion, with a second by Councilwoman Karen Lynn to approve the minutes from the meeting of October 11, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS...Sheila Fields reported that the grounds at Head Start were still in need of work. Mayor Cook informed Ms. Fields that CAA is in charge of maintaining those grounds. Marie Allen stated that the area on Benton Street where the church burned still has not been cleaned up. The City's code enforcement officer will be making contact to make sure that this is taken care of.

PUBLIC HEARING...Mayor Cook called the Public Hearing to order on a Rezoning Request submitted by Lawrence Alexander Homes to Rezone P11 07 009 and P11 07 009 003 from R-1 to R-3. Renee Hernandez told Council that a 12 unit townhome development is planned for this area. Mayor Pro-Tem Walraven made a motion to approve the rezoning request. Councilwoman Moore seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

FIRST READINGS...Mayor Cook presented the first reading of an Ordinance Amending Section 5-2 (3) & (4), Section 5-3 (3) of Article V of the City of Pembroke Zoning Ordinance and Section 4-3 of Article IV presently captioned as "Section 4-3 of Article IV of Chapter 4 of Title 6 (Section 6-4-4-3) Lot and Building Requirements" so as to enact that section as Section 4-4 of Article IV as Amended. Councilwoman Moore made a motion, with a second by Councilwoman Lynn, to dispense with the reading of the Amendment. The motion passed unanimously. Mayor Cook stated that this constitutes the First Reading.

Mayor Cook then presented the first reading of an Amendment of the Subdivision Regulation of the City of Pembroke to add subsections 7.4.3, 7.4.4, 7.4.5 and 7.4.6 to Section 7.4 with Section 7.4, as amended. Mayor Pro-Tem Walraven made a motion to dispense with the reading of the Amendment. Councilwoman Moore seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. This constitutes the First Reading of this Amendment.

Councilwoman Moore made a motion to put a new streetlight on Ash Branch Road past the new intersection heading north. Councilwomen Lynn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

City Clerk Cathy Rushing asked Council to approve the disposal of scrape metal. There are about three trailers full of old pipe and debris that has been picked up from around the city.

Mayor Pro-Tem Walraven made a motion, with a second by Councilwoman Lynn to approve of the disposal of the scrape metal. The motion passed unanimously.

City Clerk Cathy Rushing then asked Council to consider raising residential garbage rates from \$11 to \$13 and commercial garbage rates from \$13 to \$16. This is due to the increase in the city rates from All Green Services. This will take effect January 1, 2022. Councilman Miller made a motion to approve the increase in rates as presented. Councilwoman Lynn seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS...Renee Hernandez gave a report to Council on the events that have taken place since the last meeting and about upcoming events. She also reported that the Twelve 07 Bistro and Auto MD have closed, and new business Sovereign Ink has opened and is doing well.

Police Chief Collins reported that the cameras at the skate park have been installed and are running enough that the park can be reopened. There will be more drug enforcement around that area. He also reported that starting November 10th, there will be a morning and afternoon court as they try to get caught up on the backlog of cases caused by Covid. Since the renovations at the old city hall have begun, the police dept. has set up their office at the old police station located at 154 Railroad Street.

Fire Chief Peter Waters gave a brief report on what is going on with code enforcement.

COMMITTEE REPORTS...Under Finance, Councilwoman Moore made a motion to approve the end-of-year adjustment. Councilwoman Lynn seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Councilman Hamilton discussed the striping of parking spaces uptown.

With no further business, Mayor Pro-Tem Walraven made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Lynn seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

ATTEST:





Cathy D. Rushing, City Clerk



Judy B. Cook, Mayor