Town of White Pine Council Minutes September 2, 2025

Mayor Warren called the meeting to order with all council members present. Attorney Drinnon was present as well.

On a motion from Mr. Sinard, second from Mr. Marshall, the minutes of the August 5, 2025 meeting were unanimously approved.

On a motion from Mr. Woods, second from Mr. Sinard, the minutes of the August 26, 2025 special called meeting were unanimously approved.

On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mr. Sinard, the minutes of the second special called meeting on August 26, 2025 were unanimously approved.

On a motion from Mr. Woods, second from Mr. Marshall, the minutes of the special called beer board meeting on August 26, 2025 were unanimously approved.

On a motion from Mr. Sinard, second from Mr. Marshall, Ordinance #6-25, zoning ordinance for provisions of home occupations, passed in a roll call vote with all members in favor.

On a motion from Mr. Woods, second from Mrs. Walker, Kevin Carr was named as the new officer replacing retiree Rodney Sexton. Motion passed unanimously.

On a motion from Mr. Woods, second from Mr. Marshall, Marc Lamb was hired as an accounting assistant for town hall. Motion passed unanimously.

On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mr. Woods, Josh Harless was hired as a recreation assistant and to help in general maintenance. Motion passed unanimously.

On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mr. Woods, it was unanimously voted to open up the application process for the liquor license being that the Isaacs Enterprises was unable to obtain the address specified on their application. Deadline to turn in applications will be September 25, 2025 at 4 pm. The board will meet in a special called meeting on September 30, 2025 with interviews beginning at 5:30 pm and a meeting to vote on the second license for the town.

On a motion from Mrs. Walker, second from Mrs. Arwood, it was unanimously voted to accept Path Constructions counter offer with all the existing set of conditions, for \$475,000.

Under police news Chief Cotter said they have had 599 calls in August. Sgt. Ramsey has obtained a grant for another canine. This grant is 100% and will pay the \$15K for the dog. The K9 kennel will be installed in the existing vehicle and the drug fund will incur the other costs associated with this. On a motion from Mr. Woods, second from Mrs. Arwood, it was unanimously voted to allow this purchase.

Assistant Chief Brady said the fire department has had less calls than normal. The parts for the brush truck are stuck on the border and the department is hoping to receive them soon.

Mr. Woods said the planning commission addressed the motorcycle shop at the corner of Zimmerman and Main Street. The zoning for this property does not allow a motorcycle shop and the commission is going to address again at the next meeting to discuss a special zoning for this property.

Mr. Wilson announced dates for upcoming basketball for youth at White Pine School. A slide was replaced at Kidz Kountry because of the existing one being cracked. The football field has been mowed and aeriated but still needing some things done to the field. Splash pad is now shut down for the season. Bingo is going well. The Pine Fest has around sixty vendors and is expected to gain several more. A poker run for the night before is also expecting a big turnout.

Mr. Stewart shared a recent meeting with TDEC and the possibility of another consent order, but the board gave a presentation to show them that the work is being put forth now to correct any problems. Mayor Warren commented that Jeramy and Tristin had done a great job on their presentation.

Mayor Warren reported for the street department. Pine Meadows subdivision signs are in and expected to be put in soon.

Under new business, Chief Cotter asked that the board add some wording to the existing ordinance pertaining to mowing. He asked that we add weeds and also pests to the ordinance. Some property owners are only half mowing and it would give us more authority to stand behind. On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mr. Sinard, it was unanimously voted to add this verbiage to the ordinance with the motion passing unanimously.

Mr. Stewart also asked about the turbidity meters and the bid that came in from them. On a motion from Mr. Marshall second from Mr. Sinard, it was unanimously voted to award the bid to Hach for \$42,104.27.

Mayor Warren asked the board if he could suspend the rules. On a motion from Mr. Sinard, second from Mr. Marshall, it was unanimously voted to suspend the rules to allow Mayor Warren to present a proclamation to make David Noonkesser the official town historian. Mayor Warren read the proclamation and had the history committee and Mrs. Noonkesser to join them for a picture.

On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mr. Woods, the meeting unanimously adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Glen E. Warren, Mayor

Alyson P. Susong, Recorder

Town of White Pine Public Hearing Minutes

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Mayor Warren called the public hearing to order with all council members and Attorney Drinnon present.

Mayor Warren asked if anyone had anything to ask about the zoning changes on the home occupancy ordinance. No one was there to ask about the ordinance.

There being no comments, the meeting was adjourned.

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Glen E. Warren, Mayor

Alyson P. Susong, Recorder