INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

June 2, 2015

The Indian Springs Village Town Council met Tuesday, June 2, 2015. Mayor Bell-Guercio called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. The Town Clerk called the roll and all council members were present.

The minutes of May 19, 2015 were reviewed and accepted as written.

Councilman Stauss reported for Wayne Jones, Chairman of PAZ that a public meeting is set for June 4th at 7 pm in the council meeting room concerning proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance.

Chief Tyler reported that there were 138 incidents in the fire district, 48 fire related and 90 medical related for the month of May. He also showed pictures of the new four door, four wheel drive Polaris purchased with the grant from the Health Foundation. Due to the creek going through Heardmont Park, the fire department’s equipment cannot get across the creek. With the new Polaris, this will not be an issue. Additionally, if we have another ice storm, it can be used in rescue efforts. Again, he thanked the Council for their help in procuring the grant. Chief Tyler also advised that there is on-going fire hydrant maintenance and you may temporarily see some dingy water. Unfortunately, this is part of the process.

Deputy Lee Stockman reported that it has been noticeably quieter probably due to school being out, but there has been an increase in wrecks.

Councilman Robins reported that he had received three bids for catering the 4th of July event. These were discussed and Councilman Trammell made a motion that the bid from Dreamland be accepted. Councilman Mendel seconded and the vote was unanimous.

All the plans for the 4th of July event were discussed and it appears everything is on schedule. Robins reported that the flags on the telephone poles will go up prior to Flag Day which is June 14th.

Councilperson Harrington reported that in order to be ready for a “special” 25th Anniversary Founders Day event to occur, the Founders Day Committee, Kathryn Harrington, Amy Easton, Joan Downs and Rita Mendel, needs to meet soon and start planning.

Stauss reported that he has been working on the Caldwell Mill & Hwy. 119 property issue and would like to have the property appraised. Therefore, he made a motion that the Council approve an appraisal at a cost not to exceed $500. Harrington seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Trammell introduced a resolution to notify the public of a public hearing to be held on Tuesday, July 7th, 2015 at 7:00 pm in conjunction with the regularly scheduled Town Council Meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to have the first reading of the proposed 2015 Building Code Ordinance. Trammell moved to ratify the resolution and Mendel seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Trammell also recommended that going forward, all open public meeting notices go out via E-Blast; the Council agreed.

The Town Clerk reported to the Council that she had been in contact with the State of Alabama Tobacco Tax Office and they advised that in 2004, the State froze the ability of a municipality to start collecting tobacco tax; hence the inability to pursue this revenue source by ISV. Stauss reported that he has a list of vendors operating without a business license within the Town. He and the Town Clerk will continue to work on this issue.

Previous Mayor, Judge Hub Harrington, gave an update on Keep Oak Mountain Wild (KOMW). He informed the Council that KOMW had invested in an independent expert to evaluate the County and City of Pelham’s feasibility study related to the development in the Oak Mountain State Park and found significate inaccuracies. He plans to meet individually with County Commissioners to present this report. Harrington asked that ISV citizens contribute to KOMW in order to cover the on-going expenses of the organization. A discussion followed and indicated that if ISV citizens were aware of the financial needs of the organization, and were aware that the organization is working for the benefit of the Town, they would be happy to contribute. Therefore, it was decided that an article in *The Village Voice* along with a pledge card will go out in a future issue.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Downs, Town Clerk