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Pittman Center Times

Official Newsletter of the Town of Pittman Center

Dear Subscribers,

Thank you for continuing to read the Pittman Center Times! We believe this is one of the best methods to communicate with the citizens of this community.

We hope that everyone has stayed safe and dry during the recent flooding events.

If you have any comments or suggestions, please feel free to call Town Hall at (865) 436-5499 or you can email us at asutton@pittmancentertn.gov.

Your PC Times Staff

MESSAGE FROM MICHAEL

The Town of Pittman Center hopes that everyone has had a fantastic February in spite of the weather. Like last February we experienced flood events this year. Fortunately, we only had minor accidents and flooding in our Town. This month we have been busy with working on plans for various future projects from road repairs and strategic plans to Heritage Day. Please stay tuned as we continually work to improve the services of the Town.

In other news we have received four competitive applications for a part-time maintenance worker. We are excited about expanding our services and capabilities in our maintenance department this year. Please visit our website and our Facebook for more details as the deadline for applications is March 6th.

Michael T. Borders
City Administrator



TOWN MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

All Town meetings are open to the public. Members of the community are encouraged to attend! Complete minutes (after they are approved by the BMA) are available on the Pittman Center web site. Below is an unofficial and brief overview of the meetings.

Planning Commission

During the regularly scheduled meeting held on February 10th the Planning Commission:

1. Reviewed and Discussed Overnight Rentals: The Planning Commission reviewed a Zoning Ordinance Amendment that would limit the size of overnight rentals in certain zoning districts.

2. Reviewed and Discussed Dark Skies Resolution: The Planning Commission reviewed a Resolution to encourage Sevier County Electric System to adopt the standards of ANSI/IES RP-8 and the International Dark Skies Association's model lighting Ordinance regarding obtrusive lighting for its street lights. The Planning Commission recommended the Ordinance to the BMA for approval.
3. Reviewed and Discussed Building Height Regulations.

Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BMA)

During the meeting held on February 20th the BMA:

1. Passed on second reading Ordinance No. 291: An Ordinance of the Town of Pittman Center, Tennessee to replace Ordinance No. 217 in its entirety and replace with a new Tree Ordinance.
2. Passed on second reading Ordinance No. 292: An Ordinance of the Town of Pittman Center, Tennessee to adopt a Tourist Residency Program.
3. Passed on second reading Ordinance No. 293: An Ordinance of the Town of Pittman Center, Tennessee Amending Title 12 of the Municipal Code to Designate the Building Official as a Special Police Officer for Issuing Citations in Lieu of Arrest.
4. Passed on second reading Ordinance No. 294: An Ordinance of the Town of Pittman Center, Tennessee, Replacing Municipal Code §15-8 and Adopting by Reference State Traffic Offenses and Rules of the Road.
5. Passed on second reading Ordinance No. 295: An Ordinance of the Town of Pittman Center, Tennessee to amend the FY20 Budget.
6. Passed Resolution No. 223: A Resolution of Pittman Center, TN Encouraging Sevier County Electric System to Adopt the Standards of ANSI/IES RP-8 and the International Dark Skies Association's Model Lighting Ordinance Regarding Obtrusive Lighting for its Street Lights.

BMA Notes:

- Please note that the Tourist Residency program will only affect **new** overnight rental units and units that currently do not comply with rules, regulations, fail to remit hotel/motel taxes, or otherwise not meet the requirements to be considered grandfathered in Tennessee Code Annotated.
- The ability for the Building Official to issue citations is limited to building codes, property maintenance, planning and zoning, etc., and does **not** include criminal, traffic, or other Police Department related offenses.

The Planning Commission will meet on Monday March 9th at 4:30

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen will meet on Thursday March 19th at 4:30

The next Tree Board meeting is yet to be determined.

The next Recreation Board meeting is yet to be determined.

If you have any questions regarding agenda items or action please contact the City Administrator at (865) 436-5499.

FLOODING!



This month the Town of Pittman Center and Sevier County experienced flooding.

Fortunately, there were no major injuries and damage to public infrastructure was limited to Old Hills Creek Road and Butler Branch Bridge. The Town also



experienced severe flooding on Webbs Creek Road which was closed down by the Town's Maintenance Department. **If you see road closed signs and barricades for your safety please do not drive through or**



around the signs and barricades. The Town will only close roads for public safety. The washout on Old Hills Creek Road has been repaired by the Town's Maintenance Department. The Town is working with engineers to ensure that



Butler Branch Bridge is repaired appropriately. We will have more updates in the future as that project progresses. We have no further updates on infrastructure projects at this time.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pittman Center Sparkle Days!



The Town of Pittman Center Tree Board in corroboration with the Pittman Center Firewise Committee is excited to announce that Sparkle Days will run from February 13th through February 29th. Sparkle Days is an opportunity for citizens to place their collective brush next to the road for pick-up by the Town of Pittman Center. This is a free curbside pick-up for residential brush that is less than five inches (5") in diameter and less than six feet (6') in length. Once your brush is curbside contact the Town of Pittman Center at (865) 436-5499 and let us know it is ready for pick-up. Town staff will pick it up within a few business days!

The Pittman Center Firewise Committee is separate from the Town of Pittman Center and is made up of volunteers that are willing to help folks that may not be physically able to trim brush themselves. If you would like help trimming brush please contact the Town of Pittman Center at (865) 436-5499 or email at pittmancenterfirewise@gmail.com and a Firewise Committee member will be in contact with you to discuss what can be done to assist you.



The Town of Pittman Center & AirMedCare

Daniel Willis from AirMedCare will be at Pittman Center City Hall on **Thursday March 12th from 12p.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday March 13th from 6:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.** for citizens wishing to upgrade their membership.

Remember the Town partners with AirMedCare to provide basic coverage which means:

Any individual whom resides within the boundaries of The Town of Pittman Center, TN when transported for medical necessity by Lifestar (or any AirMedCare Network Provider) will be covered under the standard terms and conditions for an AirMedCare Network membership except:

- *Transport must be from a pickup location in Sevier County, TN;*
- *If covered person transported is uninsured (or has no billable insurance) at the time of transport, Med-Trans Corporation will bill the covered person at the "Medicare Allowable Rate" for the transport.*

While this is a great service, you can upgrade your benefits to a full membership with additional coverage. By upgrading to a full membership, this removes the two limitations mentioned above. A full membership includes coverage in an additional 38 states with 320 locations for an additional \$45.00 per year per household you can cover everyone living under your roof. If anyone in the home is 60 years of age or older then the whole home is an additional \$35.00 per year.

Due to the agreement with the Town of Pittman Center being annual the discounted rates are only available on a yearly basis. AirMedCare will mail you a letter within 90 days of your full membership's expiration date. If you have any questions regarding renewals please contact Daniel at Daniel.Willis@airmedcarenetwork.com

Heritage Day

Calling all vendors and crafters the Town of Pittman of Center is now accepting applications for Heritage Day 2020! Please visit www.pittmancentertn.com go to the "government" tab in the ribbon bar then to "printable forms" to print out the "Vendor Registration form" and "Vendor Letter" (you can also pick up a form at City Hall). The deadline to turn in Vendor Registration forms will be April 17.

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor or volunteer for Heritage Day please give us a call at (865) 436-5499. We need shark race volunteers, decorators, and parking attendants. Call today to learn how you can volunteer!

We have some exciting plans and look forward to seeing everyone at the 30th annual Heritage Day on Saturday April 25th at 9am at the Pittman Center City Hall grounds!

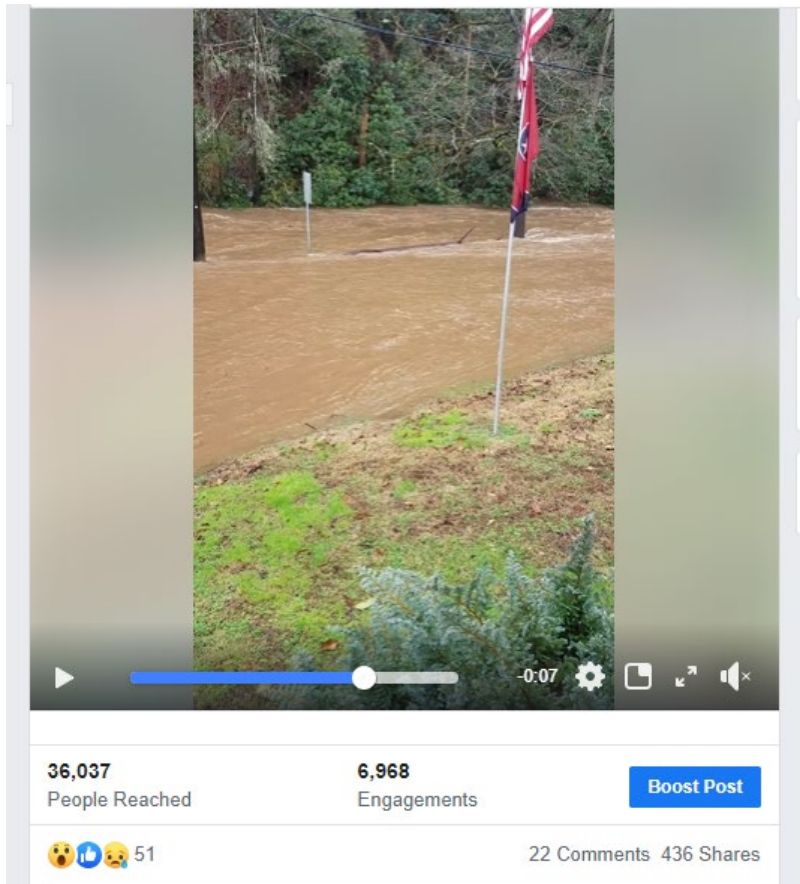
REMINDERS...

Please remember in order to participate in the citizens comment section at the Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting you must fill out a form provided by Town staff and return the form prior to the end of day Tuesday before the Thursday meeting. You can find the form at www.pittmancentertn.com go to the "government" tab in the ribbon bar then to "printable forms". You may also contact Town staff and have the form filled out over the phone at (865) 436-5499.

DID YOU KNOW ...?

Pittman Center is on Facebook and online at www.pittmancentertn.com

The Town of Pittman Center has an active Facebook and website and posts important updates to keep citizens in the loop! The Town posts everything from meeting agendas, meeting minutes, Heritage Day updates, road closures, weather updates, upcoming maintenance projects, and much more! If you have any suggestions on improving the Town's communication please feel free to contact us at (865) 436-5499.



Recent Facebook video post from the
February floods with over 36,000 views!

Don't miss out, follow us on Facebook and
our website!