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## A CITY WITH ROOM FOR GROWTH

### A Message from Our Mayor

Hello Pine Forest,

I hope everyone has gotten back to their Back-to-School routines! Please keep our children's safety in mind and watch out for school buses when they are loading and unloading. Leave a little earlier for work or school, if necessary. On a sad note, still not much rain in our area! The Burn ban is still in affect so please NO BURNING until this ban has been lifted. There have been so many tragic fires lately with this drought. Say a Prayer for rain! Please follow the Pine Forest Talk FB group for important info. as well. I hope everyone has a great September!

Mayor Cathy Nagel Cathy Nagel

#### Save the Date:

September 4- Office Closed in Observance of Labor Day

September 5 - Public Budget Hearing 6PM/ Meeting 6:05PM

September 11- City Council Meeting 6PM

September 18- Special Meeting- Tax 6:00PM

October 9- Office Closed in Observance of Columbus Day

October 10- City Council Meeting 6PM

October 31- Happy Halloween





#### Hours of Operatio

Business is open Monday through Friday 8:00 AM- 2:30 PM. Our City Council Meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month at 6:00 PM.

Next City Council Meeting will be held on Monday, September 11, 2023 at 6:00 PM.



#### Keep our Community Clean!!

City Dumpster Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month the Dumpster will be open to Pine Forest Residents ONLY. If you have a construction business you will not be permitted to throw your material away here. This is for resident use **ONLY!** You must make an appointment prior to your visit by calling us at 409-786-4100. Next Available Saturday is September 16, 2023.

# Monthly Meetings

Council Meetings are held at 6 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at City Hall, located at 305 Nagel Street, unless a Holiday falls on that date, the meeting moves to the next business day.





- Visit our website to view a copy of the agenda. www.cityofpineforest.com
- Special Meetings are called as needed and are posted on the website and at City Hall 72 hours prior to the meeting date and time.
- Citizens may speak to the council during the Citizens Communication portion. It is recommended that you show up 15 minutes prior to the meeting to sign in. Speeches are limited to 3 minutes.



Please keep our city safe. The city has received several reports of dogs running loose causing Postal Services and Utility providers unable to deliver or provide services. Please be a good neighbor and a responsible Pet Owner and keep your dogs on your property.





## Please Slow Down!

The City of Pine Forest continues to encourage drivers to slow down. Especially during High Traffic. The posted speed limit is 30 MPH on Lakeview Cutoff and 20MPH down most City Streets. Please make this a safe place to live for our residents and our Children at play.

As a Reminder, please slow down. Not only does driving fast put you at risk, but those around you, such as other drivers and pedestrians.



The season once had a third name as well—in 12th- and 13th-century Middle English, fall was called "haerfest," which was the act of taking in crops. Eventually, it was known as "harvest" because the full moon closest to the autumn equinox is called the harvest moon.



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# City Permitting

Pine Forest requires that a Permit be issued for any Modification to your property, building constructed or moved onto a property or for any improvement to your property, home or building. Permits can be obtained by filling out a Permit Application and these permits are valid for 180 days.

### Some examples that require a Permit are:

- Construction of a new building or home
- Additions to existing buildings
- Substantially improving existing buildings
- Placing of manufactured (mobile) homes on a property
- Temporary building for both residential and commercial
- Agriculture buildings
- Concrete, Fill, grading, excavations, mining, and dredging

## Burn Ban in Effect

Due to the extreme drought conditions, Orange County Emergency Management has announced that a burn ban is in effect until further notice. Please share and let your fellow neighbors know.

Constable Matt Ortego



## **Pine Forest Donuts**

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# The Lending Library!

Don't forget about The Lending Library This Fall at City Hall! Lots of great books for the Little Ones & even the big ones too! Take a book, read a book, keep a book, trade a book or add a

book! Æ Keep those little minds flowing this year!







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