

Town of Pine Ridge

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JANUARY 14, 2025 REGULAR SCHEDULED TOWN COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

6:45 P.M. - Town Council Work Session

6:45 P.M. – 6:46 P.M. Review of Administrative Department Report

6:46 P.M. – 6:47 P.M. Review of Police Department Administrative Report

6:47 P.M. – 6:51 P.M. Council Standing Committee Reports:

- a) Finance Committee-Chair Davis & Member Dinkins
- b) Property & Recreation Committee-Chair Simms & Member Sturkie
- c) Employee Grievance Committee-Chair Dinkins & Members Sturkie & Urbanek

6:51 P.M. – 7:00 P.M. Informational Council Discussion:

- a) January 23, 2025: Chief's Forum from 6:00pm to 6:30pm
- b) January 23, 2025: Council Quarterly Work Session from 6:45pm to 7:45pm
- c) February 11, 2025: Audit presentation & Council vote: 2023/2024 fiscal year

7:00 P.M. - Town Council Meeting

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum
3. Invocation
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Freedom of Information Act Compliance

Approval of Minutes

1. December 10, 2024 Regular Scheduled Council Meeting

Old Business

None

New Business

1. Consideration of Resolution 2025-01: Certification of Jury Roll
2. Consideration of donation: Friends of the South Congaree-Pine Ridge Library
3. Consideration of donation: Midland Softball
4. Consideration of donation: Midland Baseball
5. Consideration of use of ARP funds Resolution 2025-02
6. Consideration of moving November 4th meeting to November 18th due to elections
7. Dominion 2025 Tree Trimming
8. Consideration of Ordinance 2025-03: Adoption of Codified Ordinances

Citizen's Comment Time – (email to vmiller@townofpineridgesc.com by 5pm on 1/13/2025)

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TOWN OF PINE RIDGE
BUDGET REPORT

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024

Budget	Total Annual Budget	Current Month Actual	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date %
REVENUES				
BUSINESS LICENSE	100,000.00	28,392.03	62,568.83	62.57
FINES AND PENALTIES	98,000.00	3,566.90	41,026.29	41.86
S.C. AID TO SUBDIVISION	56,000.00	0.00	13,997.37	25.00
MASC - COURT FINES	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MASC - ADMIN FEES	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SPECIAL -DUTY EMPLOY	1,600.00	165.00	550.00	34.38
DOMINION FRANCHISE	156,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LEX CTY ACCOMMODAT	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SALE OF CAPITAL ASSET	80,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SANITATION FRANCHISE	500.00	0.00	121.50	24.30
ZONING	5,000.00	400.00	2,341.00	46.82
SPECTRUM/CHARTER FR	21,000.00	0.00	4,016.76	19.13
MASC - BL	186,000.00	142.29	2,865.74	1.54
AT&T/DIRECT TV FRAN	5,000.00	0.00	638.08	12.76
TNC ASSESSMENT	150.00	56.87	56.87	37.91
AMERICAN RESCUE PLA	273,946.70	0.00	0.00	0.00
SRO GRANT 24/25	97,351.00	23,589.17	23,589.17	24.23
INTEREST INCOME	10,000.00	717.93	4,592.54	45.93
VICTIMS FUND	18,650.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MC-BOND ESTREATMEN	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SUNDRY	100.00	311.06	339.71	339.71
TOTAL REVENUES	1,111,997.70	57,341.25	156,703.86	14.09
EXPENSES				
ADM. TRAINING	700.00	0.00	107.80	15.40
OFFICE SUPPLIES/PRINTI	5,500.00	96.30	3,072.20	55.86
ADM. TECH SUPPORT	8,000.00	0.00	1,559.13	19.49
ZONING TECH SUPPORT	5,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ACCOUNTING	11,250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LEGAL	2,000.00	0.00	1,242.00	62.10
CONSULTING SERVICES	0.00	1,305.50	9,948.00	0.00
PAYROLL SERVICES	2,000.00	167.60	708.20	35.41
INSURANCE & BONDING	25,500.00	0.00	15,173.28	59.50
BANK CHARGES	50.00	0.00	194.60	389.20
MILEAGE	500.00	0.00	109.87	21.97
POSTAGE	952.00	0.00	370.10	38.88
UTILITIES	17,500.00	1,658.22	7,516.71	42.95
TELEPHONE-ADMIN	2,500.00	46.41	925.50	37.02
INTERNET SERVICES	2,300.00	189.97	1,139.82	49.56
PUBLIC NOTICES	500.00	0.00	162.00	32.40
DUES	1,600.00	300.00	300.00	18.75
BUILDING & MAINTENA	26,500.00	837.99	10,884.40	41.07
NPDES PERMITS	5,500.00	46.73	46.73	0.85
PINE RIDGE WEB SITE	2,275.00	0.00	239.68	10.54
TOWN EVENT SUPPLIES	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOWN CLEAN-UP	1,750.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EQUIPMENT	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
DONATIONS	7,500.00	941.65	3,410.75	45.48
TREE LIGHTING & PARA	13,000.00	2,205.78	47,901.21	368.47
CHRISTMAS SNOWFLAK	6,700.00	0.00	5,413.08	80.79
MEALS AND MEETING -	500.00	0.00	100.00	20.00
REPAIR&MAINT	10,000.00	244.12	2,663.41	26.63
GAS AND OIL	14,000.00	1,181.09	6,600.42	47.15
PD TECH SUPPORT	3,000.00	53.75	5,730.00	191.00
POLICE DEPT.SUPPLIES	1,500.00	164.84	449.39	29.96
DUES	300.00	175.00	205.00	68.33
VEHICLE INSURANCE	12,000.00	0.00	7,493.10	62.44

pending final audit

TOWN OF PINE RIDGE

BUDGET REPORT

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024

Budget	Total Annual Budget	Current Month Actual	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date %
UNIFORMS	2,000.00	0.00	436.00	21.80
TELEPHONE-POLICE	4,100.00	238.41	1,738.94	42.41
COMMUNITY RELATION	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LAWTRAK LICENSE	4,000.00	0.00	450.00	11.25
TRAINING & MEALS	1,700.00	35.00	1,002.28	58.96
SALARIES - JUDGES	9,200.00	0.00	4,573.10	49.71
JURY FEES	252.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INDIGENT DEFENSE	800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
COURT SUPPLIES	500.00	0.00	160.26	32.05
DETENTION FEES	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
COURT TRAINING	3,000.00	325.00	1,465.07	48.84
COURT ASSESSMENTS	56,000.00	3,258.99	21,452.11	38.31
COURT DEFENSE ATTOR	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
VA - TRAINING	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
VA - PAYROLL	8,000.00	0.00	310.99	3.89
VF - STATE FUND	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
VA - OTHER EXPENSES	5,150.00	41.41	206.96	4.02
PAYROLL	282,597.00	21,432.10	128,567.87	45.50
TAXES - PAYROLL	29,000.00	2,896.94	12,800.68	44.14
PART-TIME CLERICAL	11,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PART-TIME POLICE	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SPECIAL-DUTY EMPLOY	1,000.00	120.15	526.01	52.60
WORKMENS COMP	9,407.00	0.00	14,746.50	156.76
RETIREMENT-POLICE	38,575.67	2,722.19	11,056.52	28.66
RETIREMENT-ADMIN.	21,067.89	(780.22)	4,703.01	22.32
SCRS GROUP LIFE ADMI	200.00	12.91	103.59	51.80
PORS GROUP LIFE PD	400.00	25.86	215.35	53.84
SRO PROGRAM 24/25	97,351.00	5,698.10	36,209.19	37.19
HEALTH INSURANCE PD	14,274.24	1,189.52	8,125.28	56.92
HEALTH INSURANCE AD	20,592.00	4,074.37	14,169.01	68.81
AMERICAN RESCUE PLA	273,946.70	13,551.20	21,390.89	7.81
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,106,590.50	64,456.88	418,075.99	37.78
NET INCOME	\$ 5,407.20	\$ (7,115.63)	\$ (261,372.13)	(4,833.78)

pending final audit

TOWN OF PINE RIDGE
Town Council Minutes
Regular Scheduled Meeting
December 10, 2024

Council members present: Mayor Davis, Councilwoman Urbanek and Mayor Pro-Tem Simms

Council members absent: Councilwoman Sturkie and Councilman Dinkins

Staff present: Town Administrator, Mrs. Miller and Lieutenant Robinson

Town Council Work Session

Review of Administrative Department Report

Mayor Davis reviewed the administrative department report, noting that the budget was on target for both revenue and expenditures.

Review of Police Department Administrative Report

Lieutenant Robinson presented the Pine Ridge Police Department report for November 2024:

- 10 reportable calls for service
- 2 arrests
- 5 agency assists
- 14 continuous property checks
- 22 community contacts
- 33 citations issued (5 for speeding)
- 27 warnings issued

Councilwoman Urbanek requested information on Lexington County's call response during Pine Ridge's unstaffed hours, particularly on weekends and nights. Lieutenant Robinson agreed to consult with the Chief to obtain this information.

Council Standing Committee Reports

Finance Committee - nothing to report

Property and Recreation Committee - nothing to report

Employee Grievance Committee - nothing to report

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Information Council Discussion

- Mayor Pro-Tem Simms reported that someone had driven over one of the landscape lights illuminating the Pine Ridge sign. He repositioned the lights and added reflective driveway markers to prevent future incidents.
- Mayor Davis mentioned the town council's participation in an event at the senior center, which included games, a meal, and a visit from Mr. and Mrs. Claus. He expressed appreciation for the council members, administrative staff, and police department who attended.

Mayor Davis closed the work session.

TOWN OF PINE RIDGE
Town Council Minutes
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Council members present: Mayor Davis, Councilwoman Urbanek and Mayor Pro-Tem Simms

Council members absent: Councilwoman Sturkie and Councilman Dinkins

Staff present: Town Administrator, Mrs. Miller and Lieutenant Robinson

Call to Order

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at approximately 6:51 PM.

Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

A quorum was established with the presence of Councilwoman Urbanek, Mayor Pro-Tem Simms, and Mayor Davis.

Invocation

Mayor Pro-Tem Simms delivered the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Freedom of Information Act Compliance

Mayor Davis confirmed that the meeting was duly posted and published in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act.

Approval of Minutes

November 12, 2024 Regular Scheduled Council Meeting

Motion: Councilwoman Urbanek moved to approve the minutes from the November 12, 2024 regular scheduled council meeting. Mayor Pro-Tem Simms seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

TOWN OF PINE RIDGE
Town Council Minutes
Regular Scheduled Meeting
December 10, 2024

Old Business - Christmas Parade & Tree Lighting

Mayor Davis reported on the Christmas parade and tree lighting event held on Saturday, December 7th:

- The parade started at 4:00 PM with approximately 24 participants
- Congressman Wilson participated in the parade
- The tree lighting ceremony included performances by the Airport High School chorus and Pine Ridge Middle School band
- Food was provided by Rootin' Tootin' Barbecue, with hot cocoa from Sipps
- The event received positive feedback from the community
- Mayor Davis sent thank you notes to participants
- The location of the tree was praised by Councilwoman Urbanek
- Mayor Pro-Tem Simms noted positive comments about the snowflake decorations on telephone poles
- The mayor thanked the administrative staff, police department, and Miss Julia Sircy, who switched on the tree lights

New Business

RFP2024-04: Landscape Maintenance 2025

a) Property & Recreation Committee Recommendation

Mayor Pro-Tem Simms, representing the Property and Recreation Committee, recommended accepting the bid from Yellowstone Landscaping of Lexington, South Carolina, for \$4,374.88.

b) Council Vote

Motion: Mayor Pro-Tem Simms moved to accept the bid from Yellowstone Landscaping for landscape maintenance in 2025. Councilwoman Urbanek seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mayor Davis expressed hope that the company would be able to maintain the property at the quoted price.

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December 10, 2024

RFP2024-05: Cleaning of the Municipal Complex 2025

a) Property & Recreation Committee Recommendation

Mayor Pro-Tem Simms, on behalf of the Property and Recreation Committee, recommended accepting the bid from Du Bois Cleaning of Columbia, South Carolina, for \$190 per month.

b) Council Vote

Motion: Mayor Pro-Tem Simms moved to accept the bid from Du Bois Cleaning for the municipal complex cleaning in 2025. Councilwoman Urbanek seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

It was clarified that the cleaning would be performed every other week at \$190 per month. Mayor Davis expressed hope that the selected company would complete the task at the quoted price.

Citizen's Comment Time

No citizens were present to speak, and no electronic comments were received.

Adjourn

Motion: Councilwoman Urbanek moved to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro-Tem Simms seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Viki M. Miller, Town Administrator

APPROVED:

Daniel D. Davis, Mayor

Date: _____

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF LEXINGTON) RESOLUTION 2025-01
TOWN OF PINE RIDGE)

**RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FOR THE TOWN OF PINE RIDGE, SOUTH CAROLINA
TO CERTIFY THE JURY BOX FOR THE MUNICIPAL COURT**

WHEREAS, the Pine Ridge Town Council shall serve as Jury Commissioners for the Municipal Court reference §14-25-135 of the SC Code of Laws and,

WHEREAS, the Pine Ridge Town Council must certify the Jury Roll annually and,

WHEREAS, the Jury list is composed of all names on the official voter registration list of qualified electors of Pine Ridge, as maintained by the Lexington County Registration and Elections Commission and,

WHEREAS, the Jury list has been received from the South Carolina State Election Commission in electronic format and,

WHEREAS, at the discretion of the governing body of the municipality, jurors may be drawn and summoned by the computer in the manner the Supreme Court by order directs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council for the Town of Pine Ridge that; the Jury list, as maintained by the Lexington County Registration and Elections Commission, of the registered voters residing within the Town of Pine Ridge be certified as the official Jury list of the Municipal Court for the Town of Pine Ridge.

Witness our hands and seals this 14th day of January 2025, at Pine Ridge, South Carolina.

Mayor Daniel D. Davis

Mayor Pro-tem Scott N. Simms

Councilmember Floyd W. Dinkins III

Councilmember Elizabeth S. Sturkie

Councilmember Maria J. Urbanek

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF LEXINGTON)
TOWN OF PINE RIDGE)

RESOLUTION 2025-02

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ALLOCATIONS FOR FUNDING WITH THE CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS THROUGH THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT.

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) appropriated funding to States for distribution to non-entitlement units of local government (NEUs) and the Town of Pine Ridge is a NEU, as defined by ARPA; and

WHEREAS, Fund 123, American Rescue Plan Fund, was established for receipt of the Town's allocation as well as expenditures, as appropriated by Town Council in accordance with guidance adopted by the U.S. Department of Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the Town received the first tranche of funding totaling \$291,762.12 in November of 2021, and the second tranche of \$291,762.12 in October of 2022; and

WHEREAS, Town Council adopted Resolution 2022-08, obligating State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) funds for use under revenue loss replacement and requiring expenditure of those funds to be approved by Town Council via resolution; and

WHEREAS, the SLFRF program for replacing lost revenue provides flexibility to meet local needs and may be used to pay for government services, provision of public safety and other services; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to maximize the public benefit and to adhere to the public purpose for any allocations of funds, with the attention to projects that will have a lasting effect on services provided by the Town of Pine Ridge; and

WHEREAS, Town Council has previously approved the following expenditures in SLFRF funds:

	Approved	SLFRF Funds
Resolution 2022-11	5/17/2022	\$160,599.95
Resolution 2022-12	6/14/2022	\$3,562.33
Resolution 2022-13	7/12/2022	\$36,592.67
Resolution 2022-15	10/11/2022	\$58,354.70
Resolution 2023-04	5/9/2023	\$7,838.45
Resolution 2024-03	2/13/2024	\$42,629.44
Resolution 2024-07	5/14/2024	\$44,257.00
Resolution 2024-11	6/18/2024	\$84,211.75
Resolution 2024-13	9/10/2024	\$4,205.25
Resolution 2024-14	11/12/2024	\$3,146.02
Total Expenditures		\$445,397.56

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council hereby designates the following allocations and amount of funding for the Town through the American Rescue Plan Act proceeds:

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF LEXINGTON)
TOWN OF PINE RIDGE)

RESOLUTION 2025-02

	Expense	Amount
1	PD vehicle: 2024 Dodge Durango	\$47,008.00
2	PD equipment: 2024 Dodge Durango upfit & graphics	\$8,617.33
3	PD equipment: Motorola in-car and hand-held radio	\$13,236.11
4	Christmas snowflakes (16) for outdoor holiday decoration	\$8,965.58
5	Employee service recognition	\$12,500.00
6	Christmas tree: 14 feet, topper and ornaments for annual tree lighting event	\$6,716.17
7	Camp Moore/Styx parking lot paving for public park visitors and events	\$35,396.00
8	Tree lighting & parade expenses for public event during holidays	\$5,687.49
	Total of ARPA expenditure request 11	\$138,126.68

Balance of non-allocated ARPA Funds \$0

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PINE RIDGE, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS 14TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2025.

Mayor Daniel D. Davis

Councilmember Floyd W. Dinkins III

Mayor Pro-Tem Scott N. Simms

Councilmember Elizabeth S. Sturkie

Councilmember Maria J. Urbanek

Town of Pine Ridge 2025 Meeting & Holiday Schedule

Town Council, Municipal Court, Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeal Meetings are held at:

Pine Ridge Town Hall
2757 Fish Hatchery Road
Pine Ridge, SC 29172

COUNCIL MEETING: held the second Tuesday of every month, unless it falls on a holiday. If a Public Hearing or Presentation is scheduled, the meeting begins at 6:30pm. Council Work Session begins at 6:45pm with Council Meetings immediately after. January 14, February 11, March 11, April 8, May 13, June 10, July 8, August 12, September 9, October 14, November 4 & December 9.

COUNCIL QUARTERLY WORK SESSION: held the fourth Thursday of the first month of every quarter, unless it falls on a holiday. Begins at 6:45pm. January 23, April 24, July 24, & October 23.

MUNICIPAL COURT: held the second Tuesday of every month, unless it falls on a holiday. Court begins at 9:30am. January 14, February 11, March 11, April 8, May 13, June 10, July 8, August 12, September 9, October 14, November 4. No Court in December.

PLANNING COMMISSION: held the fourth Tuesday of every month, unless it falls on a holiday. Meeting begins at 6:30pm. January 28, February 25, March 25, April 22, May 27, June 24, July 22, August 26, September 23, October 28 & November 18. No December meeting.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS: held whenever a request is submitted.

SCHEDULED HOLIDAYS: January 1, January 20, February 17, May 9, May 26, June 19, July 4, September 1, November 11, November 27, November 28, December 24, December 25 & December 26.

As part of our five-year cycle to maintain the safety, resiliency and reliability of the electric system, crews will begin work in your neighborhood to safeguard power lines from overgrown trees and vegetation. In the next few weeks, **XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX** will work along our rights of way to ensure safe clearances by **removing potential hazards such as dead or damaged trees, overgrown limbs and other forms of vegetation.** Trees that have grown too close to overhead powerlines are a safety hazard and the leading cause of power outages. Crews will remove debris as soon as possible, and some cleanup work may be scheduled after trimming is complete.

In some areas where volunteer woody vegetation is present, a follow-up herbicide treatment may be required. Herbicide is generally not applied to lawns or managed areas.

Questions? Email SCContactUs@DominionEnergySC.com
Phone **1-800-251-7234**



Scan code to view answers to **FAQs** at:
[DominionEnergy.com/Trees](https://www.dominionenergy.com/trees)

Mail Code XXX
Dominion Energy South Carolina
220 Operation Way
Cayce, SC 29033

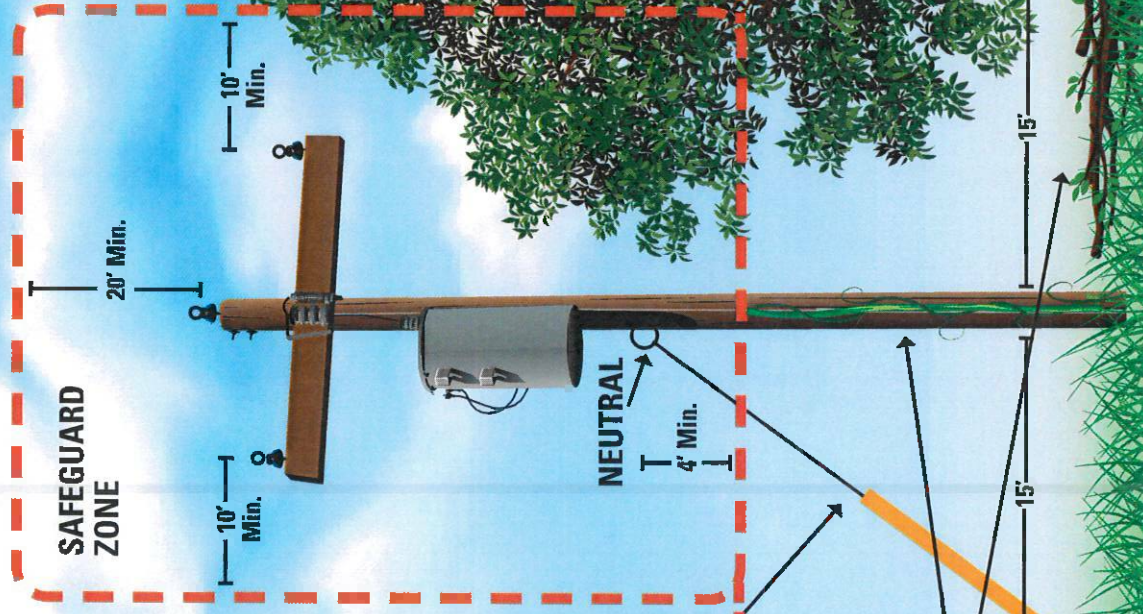


**Dominion
Energy®**



DOMINION ENERGY SOUTH CAROLINA DISTRIBUTION LINE CLEARING

THREE PHASE LINE



SAFEGUARD ZONE

20' Min.

10' Min.

10' Min.

NEUTRAL

4' Min.

15'

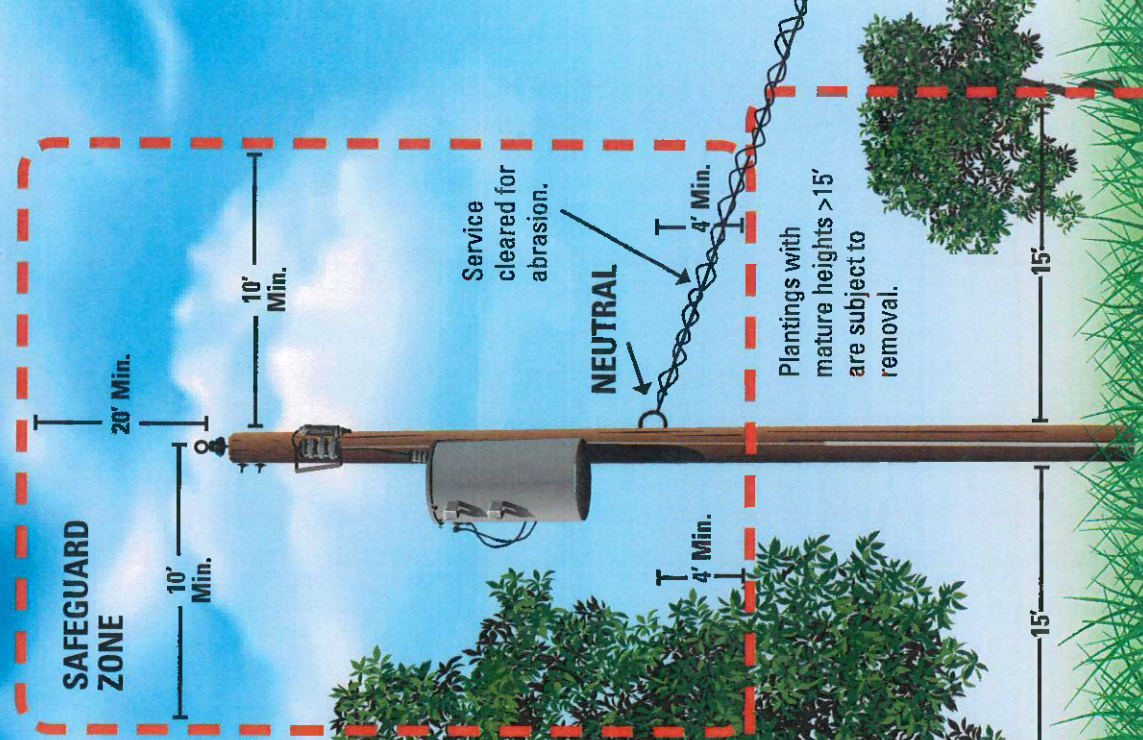
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Vegetation cleared from guy wires and anchors.

Volunteer woody vegetation and vines will be cut, and/or treated with herbicide.

* For illustrative purposes.
Not to scale.

SINGLE PHASE LINE



SAFEGUARD ZONE

20' Min.

10' Min.

10' Min.

NEUTRAL

4' Min.

15'

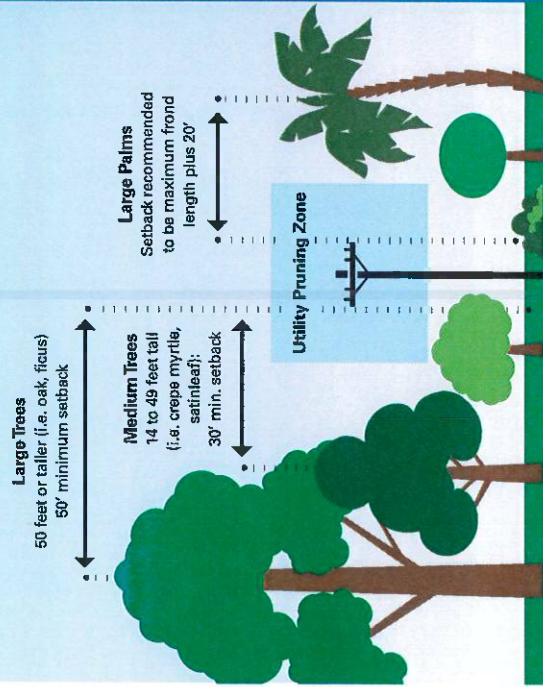
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Service cleared for abrasion.

Plantings with mature heights > 15' are subject to removal.

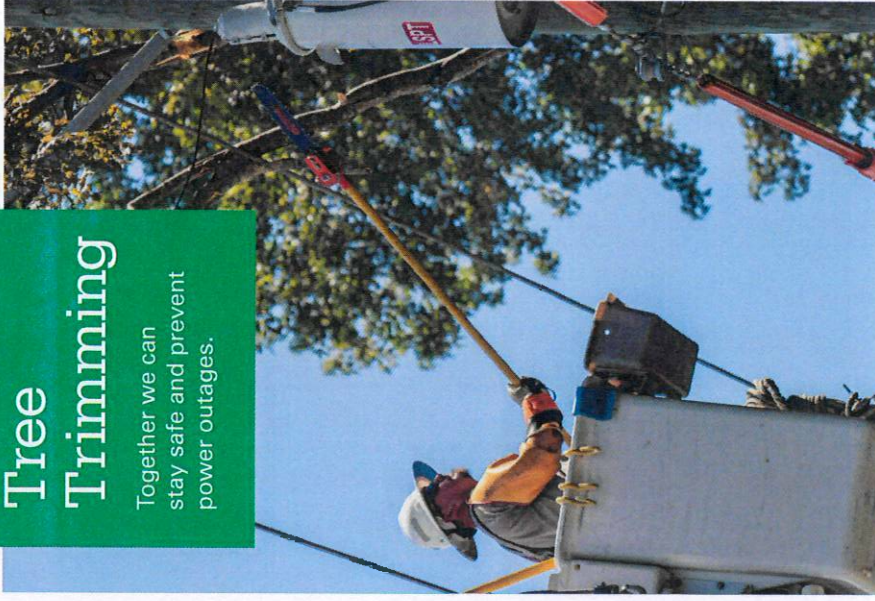
What can you do?

One of the most important things businesses and homeowners can do is remember and follow our **Right Tree, Right Place** guidelines. If you're planting trees on your property, look up and note the location of power lines. Before you plant, keep in mind the potential growth of the trees (see diagram below). Think about how your tree will impact existing utility lines as it grows taller, wider and deeper. Keeping trees away from power lines means that, in the event they blow over or tree limbs become loose, they're much less likely to hit a power line and knock out power. This also keeps debris farther away from the lines which helps speed up restoration efforts after a storm. If you notice a tree or limb that is in need of trimming, you can submit a request to us online when you sign in to your Dominion Energy account. Don't wait for a hurricane or other major event. No amount of trimming can substitute for smart landscaping and responsible maintenance of trees and other vegetation by property owners.



Tree Trimming

Together we can stay safe and prevent power outages.



For more information about Tree Trimming in South Carolina, visit [DominionEnergy.com/trees](https://www.dominionenergy.com/trees)



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Right tree, right place.

When considering what tree and where to plant it, remember the phrase “Right Tree, Right Place.” Choosing the right tree depends on many factors including soil type, climate, and the amount of space the tree will have to grow both underground and overhead without any interference.

- 1 Where are the power lines?** (1A) Power lines are usually located at the top of the utility pole, farthest from the ground. (1B) Cable and phone lines run closer to the ground, below power lines.
- 2 Pick the right tree for the right place.** Consider how tall, wide, and deep your tree will be at maturity. Then, prior to planting, make sure trees are not planted within any utility rights of way. Trees planted under or beside an electric line inside the rights of way can be dangerous and are subject to pruning and/or removal. For a tree to achieve its natural shape and thrive it is important to choose a suitable site that does not have any interference under or above the ground.
- 3 Keep the transformers clear.** Keep any bushes or trees away from the transformer boxes to allow for maintenance and repairs. Maintain at least 12 feet of clear zone in the front and at least 4 feet in the back and sides.
- 4 Call Before You Dig.** If you'll be performing work in your yard that involves digging, South Carolina law requires you contact 811 before you begin to locate, and mark buried utility lines. Call at least four business days before you begin to avoid accidentally hitting underground utility lines. This free service helps keep everyone safe.

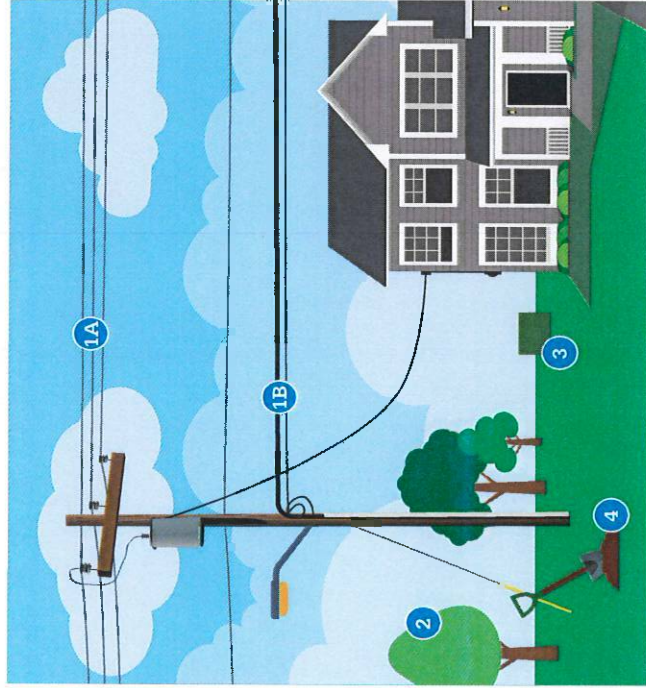
Together we can prevent power outages.

Did you know trees are among the most common causes of outages and flickers, especially during storms? When trees and other forms of vegetation contact overhead power lines, this can cause interruptions to your service. Maintaining the area around the power lines is an important process to ensure you receive the safe, reliable service you expect and deserve.

- ✓ You can request tree trimming on your property when you sign in to your account. You can also upload a picture showing us the area and the tree of concern.
- ✓ You can view our online tree trimming map that shows where and when tree trimming will be done in your area.

REMEMBER...

Only qualified utility line clearance contractors who meet OSHA qualifications are legally permitted to work within 10 feet of distribution power lines or work on a tree that has branches within 10 feet of distribution power lines. To learn more, visit [OSHA.gov](https://www.osha-southcarolina.gov). Safety is our top priority. We urge property owners and contractors to notify us in advance of beginning any work near overhead lines to ensure a safe work zone.

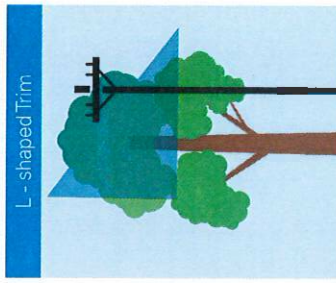
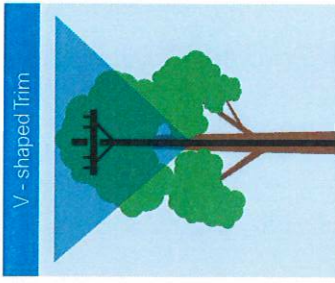


How trees are trimmed.

The purpose of tree trimming is to protect the power lines and safely maintain service reliability for you.

Dominion Energy's maintenance trimming is done on cycles typically ranging from four to five years. Trained line-clearing professionals follow ANSI – A300 Standards, which are the generally accepted industry standards for tree care practices. These professionals consider the tree structure and minimum clearance requirements before pruning.

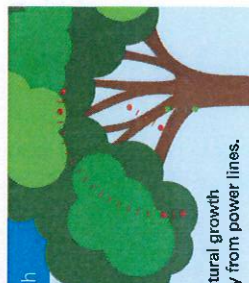
We use directional pruning to guide tree growth away from power lines. The diagram below shows a typical “V” shaped approach on the left; on the right is an “L” shaped trim. We may use other types of trimming methods as well.



Proper Pruning for Tree Health

NO
Topping trees or leaving branch stubs severely damages trees and encourages rapid regrowth.

YES
Pruning cuts should be made just outside the branch collar to respect natural growth patterns and direct future growth away from power lines.



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AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN WITH CERTAIN AMENDMENTS

WHEREAS, Section 5-7-290 of the South Carolina Code requires that ordinances be codified and indexed and available for public inspection at reasonable times; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined to adopt a new codification of the Town ordinances by this Ordinance, and to provide for certain amendments as specified,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED by the Town of Pine Ridge, South Carolina, in Council duly assembled and by the authority thereof, that

A new Article I ("Adoption of Code") of the Town Code, as set out below, which references and incorporates the new codification of ordinances for the Town, is hereby adopted so as to implement the new codification of ordinances, including those amendments described and incorporated therein in Section 1-6 (B) by the attached Schedule A. The new Article I of the Town Code shall read as follows:

ARTICLE I
Adoption of Code

§ 1-1. Code adopted; continuation of existing provisions.

In accordance with S.C. Code Ann. § 5-7-290, as amended, the ordinances of the Town, as codified and consisting of Chapters 1 through 300 are hereby approved, adopted, and enacted as the Code of Ordinances of the Town, hereinafter referred to as the "Code." The provisions of the Code, insofar as they are substantively the same as those of ordinances in force immediately prior to the enactment of the Code by this ordinance, are intended as a continuation of such ordinances and not as new enactments. This ordinance and the Code adopted hereby shall supersede and replace the Code of the Town as codified through December 31, 2020.

§ 1-2. Code on file; additions and amendments.

- A. A copy of the Code has been filed in the office of the Town Clerk and shall remain there for use and examination by the public until final action is taken on this ordinance. Following adoption of this ordinance such copy shall be certified to by the Clerk of the Town by impressing thereon the Seal of the Town, as provided by law, and such certified copy shall remain on file in the office of the Town Clerk, to be made available to persons desiring to examine the same during all times while said Code is in effect.
- B. Additions or amendments to the Code, when adopted in such form as to indicate the intent of the Town Council to make them a part thereof, shall be deemed to be incorporated into such Code so that reference to the "Code of the Town" shall be understood and intended to include such additions and

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amendments. Nothing contained in this ordinance shall affect the status of any ordinance contained in the Code, and such ordinances may be amended, deleted or changed from time to time as the Town Council deems desirable.

§ 1-3. Severability.

Each section of this ordinance and of the Code and every part of each section is an independent section or part of a section, and the holding of any section or a part thereof to be unconstitutional, void or ineffective for any cause shall not be deemed to affect the validity or constitutionality of any other sections or parts thereof.

§ 1-4. Repealer.

Repeal of inconsistent enactments. All ordinances of a general and permanent nature, or parts of such ordinances, inconsistent with the provisions contained in the Code adopted by this ordinance are hereby repealed; provided, however, that such repeal shall only be to the extent of such inconsistency, and any valid legislation of the Town which is not in conflict with the provisions of the Code shall be deemed to remain in full force and effect.

§ 1-5. Enactments saved from repeal; matters not affected.

The repeal of ordinances provided for in § 1-4 of this ordinance shall not affect the following classes of ordinances, rights and obligations, which are hereby expressly saved from repeal:

- A. Any right or liability established, accrued or incurred under any legislative provision of the Town prior to the effective date of this ordinance or any action or proceeding brought for the enforcement of such right or liability.
- B. Any offense or act committed or done before the effective date of this ordinance in violation of any legislative provision of the Town or any penalty, punishment or forfeiture which may result therefrom.
- C. Any prosecution, indictment, action, suit or other proceeding pending or any judgment rendered prior to the effective date of this ordinance brought pursuant to any legislative provision of the Town.
- D. Any agreement entered into or any franchise, license, right, easement or privilege heretofore granted or conferred by the Town.
- E. Any ordinance of the Town providing for the laying out, opening, altering, widening, relocating, straightening, establishing grade, changing name, improvement, acceptance or vacation of any right-of-way, easement, street, road, highway, park or other public place within the Town or any portion thereof.
- F. Any ordinance of the Town appropriating money or transferring funds, promising or guaranteeing the payment of money or authorizing the issuance and delivery of any bond of the Town or other instruments or evidence of the Town's indebtedness.

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- G. Ordinances authorizing the purchase, sale, lease or transfer of property, or any lawful contract, agreement or obligation.
- H. The levy or imposition of special assessments or charges.
- I. The annexation or dedication of property.
- J. Any ordinance relating to salaries and compensation.
- K. Any ordinance amending the Zoning Map.
- L. Any ordinance relating to or establishing a pension plan or pension fund for Town employees.
- M. Any ordinance or portion of an ordinance establishing a specific fee amount for any license, permit or service obtained from the Town.
- N. Any currently effective ordinance adopting or amending the Comprehensive Plan.
- O. Any ordinance adopted subsequent to April 9, 2024.

§ 1-6. Changes in previously adopted legislation.

- A. In compiling and preparing the ordinances for publication as the Code of the Town, certain grammatical changes and other minor, nonsubstantive changes were made in one or more of said pieces of legislation. It is the intention of the Town Council that all such changes be adopted as part of the Code as if the ordinances had been previously formally amended to read as such.
- B. In addition, the amendments and/or additions as set forth in Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof are made herewith, to become effective upon the effective date of this ordinance. (Chapter and section number references are to the ordinances as they have been renumbered and appear in the Code.)
- C. Throughout the Code:
 - (1) The term “watchman” is changed to “watch person.”
 - (2) The term “Chairman” is changed to “Chairperson.”
 - (3) The term “Councilman” is changed to “Councilperson.”
 - (4) The term “Zoning Administrator” is changed to “Planning Official.”
 - (5) The term “Clerk/Treasurer” is changed to “Clerk.”
 - (6) Gendered pronouns such as “he,” “his,” or “him” are changed to a “gender-neutral” style such as “he/she,” “his/her,” or “him/her.”

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§ 1-7. Titles and headings; editor's notes.

- A. Chapter and article titles, headings and titles of sections and other divisions of the Code are inserted in the Code and may be inserted in supplements to the Code for the convenience of persons using the Code and are not part of the legislation.
- B. Editor's notes indicating sources of sections, giving other information or referring to the statutes or to other parts of the Code are inserted in the Code and may be inserted in supplements to the Code for the convenience of persons using the Code and are not part of the legislation.

§ 1-8. Penalties for tampering with Code.

Any person who alters or tampers with the Code of the Town in any manner whatsoever which will cause the legislation of the Town to be misrepresented thereby, or who violates any other provision of this ordinance, shall be guilty of a violation and shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to a fine of not more than \$500 or imprisonment for a term of not more than 30 days, or both.

This Ordinance, including its attached Schedule A, shall become effective upon second reading adoption.

DULY ADOPTED THIS 11th day of February, 2025, under the corporate seal of the Town of Pine Ridge.

First Reading: January 14, 2025
Second Reading: February 11, 2025

Mayor Daniel D. Davis

Mayor Pro-Tem Scott N. Simms

Councilmember Floyd W. Dinkins III

Councilmember Elizabeth S. Sturkie

Councilmember Maria J. Urbanek

**Town of Pine Ridge, South Carolina
Code Adoption Ordinance**

**Schedule A
Specific Revisions at Time of Adoption of Code**

Chapter 17, Elections

Section 17-4C is amended to read as follows: “Special elections to fill vacant positions shall be held pursuant to S.C. Code § 7-13-190.”

Chapter 58, Procurement

Section 58-1 is amended to read as follows: “The provisions of this article are adopted pursuant to S.C. Code 1976 § 11-35-5320 and may be referred to as the ‘Town Procurement Code.’ The Procurement Code shall be implemented by the Town Administrator who is authorized to issue regulations for procurement consistent with this Code.”

Chapter 70, Town Council

Article I, General Provisions.

Section 70-6 is amended to add a phrase as indicated: “. . . and impose a curfew during such state of emergency pursuant to Chapter 123, Curfew, of this Code.”

Chapter 116, Business Licensing

Section 116-19 is amended to read as follows: “Any person violating any provision of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of an offense and shall be subject to a fine of up to \$500 plus any court assessments or imprisonment for not more than 30 days or both, upon conviction. Each day of violation shall be considered a separate offense. Punishment for violation shall not relieve the offender of liability for delinquent taxes, penalties, and costs provided for in this chapter.”

Chapter 137, Fire Prevention

Original § 2-203, Construction and repair in fire district, is repealed.

Chapter 142, Floodplain Management

Section 142-4A is amended to read as follows: “This chapter shall apply to all areas of special flood hazard within the jurisdiction of the Town of Pine Ridge as identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in its Flood Insurance Study, dated July 5, 2018, and other supporting data that are hereby adopted by reference and declared to be a part of this chapter.”

Chapter 181, Offenses

- A. The title of Article II, Burglar Alarms, is amended to read “Alarm Systems; False Alarms.”
- B. Section 181-35. Subsection B(14) is amended to read as follows:
The operation of such devices which cause noise due to the explosion of operating gases or fluids is prohibited at all times, unless such blower, fan or device is equipped with a muffler device sufficient to deaden such noise.

Chapter 215, Stormwater Management

Section 215-1 is amended to revise, in Subsection A, the reference to the Floodplain Regulations to refer to Town Code Chapter 142, Floodplain Management, and, in Subsection B, to provide that the copy of the County Stormwater Ordinance and Land Development Manual are on file with the Clerk.

Chapter 300, Zoning

- A. Section 300-1 is amended to read: “The Zoning and Land Development Ordinance is set forth in this Chapter 300.”
- B. Section 300-41, LI Conditional Uses table. Subsection c.(2)(c) of this table is amended as indicated: “For term up to 1 year; may be renewed once.”
- C. Section 300-43, BI Conditional Use table. Subsection e.(2)(c) of this table is amended as indicated: “For term up to 1 year; may be renewed once.”
- D. In the table in Section 300-79, the value under Gross Floor Area reading “100,000 – 159,000” is amended to read “100,000 to 159,999.”
- E. Part 9, Signs, of Chapter 300 is amended to change each instance of “the Administrator” to “the Planning Official.”
- E. Section 300-87G(2) is amended to read as follows: “Freestanding signs on outlying parcels that do not have direct traffic access to the adjacent roadway will be permitted a sign half the size authorized in § 300-86D.”
- F. A new § 300-113, Tree protection, is added as follows:
An existing healthy tree greater than 10 inches in DBH (diameter breast high) is a valuable natural resource by virtue of age, size and contribution to the environment, and must be preserved and protected to the extent practical and feasible. Trees 16 inches in DBH shall be flagged and shown on a required plat or site plan for development. No more than 25% of said trees shall be removed from a lot, except by variance granted by the Board of Zoning Appeals. In the event a variance is granted, each tree removed shall be replaced by a tree at least two DBH in a location meeting required landscaping.
- G. Section 300-136A(6) is amended to read as follows:
“Town Council may adopt or reject the amendment ordinance on second reading at least six days after first reading. Map amendments may be adopted or rejected for all or any portion of the property; however, a zoning district designation which was not included in the public notices shall not be adopted. An amendment may be withdrawn in writing by the initiator at any time prior to final action by Town Council. A withdrawn amendment

is not subject to the twelve-month limitation in § 300-134B. However, any resubmittal of a revised request shall require payment of all costs as if the resubmittal were a new application.”