

Pinson City Council Minutes  
December 7, 2006 - 7:00 p.m.  
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session at the Pinson City Hall on Thursday, December 7, 2006. Mayor Sanders led the invocation and Councilor Dawn Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**Roll Call:** Marie Turner, City Clerk, called roll of Pinson City Council with the following council members present:

Mayor Sanders  
Councilor Tanner  
Councilor Cochran  
Councilor Shelnett  
Councilor Churchwell  
Councilor McCain

**Minutes:** Councilor Shelnett made a motion to waive the reading of the October 20, 2006, minutes. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion.

Mayor Sanders called for all opposed to say “no”, all in favor say “aye.”

Councilor Cochran made a motion to accept the minutes as written of the October 20, 2006, meeting. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion.

Mayor Sanders called for all opposed to say “no”, all in favor say “aye.” Mayor Sanders said “Let the record reflect that both motions were unanimous.”

Councilor Shelnett made a motion to waive the reading of the November 2, 2006, minutes. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion.

Mayor Sanders called for all opposed to say “no”, all in favor say “aye.”

Councilor Cochran made a motion to accept the minutes as written of the November 2, 2006, meeting. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion.

Mayor Sanders called for all opposed to say “no”, all in favor say “aye.” Mayor Sanders said “Let the record reflect that both motions were unanimous.”

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance:** Councilor Tanner made a motion to pay miscellaneous bills in the amount of \$7,906.65. Liberty Names of America for \$40.00; Best Insurance Agency for \$91.00; Bellsouth for \$285.51; Stewart & Treglown for \$4,100.00; Trussville Utilities for \$171.24; Nohab for \$1,056.00; Gabriel Electrical for \$680.00; Center Point Fire District for \$231.00; Nextel for \$169.70; C N A for \$50.00; Payroll for \$871.97; Joy McCain(reimbursement for CVS and McCain Uniform) for \$160.23.

Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. As there was no discussion Mayor Sanders called for all opposed say “no”, all in favor say “aye.” Mayor Sanders said “Let the record reflect that the vote was unanimous.”

**Motion to pay bills passed unanimously.**

**Annexation:** Councilor Churchwell presented an ordinance annexing certain territory into the Corporate Limits of the City of Pinson, Alabama. Owner, Jeanette Hunter, located on Highway 75. Councilor Churchwell recommends this property be adopted into the City of Pinson. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion.

Mayor Sanders asked for unanimous consent to consider with the following results: Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes, Councilor Cochran-yes, Councilor Shelnut-yes, Councilor Churchwell-yes, Councilor McCain-yes.

Mayor Sanders asked for a roll call vote on the main ordinance with the following results: Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes, Councilor Cochran-yes, Councilor Shelnut-yes, Councilor Churchwell-yes, Councilor McCain -yes.

Mayor Sanders, ordinance adopted unanimously as Ordinance number 2006-38.

Councilor Churchwell presented an ordinance annexing certain territory into the Corporate Limits of the City of Pinson, Alabama. Owner, Audrey B. Camp, located at 5525 Dewey Heights Road. Councilor Churchwell recommends this property be adopted into the City of Pinson. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion.

Mayor Sanders asked for unanimous consent to consider with the following results: Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes, Councilor Cochran-yes, Councilor Shelnut-yes, Councilor Churchwell-yes, Councilor McCain-yes.

Mayor Sanders asked for a roll call vote on the main ordinance with the following results: Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes, Councilor Cochran-yes, Councilor Shelnut-yes, Councilor Churchwell-yes, Councilor McCain -yes.

Mayor Sanders, ordinance adopted unanimously as Ordinance number 2006-39.

**Public Safety:** None.

**Education:** Mayor Sanders reported that Mrs. Hogue informed him that 16 of the 34 students enrolled in the Dual Enrollment program wish to continue in the fall. Mayor Sanders stated that the next education meeting will be in January.

**Zoning and Beautification:** Councilor McCain reported that the Christmas Parade is this Saturday,(December 9, 2006), and there are almost 100 entries in this years parade. Councilor McCain stated that the City had received several monetary donations for the float contest. Councilor McCain made a motion to pay Santa(Jr. Williams) \$50.00 for his services in the parade festivities. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion.

Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. As there was no discussion Mayor Sanders called for all opposed say “no”, all in favor say “aye.”

Mayor Sanders said “Let the record reflect that the vote was unanimous.”

**Mayors Report:** Mayor Sanders reported that the Planning Commission meeting went very well. The Planning Commission has set every 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month as their regular meetings, beginning in January 2007. John Harrison was elected Chairman, and Wayne Sellers was elected Vice Chairman. The Planning commission is ready to get started.

**Old Business:** Mayor Sanders stated that Council has now had time to review the Audit as performed by Stewart & Treglown. Councilor Cochran made a motion to adopt the audit. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion.

Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. As there was no discussion Mayor Sanders called for all opposed say “no”, all in favor say “aye.”

Mayor Sanders said “Let the record reflect that the vote was unanimous.” Mayor Sanders stated that he will send the Audit to the State Examiners office and other agencies as required.

Councilor Cochran made a motion to purchase a Video System for Officer Hall’s patrol car. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Councilor Cochran stated that as discussed at a previous meeting, the County does not provide this equipment for Officer Hall. Councilor Cochran added that the amount of revenue collected by the traffic tickets written is enough to pay for the system.

Mayor Sanders called for any additional discussion. As there was no other discussion Mayor Sanders called for all opposed say “no”, all in favor say “aye.” Mayor Sanders said “Let the record reflect that the vote was unanimous.”

Councilor Shelnut made a motion to adopt the Vehicle Policy as written. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. As there was no discussion Mayor Sanders called for all opposed say “no”, all in favor say “aye.” Mayor Sanders said “Let the record reflect that the vote was unanimous.”

**New Business:** Councilor Cochran stated that he thought it appropriate that the current seated Council should establish a salary guideline for future Councils and Mayors. Councilor Cochran explained that most cities do pay Council and Mayors, and he felt that salaries need to be adopted. Councilor Cochran stated that he would investigate other cities to help determine what salary guidelines need to be adopted by our city. Councilor Churchwell added that he thought it very appropriate and that this council should handle this for future councils.

**Guest:**

Gary Miller, Chief Civil Engineer with SWMA, (Storm Water Management). Mr. Miller explained that the City of Pinson is a member of SWMA. SWMA is an educational endeavor to educate public officials of what can be done to improve the water quality of

runoff getting into the storm sewer system and then eventually into our streams, rivers and lakes. This is done in two ways.

1. Posters to explain what a storm sewer inlet is.
2. Educate the community that yard waste, leaves, etc., adds to the degradation of storm water and stops up storm sewers. Additionally, SWMA produces brochures with helpful hints as to what citizens can do daily to keep storm sewers clean. Mr. Miller, will leave the posters and brochures for the City officials to distribute.

Mayor Sanders introduced Phillip Richardson. Mr. Richardson explained information regarding the BARD Plan and additional provisions that have been adopted. Mr. Richardson tried to summarize the differences in the ordinances regarding Flood Plan. Councilor Churchwell stated that this is the minimum standards required, but that we could take some of the more stringent material and add to this minimum requirement.

**Public Comment:** None.

Councilor Cochran moved to adjourn. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for all opposed to say “no”, all in favor say “aye”. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marie Turner, City Clerk

**December 7, 2006 Minutes Adopted \_\_\_\_\_**