

Council Minutes  
March 6, 2008 - 7:00 p.m.  
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session in Council Chambers at 6230 Dry Creek Lane on Thursday, March 6, 2008. Mayor Sanders led the invocation 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 Churchwell  
Councilor McCain

**Absent:**  
Councilor Shelnutt

**Minutes:**

Councilor Cochran made a motion to accept the corrected minutes of the February 7, 2008, as written. 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 the motion passed unanimously.”

Councilor Tanner made a motion to waive the reading of the February 21, 2008, 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 February 21, 2008, 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 passed unanimously.”

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance:** Councilor Tanner made a motion to pay miscellaneous bills in the amount of \$20,238.51. AT&T for \$449.52; Nextel for \$219.46; Trussville Utilities for \$1,132.71; PC Doctor for \$322.45; Moore Coal Co. for \$60.50; B/W & Sons Lawn Maint. for \$55.00; Hand Arendall for \$4,939.41; Alabama Assoc.of Municipal Clerks&Admin. for \$30.00; Mayer Electric for \$491.01; Payroll for \$2,348.93; Lyle Arrington for \$65.00; Graphic Design for \$124.52; RTS Const. for \$10,000.00. 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 motion passes unanimously”.

**Annexation:** Councilor Churchwell presented an ordinance annexing certain territory into the Corporate Limits of the City of Pinson, Alabama. Owners, Paul Dwight & Marri Michael Davis and Jerry L. & Annie R. Turner, located at 6737 Hickory Trail and 5557 Dewey Heights Road. Councilor Churchwell recommends this property be annexed into the City of Pinson. Councilor McCain 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 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 Churchwell-yes; Councilor McCain-yes.

**Mayor Sanders, ordinance adopted unanimously as Ordinance number 2008-11.**

Councilor Churchwell presented a Referendum Resolution. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders call for any discussion. Councilor Churchwell mentioned some of the areas included in the referendum, Foodgiant Shopping Center; part of Agape Baptist; Hometown Bank; Bellsouth Building; part of Pinson Elementary School grounds. Mayor Sanders asked for a roll call vote on the resolution with the following results: Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Cochran-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes; Councilor McCain-yes.

**Mayor Sanders, resolution adopted unanimously as Resolution number 08-04.**

**Public Safety:** Councilor Cochran made a motion to authorize payment of reward money for the information and criminal conviction of the person(s) responsible for the Graffiti destruction in the City. 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 motion passed unanimously.”

**Education:**

Mayor Sanders reported that he and Councilor Tanner attended the Classroom makeover at Pinson Elementary.

Mayor Sanders asked Attorney Black to address council regarding allowing the Band Boosters to use the parking lot of 4410 Main Street for a fundraiser. Attorney Black explained that the City could allow this legally however, Council might consider establishing policies for the future. Attorney Black also suggested that the City check with its insurance carrier as to any liability.

Councilor Cochran made a motion to allow the Band Boosters to use the parking lot of 4410 Main Street for their fundraiser this year. 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 motion passes with the Mayor abstaining”.

Mayor Sanders stated that he had failed to recognize any Pre-Council comment and at this time suspended rules to allow Pre Council comment.

Angie Masters, 5321 Willow Ridge Lane. Asked Council to reconsider their vote to advertise Cityfest in The Pinson News, and to consider advertising with the Birmingham News.

Mayor Sanders reinstated rules.

**Enhancements:**

Councilor McCain made a motion to authorize advertising Cityfest in The Birmingham News at a cost of \$300.00. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Mayor Sanders called for all opposed say “no”, all in favor say “aye.” Mayor Sanders said “Let the record reflect that the motion passed unanimously.”

Mayor Sanders stated that he had been checking into some summer activities for the City, one being Movies in the Park. Councilor Tanner stated that she thought is was a good idea, and asked where this would be held. Mayor Sanders stated that had not been decided yet. Councilor Churchwell stated that he thought it was a good idea but that it may be too late for this year. Mayor Sanders said he would look into it and get the information together for council.

**Mayors Report:**

Mayor Sanders reported that the destruction part of the construction at 4410 was over.

Councilor Cochran made a motion regarding a change order for the doors; entrance to Council Chambers, conference room and Mayors office should all be double doors. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Councilor Churchwell thought it was a good idea to do this now before construction was complete and that it would give it a better appearance. Mayor Sanders called for all opposed say “no”, all in favor say “aye.” Mayor Sanders said “Let the record reflect that the motion passed unanimously.”

**Old Business:**

Councilor Cochran offered an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2005-19 relating to the prohibition of certain temporary signage in public rights of way. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Mayor Sanders called for all opposed say “no”, all in favor say “aye.”

**Mayor Sanders, ordinance adopted, with the Mayor abstaining, as Ordinance number 2008-12.**

**New Business:**

Mayor Sanders offered an ordinance numbering Council places for first introduction to be considered by Council.

Mayor Sanders suspended rules to allow special guest, Judge Lawley, Jeffco Drug Court to speak.

Mayor Sanders reinstated rules.

Councilor Cochran mentioned that he had given Council copies of several different City Seals to choose from for a City Flag.

**Public Comment:**

1.) Pete Chandler, 4450 Silver Lake Road. The reward that was offered for the Graffiti offenders worked so well, could we also offer a reward for information on the "Hit List" at the High School?

Mayor Sanders stated that we would ask about that possibility.

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.

Adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marie Turner, City Clerk

**March 6, 2008 Minutes Adopted \_\_\_\_\_**