

Council Minutes
June 19, 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, June 19, 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 Shelnut
Councilor Churchwell
Councilor McCain

Minutes:

Councilor Shelnut made a motion to waive the reading of the June 5, 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 June 5, 2008, meeting. Councilor Tanner 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 \$67,440.85. Alabama Power for \$1,383.03; Lyle Arrington for \$415.00; BJC Animal Control for \$1,040.00; Regions Visa for \$648.42; Jefferson county Finance Department for \$25,225.70; Birmingham Water Works for \$126.13; Marie Turner for \$69.66; John Churchwell for \$15.24; Hand Arendall for \$4,449.86; Mayer Electric for \$107.05; Music Alley for \$2,934.50; Paul Pitts for \$1,200.00; B/W & Sons Lawn Maint. for \$660.00; P.V.Y.A. for \$1,506.00; FLIX for \$1,400.00; AVBCO for \$1,493.00; Regions for \$3,854.18; Campbell’s Paving for \$16,250.00; Supreme Lawn Care for \$550.00; Alabama Power for \$122.08; Call-A-Haul for \$1,081.00; John Harrison for \$120.00. 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 passed unanimously”.

Councilor Tanner made a motion to adopt the City of Pinson 2008-2009 Budget. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Councilor Shelnut made a motion to amend the budget to include P.H.C.C. as a recreational contract at \$6.00 per member. Mayor Sanders suspended rules. Councilor Shelnut ask Phil Sims the number of members at P.H.C.C. Mr. Sims was not aware of that number. Mayor Sanders stated that the budget was only a projection for the year, so

we could adopt a contract at a later time. Councilor Shelnett withdrew the motion. Mayor Sanders called for further discussion. As there was no further 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”.

Councilor Churchwell made a motion that the Mayor and Councilor Tanner work to renew the CD to the best interest of the City. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Councilor Shelnett suggested checking with Hometown Bank to see if they can be competitive. 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”.

Public Safety: Councilor Cochran reported that VFW Road has been paved and it looks great.

Councilor Cochran mentioned that he is looking over a Vicious Dog Ordinance and will present it to the Mayor and Council at a later date.

Education: Mayor Sanders mentioned that the Board of Education will hold a Town Hall meeting in August.

Enhancements: Councilor McCain announced that the next Movie in the Park will be held on June 20, 2008, at 8:00 p.m. at P.H.C.C. The movie that will be shown is “Horton Hears a Who”. Councilor McCain added that P.H.C.C. will host this event rain or shine.

Mayors Report: Mayor Sanders announced that he will post the Notice of Election on July 1, 2008.

Mayor Sanders declared that there will be a live auction held on July 21, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at 4410 Main Street, to sale the abandoned car located at 4410 Main Street.

Councilor Cochran made a motion to authorize registration and expenses for Councilor McCain’s attendance of the Auntie Litter Conference at Samford University on August 12th & 13th, 2008. 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”.

Old Business:

Mayor Sanders and Councilor Churchwell reported on their attendance of the Newton Duke Ceremony. Both Mayor Sanders and Councilor Churchwell reported that it was an honor to represent the community at this ceremony.

New Business: Councilor Churchwell offered a resolution to establish the use of Electronic Vote Counting Devices. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Mayor Sanders called for unanimous consent to consider with the following results: Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Cochran-yes; Councilor Shelnett-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes; Councilor

McCain-yes. Mayor Sanders called for a roll call vote on the resolution with the following results: Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Cochran-yes; Councilor Shelnett-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes; Councilor McCain-yes.

Mayor Sanders, resolution adopted unanimously as Resolution number 08-15.

Councilor Cochran reported that he attended the ribbon cutting ceremony at the Collins Senior Center located at Jefferson State Community College. Councilor Cochran stated that Commissioner Collins encouraged the Senior Citizens of Pinson to take advantage of this facility.

Councilor Tanner announced that the P.V.Y.A. 9 year old baseball Allstar team will have a Pancake Breakfast Saturday, June 21, 2008, at Golden Rule from 7:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

Mayor Sanders recognized Special Guest Greg Morris, to present a Commercial Development report.

Mr. Morris reported on business closings and the economic recession. People are spending their money on gasoline and groceries. The Real Estate Convention in Las Vegas this year was down 30%. Mr. Morris mentioned that he had a retailer that he thought would be great for this community that he will be bringing to the Mayor and Council in Executive Session. Mr. Morris also explained how he determines what businesses to approach for the area.

Mayor Sanders suspended rule for questions.

1) What are we doing in Pinson to prepare for when things get better?

Mr. Morris – The retail sites are here on highway 79 & highway 75. We will have to clean up the area to attract businesses.

Mayor Sanders reinstated rules.

Public Comment:

1.) Phil Sims. The difference in P.H.C.C. and the Alabama Butterbean Festival. P.H.C.C. and the A.B.B.F. are 2 separate accounting systems. The money in A.B.B.F. does not go into the P.H.C.C. operating fund. The money that we have been raising for the A.B.B.F. has been coming from PHCC because we feel like it's a city event.

Councilor Cochran made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss Trade and Commerce. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Attorney Greg Morris certified that the Executive Session was for the purpose of discussing Trade and Commerce. Mayor Sanders called for all opposed say "no", all in favor say "aye." Mayor Sanders stated that we will excuse ourselves leisurely; we will not reassemble for any function other than to adjourn.

Mayor Sanders stated we are hereby called out of Executive Session.

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

Adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Turner, City Clerk

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