

Council Minutes
June 18, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session in Council Chambers at 4410 Main Street on Thursday, June 18, 2009. Mayor Sanders led the invocation. Councilor Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Sanders appointed, Anje May, as acting City Clerk.

Roll Call: Anje May, acting 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 Shelnut

Minutes: Councilor Churchwell made a motion to waive the reading of the June 4, 2009, 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 4, 2009, 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 \$21,089.79. Lyle Arrington for \$95.00; Alabama Power for \$1,138.44; Total Printing for \$155.00; Regions-Visa for \$4,311.49; Birmingham Water Works for \$53.79; Ed’s Lock & Key for \$240.00; Best Insurance-Clerk Bond for \$200.00; BJC Animal Control for \$827.50; B/W & Sons Lawn Maintenance for \$840.00; Hand Arendall for \$4,483.05; Larry Taylor Electric for \$1,754.50; Alabama Power for \$224.58; B/W & Sons Lawn Maintenance for \$350.00; Stan Godfrey-median mowing for \$1,550.00; Call-A-Haul for \$926.52; Skipper Consulting for \$1,500.00; Classic Gardens & Landscaping for \$2,439.92. 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.”

Mayor Sanders spoke to the 2009-2010 Budget, explaining some of the line items.

Councilor Tanner made a motion to adopt the July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010, Budget. 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 offered a first reading of a resolution establishing a Petty Cash Fund, appointing a custodian and establishing the amount of monies.

Annexation: Councilor Churchwell presented an ordinance annexing certain territory into the Corporate Limits of the City of Pinson, Alabama. Owner, Alabama Department of Transportation, described as POB the intersection of the NW ROW line of Alabama 75 and the Center Line of the Abandoned Cheney Railroad. 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 2009-18.

Councilor Churchwell presented an ordinance annexing certain territory into the Corporate Limits of the City of Pinson, Alabama. Owners, Robyn Custred, and Steven and Sherrie Smith, known as Lots 3 and 4, Knob Knooster Estates, Second Sector, located at 6108 and 6118 Knob Knooster Road. Councilor Churchwell recommends this property be annexed into the City of Pinson. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion.

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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 2009-19.

Councilor Churchwell presented an ordinance annexing certain territory into the Corporate Limits of the City of Pinson, Alabama. Owners, Caryl Penney Privett, Lillian Privett Laughlin and Katherine Privett Metheny, located at Marsh Street and Church Street. 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 2009-20.

Councilor Churchwell mentioned that all annexations that have been adopted from May 2008 and April 2009 have been sent to the Department of Justice for approval.

Public Safety: Councilor Cochran offered a motion to install a street light at Oak Street at Highway 75. Councilor McCain 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 Cochran offered a motion to purchase 4 chain saws, and the safety equipment required to run the saws from Mabe Power Equipment at a cost of \$2,000.00. Councilor McCain 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 stated that the new PTA’s are being formed for the new school year and the Education Committee will be appointed at a later date.

Mayor Sanders mentioned that the High School Golf Team will be hosting a Scramble on July 27th at Cumberland Country Club. If you are interested in participating, please contact Mr. Hudson.

Enhancements: Councilor McCain mentioned that the movie was postponed last week due to bad weather and will be shown this Friday, June 19, 2007, at dusk, behind Solid Rock Church. There will not be concessions available due to a conflict with Solid Rock Church, so everyone will need to make other arrangements for concessions.

Mayors Report: Planning Commission will meet June 25, 2009 at 4 p.m.

Mayor Sanders mentioned that the demolition of the Council offices is now complete.

Councilor Churchwell made a motion to allow Action Painting to paint all 5 of the Council offices and pressure wash and paint the underside of the front porch at a cost of \$2,000.00. 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 passed unanimously.”

Mayor Sanders mentioned that during the recent bad weather, a section of the privacy fence fell, and that he had received an estimate to repair the fencing. Councilor Cochran made a motion to accept the less expense estimate, in the amount of \$2,442.50. Councilor McCain 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.”

Old Business: Councilor Tanner offered an ordinance granting a gas franchise to the Marshall County Gas District, its successors and assigns, in the City of Pinson, Alabama. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. As there was no discussion, 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 2009-21.

Councilor Cochran made a motion to approve paving of Marsh Street and Church Street at a cost of \$11,783.00, by Jefferson County Road Department. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders stated that this is a joint project with Jefferson County. Jefferson County will actually pave Church Street which is their obligation and pave our portion of Marsh Street with this estimate. Mayor Sander called for any 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 Cochran made a motion to accept a Seal for the Storm Drain marking program. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sander called for any 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 Cochran mentioned that we are still working on a City Seal. We have a basic design but are still working on some minor changes. Councilor Cochran made a motion to adopt the official colors of the city which are consistent with our local schools colors. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sander 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.”

New Business: Mayor Sanders offered a first reading on an ordinance amending and restating ordinance no. 2007-7 regarding municipal parking ordinances, ticketing procedures, and the enforcement of such ordinances.

Councilor Cochran made a motion to purchase a wireless hub for city hall. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sander 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.”

Mayor Sanders reported that Carolyn Chatham has donated \$831.00 to the Enhancements Committee which is the proceeds from the CityFest T-shirt sales.

Councilor McCain made a motion to purchase 4 banners, 2 blue and 2 green for the Small Towns Downtown celebration at a cost of \$1,313.00. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sander 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 Cochran discussed a request asking that we change our policy on parking in Fire Lanes. Councilor Cochran stated that we have not issued special parking permits to any vehicle. Councilor Tanner stated that anyone that needs to be let out at the curb can be let out at the curb, you just can not park there. Councilor Churchwell stated that there are also handicap parking spaces there, and the changes that have been made are to make it possible for the Fire and Emergency vehicles to access them when they are needed.

Public Comment:

- 1.) Taylor Steel, Turkey Creek Nature Preserve. We have a lot of families visiting now. We are always looking for volunteers to help with projects in the preserve.
- 2.) Wayne Hyche, 5910 Miles Spring Road. Asking that the city make a loading zone at the shopping centers.
- 3.) Jack Chandler, 4267 Walnut Street. Would like for everyone to show their appreciation to the Mayor and Council for the concern they have shown us.
- 4.) Pete Chandler, 4450 Silver Lake Road. Thinks the new electronic sign looks good, but would like to have the green sign removed. Also mentioned that there are 18 wheelers that are parking in front of Dollar General to unload.
- 5.) Sara Meadows, 5017 Goldleaf Lane. Commented on Palmerdale Fire Department and their courtesy and quick response from them during her husband, David Meadows, sickness and death.
- 6.) Lewis Jenkins/Joan Chism. Would like to see what can be done to clean up Tapawingo Trailer Park.

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 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Anje May, Acting City Clerk

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