

Council Minutes
July 2, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session in Council Chambers at 4410 Main Street on Thursday, July 2, 2009. Mayor Sanders led the invocation. Councilor 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 June 18, 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 18, 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 \$39,531.19. Nextel for \$337.66; Trussville Utilities for \$95.96; UNA – four recertification’s Planning Commission for \$636.00; Alabama Power for \$169.66; AT&T for \$449.98; PC Doctor for \$422.50; Annes Cans for \$130.00; Payroll for \$6,038.65; Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office for \$14,162.09; B/W & Sons Lawn Maintenance for \$850.00; Surveying Services-replace wood privacy fence behind City Hall for \$2,442.50; RTS Const-demo 5 rooms for councilors offices for \$2,500.00; Action Painting-prep & paint 5 councilors offices & pressure wash and paint front porch of City Hall for \$2,250.00; Regions mortgage for \$3,854.18; Joe Cochran-reimbursement supplies for chain saws for \$23.91; Mabe Power Equipment-4 chain saws for \$1,709.60; B/W & Sons Lawn Maintenance for \$350.00; Call-A-Haul for \$598.00; Moore Coal Co. for \$60.50; Stan Godfrey-median mowing for \$1,550.00; Skipper Consulting for \$900.00. 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 offered a resolution establishing a Petty Cash Fund, appointing a custodian and establishing the amount of monies. Councilor McCain 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 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 09-16.

Annexation: Councilor Churchwell presented an ordinance annexing certain territory into the Corporate Limits of the City of Pinson, Alabama. Owners, Dorothy B. Graves and Susan Gagliano Hayes, located at 5595, 5603 and 5637 Dewey Heights Road. Councilor Churchwell recommends this property be annexed into the City of Pinson. Councilor Tanner 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 Shelnett-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 Shelnett-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes; Councilor McCain-yes.

Mayor Sanders, ordinance adopted unanimously as Ordinance number 2009-22.

Public Safety: Councilor Cochran updated everyone on the purchase of four chain saws, to assist 1st responders during storms or any other emergency as needed. The appropriate safety equipment to be used with the chain saws has also been purchased.

Councilor Cochran reminded everyone of the State of Alabama law regarding fireworks.

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.

Councilor Cochran mentioned that the P.V.H.S. Freshman Transition Team is planning a Jump Start Program to help familiarize new students with the High School. Jump Start is scheduled for July 13th and 14th.

Enhancements: Councilor McCain mentioned that the next movie will be on July 10, 2009. The movie will be an edited version of Ironman rated PG.

Mayors Report: Mayor Sanders mentioned that the Community Center needs a dumpster and dumpster pad, and he has received an estimate for the dumpster pad of \$1,180.00.

Councilor Cochran made a motion to extend the sidewalk and construct a dumpster pad at the Community Center. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. After some 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 our Fiscal Year End was, June 30, 2009, and he will secure Stewart and Treglown to handle our yearly audit.

Mayor Sanders mentioned that since there are 5 Thursdays in July and October, we will hold Town Hall Meetings on these days. Councilor Cochran mentioned that these are informal meetings and invites the community to come and take part in these meetings.

Old Business: Councilor Churchwell made a motion to approve Seal # 6 with the picture on Seal #3, to be adopted as the City Seal. 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 Cochran offered an ordinance amending and restating ordinance no. 2007-7 regarding municipal parking ordinances, ticketing procedures, and the enforcement of such ordinances. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders asked Attorney Black to explain this ordinance. Attorney Black explained how the amendment will affect the ordinance. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. As there was no discussion, Mayor Sanders called for a roll call vote on the main ordinance with the following results: Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Cochran-yes; Councilor Shelnutt-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes; Councilor McCain-yes.

Mayor Sanders, ordinance adopted unanimously as Ordinance number 2009-23.

New Business: Mayor Sanders reported that Fresh Water Land Trust has appropriated funds to be used for Deputy Security at Turkey Creek Nature Preserve and has asked that the City be the administrator of those funds.

Councilor Cochran made a motion to accept and administer the funds received from Fresh Water Land Trust to the Deputies that are providing security at Turkey Creek Nature Preserve. 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 passes with the Mayor abstaining.”

Councilor Shelnutt made a motion to hire Simmons Surveying to prepare a conceptual drawing for the Walking Trail at a cost of \$1,000.00. Before calling for a second, Mayor Sanders allowed a few minutes for discussion. After some discussion, Mayor Sanders called for a second. As there was no second, Mayor Sanders stated, Motion fails due to lack of second.

Public Comment:

- 1.) Elizabeth Reiff, 241 St. John Drive. Thanked the City for the police protection in her subdivision and hopes it will continue. She would like to have a center line or reflectors added to the street entering the subdivision.

- 2.) Charles Lewis, 4620 Lakes Edge Cove. Thinks that Council is making a mistake concerning the walking track, he thinks it would be very beneficial and we need it.
- 3.) Patsy Shelnutt, 8001 South Valley Road. P.H.C.C. will host a BBQ on July 4th, from 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., with entertainment. Plates are \$7.00, Sandwiches are \$3.50.

Councilor Cochran made a motion to enter into executive session for purpose to discuss the acquisition of real estate. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders asked for any discussion. As there was none, Mayor Sanders called for all opposed say “no”, all in favor say “aye.” Mayor Sanders said we will enter Executive session and will not reconvene other than to entertain a motion to adjourn. Mayor Sanders added that we will progress leisurely to the back, feel free to talk with us if you would like.

Mayor Sanders called council out of executive session.

Councilor Cochran 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 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Turner, City Clerk

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