

Council Minutes
December 17, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session in Council Chambers at 4410 Main Street on Thursday, December 17, 2009. Councilor Churchwell 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:

Councilor Tanner
Councilor Cochran
Councilor Shelnett
Councilor Churchwell
Councilor McCain

Absent:

Mayor Sanders

In Mayor Sanders absence, Councilor Cochran will serve as Mayor Pro-Tem.

Minutes:

Councilor Shelnett made a motion to waive the reading of the December 3, 2009, minutes. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Cochran called for all opposed to say "no", all in favor say "aye." Councilor McCain made a motion to accept the minutes as written of the December 3, 2009, meeting. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Cochran called for all opposed to say "no", all in favor say "aye." Mayor Pro Tem Cochran 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 \$62,158.97. SWMA for \$896.70; Regions Visa for \$5,162.10; Birmingham Water Works for \$156.50; Jefferson County Sheriff's Office for Oct. 2009, Nov. 2009, & Dec. 2009 for \$42,486.27; Stewart & Treglown for \$9,500.00; Acceptance Janitorial for \$160.00; Pike's Plumbing for \$768.19; Alapestco for \$827.50; BJC Animal Control for \$827.50; B/W & Sons Lawn Maintenance for \$385.00; Nohab-maintenance contract for \$900.00; Joy McCain-reimburse for Christmas tree items for \$7.95; Cande Sanders-reimburse for Christmas Parade expenses for \$55.20; Alabama Power for \$325.92; Alacourt.com for \$107.00; Alabama Power-Streetlights for \$270.64. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Cochran called for any discussion. Councilor Churchwell explained that the reason the bills were such a large amount this time was due to \$42,486.27, is being paid to the Sheriff's Department for our Deputies for October, November and December. Mayor Pro Tem Cochran called for any further discussion. As there was no further discussion Mayor Pro Tem Cochran called for all opposed say

"no", all in favor say "aye." Mayor Pro Tem Cochran said "Let the record reflect that the motion passed unanimously."

Councilor Tanner made a motion to accept and approve the audit. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Cochran called for any discussion. As there was no discussion, Mayor Pro Tem Cochran asked for a roll call vote on the motion with the following results: Mayor Pro Tem Cochran-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Shelnutt-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes; Councilor McCain-yes.

Mayor Pro Tem Cochran said, "Let the record reflect that the motion passed unanimously."

Mayor Pro Tem Cochran stated that copies of the audit will be available to the public on December 21, 2009.

Annexation:

Councilor Churchwell mentioned that many annexation requests have been received and we will determine whether we will annex these properties individually or in a referendum vote.

Public Safety:

Mayor Pro Tem Cochran

Enhancements:

Councilor McCain mentioned that the Christmas Tree Lighting Program went well and that we served approximately 300 cups of hot chocolate, coffee and hot apple cider. Councilor McCain added that the Christmas Parade was a success as well with the Float winners as follows: 1st Place-First Baptist Church Pinson; 2nd Place-Pinson Elementary School; and 3rd Place-Girl Scout Troop 142.

Councilor McCain mentioned that the quarterly newsletter will be mailed soon and that on January 16, 2010, the City will sponsor a Shred-A-Thon information will be in the newsletter.

Councilor McCain made a motion to have the City sponsor 1 event per month in 2010 in coordination with the Small Town Alabama Celebration. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Cochran called for any discussion. As there was no discussion Mayor Pro Tem Cochran called for all opposed say "no", all in favor say "aye." Mayor Pro Tem Cochran said "Let the record reflect that the motion passed unanimously."

Mayors Report:

Mayor Pro Tem Cochran reported that Pam King, Historian, has received a request from the National Historical Registry for some additional information and she hopes to have our submission heard at the Spring meeting of the National Historical Registry.

Old Business:

Councilor Tanner commented on her attendance of the National League of Cities Convention stating that it was a well planned conference and that she attended meetings concerning a Downtown Improvements Program; Library Systems and Services Group that help you set up libraries in your town.

New Business:

Councilor Churchwell reported that he and Mrs. Churchwell attended Hughes Memorial Baptist Church 100 year anniversary Service. Councilor Churchwell added that the anniversary is actually in September 2010, but the church plans to hold an event every 3 months in 2010. Councilor Churchwell mentioned that the service that he and Mrs. Churchwell attended was a Candlelight Service, which was to represent the 1st service held there in 1909 and the dinner that was served after the service was Soup and Cornbread, the same dinner that was served 100 years ago.

Councilor McCain mentioned that at the Birmingham Library Downtown on the 4th Floor there are a lot of the Palmerdale areas pictures called Digging out of the Depression, but will only be on display through December 30, 2009.

Mayor Pro Tem Cochran mentioned that P.V.Y.A. has sent the City a letter of their intent to convey property to the City of Pinson. Mayor Pro Tem Cochran added that this process is moving forward as well as P.H.C.C.

Councilor Churchwell reported that he and Mrs. Churchwell, Councilor and Mrs. Cochran, and Mayor Sanders all attended a meeting and dinner with a presentation from the Clay Chamber of Commerce where their future plans for the Chamber of Commerce were discussed.

Public Comment:

- 1.) Pete Chandler, Silver Lake Road. Senior Citizens meeting will be January 20, 2010, 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m., at the Community Center. Bring your friends.

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

Adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Turner, City Clerk

December 17, 2009 Minutes Adopted _____