

Council Minutes
March 18, 2010 – 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session in Council Chambers at 4410 Main Street on Thursday, March 18, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. 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

Absent:
Councilor McCain

Minutes:
Councilor Shelnett made a motion to waive the reading of the March 4, 2010, 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 March 4, 2010, 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 approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$6,667.30, a copy of the bills schedule is attached. 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."

Public Safety:
Councilor Cochran mentioned that Palmerdale Fire District has received a new Fire Engine. Councilor Cochran also thanked the Fire Departments for their quick response time.

Education:
Mayor Sanders mentioned that the Education Committee will meet on April 13th at one of the schools.

Councilor Cochran made a motion to distribute the yearly allocations to the schools. 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."

Enhancements:

Mayor Sanders announced that on March 20th the City will sponsor a Book Drive for our future Library, from 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

Mayor Sanders mentioned that CityFest will be held on April 10th. Mayor Sanders added that in June the City will hold a Flag Day event and in July the City is planning a Beat the Heat Day in conjunction with Turkey Creek Nature Preserves Float your Boat event. Mayor Sanders stated that he will purchase an inexpensive freezer for storage of the ice cream that will be given away at the June and July events and when the City is finished with the freezer, we will plan to donate it to the High School Booster areas.

Mayors Report:

Mayor Sanders offered a first reading of a resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept a Deed from the Pinson Valley Youth Association concerning certain property.

Mayor Sanders offered a first reading of an ordinance authorizing the Lease of certain real property to the Pinson Valley Youth Association.

Mayor Sanders announced that the Planning Commission will meet on Monday, March 22, 2010, at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor Sanders mentioned that the Census forms have been mailed and encouraged everyone to complete and return the forms to the Census Bureau as soon as possible. Mayor Sanders added that this Census is very important to the City because our some of our funding is based on our population. Councilor Cochran added that the Census Count determines how many representatives we receive for our area in Congress.

Old Business: Councilor Cochran offered a resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept the proposal from Gallet Testing in conjunction with the Highway 75 Sidewalk Project as required by Alabama Department of Transportation. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion.

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 Shelnutt-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes.

Mayor Sanders, resolution passes as Resolution number 10-10.

Mayor Sanders discussed with Council the possibility of allowing Jefferson County to place Cooking Oil Receptacles on our property for recycling purposes. After the discussion Mayor Sanders stated that the record should reflect that there was no opposition to the Cooking Oil Receptacles.

Mayor Sanders offered a first reading of a resolution requesting that the Mayor review options for the administration of the City of Pinson Sales and Use Tax, and to report a recommendation to the City Council.

Councilor Shelnuttt made a motion to adopt a resolution of covenant, regarding Sales and Use Tax income. Mayor Sanders called for a second to the motion. Mayor Sanders said, "The resolution fails due to lack of second".

Councilor Churchwell made a motion authorizing the Mayor to contract with Ameriseal of Birmingham to re-seal the parking lot at City Hall for approximately \$5,871.00. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Councilor Cochran asked if the Mayor had received bids from any other companies. Mayor Sanders stated that he did not know of any other companies that did this particular type of work. Councilor Cochran added that this is preventative maintenance that we need to do. Mayor Sanders 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 passes unanimously."

New Business:

Councilor Churchwell offered a resolution concerning CityFest promotional T-Shirts, novelty memorabilia, and souvenir booklets. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any 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 Shelnuttt-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes.

Mayor Sanders, resolution passes as Resolution number 10-11.

Public Comment:

- 1.) Gerald King, Venture Technologies. Discussed the possibility of his company offering City wide Hot Spots to the citizens of Pinson. Venture Technologies would offer Phone, Internet and Cable Television services.
- 2.) John Harrison, 3709 Fitzgerald Mountain Road. Question for Mr. King. Mr. Harrison stated that he has 5 televisions, would he need 5 boxes to receive cable on each television. Mr. King stated yes and the cost would be \$5.00 per box. Mr. Harrison asked about the book that will be sold at CityFest. Councilor Churchwell explained that Councilor McCain had asked everyone in the community to send in stories of their memories of Pinson. It is a Souvenir Book of Memories.
- 3.) Pete Chandler, 4450 Silver Lake Road. Thanked council for everything they have done for the senior citizens, and added that those in attendance played Dominos, Checkers, Chinese checkers, Rook, Skipbo, etc., and invited all senior citizens to attend the next event. Councilor Churchwell stated that it is the 3rd Wednesday of each month, at the Community Center, and will be held next month on April 21st.

Councilor Cochran made a motion to enter into executive session for purpose to discuss trade and commerce, and real estate. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion.

Mayor Sanders, I provide certification in regard to trade and commerce, it would be detrimental if items were discussed in open forum.

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 “Let the record reflect that the motion passed unanimously.” Mayor Sanders said we will enter Executive session and will not reconvene other than to entertain a motion to adjourn, which I estimate to be in approximately 10 minutes. 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 Churchwell duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for all opposed to say “no”, all in favor say “aye”. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Turner, City Clerk

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