

Pinson City Council Minutes  
February 1, 2007 - 7:00 p.m.  
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session at the Pinson City Hall on Thursday, February 1, 2007. Mayor Sanders led the invocation and 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 Churchwell  
Councilor McCain

**Minutes:** Councilor McCain made a motion to waive the reading of the January 4, 2007, 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 January 4, 2007, meeting. Councilor McCain 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 were unanimous.” Councilor McCain made a motion to waive the reading of the January 18, 2007, 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 January 18, 2007, meeting. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion.

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**Committee Reports:**

**Finance:** Councilor Tanner made a motion to pay miscellaneous bills in the amount of \$2,557.27. Nextel for \$178.35; Alabama Power for \$404.00; Trussville Utilities for \$273.46; Best Insurance Agency for \$200.00; Bellsouth for \$297.66; Jefferson County Municipal Clerks Assoc. for \$30.00; Payroll for \$1,108.80; Acceptance Janitorial for \$45.00; John Harrison for \$20.00.

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 vote was unanimous.”

**Motion to pay bills passed unanimously.**

**Annexation:** Councilor Churchwell reported that we have received Clearance from the Justice Department; all of the annexations from July 7, 2005 through May 18, 2006 have been approved.

**Public Safety:** Councilor Cochran stated that CERT Training at PHCC will resume on February 10, 2007, February 17, 2007 and February 24, 2007. This is for community involvement, teaching the community how to help first responders in a catastrophe.

**Education:** Mayor Sanders reported that Council was invited to participate in the School improvement plan which is part of the No Child Left Behind program. Councilor Cochran stated that he was very impressed with the plan. Councilor Churchwell stated that it was a very good meeting. Council participated in a walk through session to evaluate each class going on. They are looking for ways to enhance children's learning ability and to reward those who achieve success.

**Zoning and Beautification:** Councilor McCain reported CityFest plans are being made. CityFest will be held on March 31, 2007, from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Councilor McCain stated that several vendors have already called with interest in participating and the T-shirts are being designed.

**Mayors Report:** Mayor Sanders stated that Council members and Planning Committee members will attend UNA Zoning classes at City Hall.

**Old Business:** Councilor Cochran offered a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into Contract For Advertising in The Alabama Butterbean Festival. 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 stated that the Resolution was adopted unanimously as Resolution 2007-01. Attorney Black briefly updated the OUB Case. Attorney Black stated that this is a lawsuit between the City of Pinson, the Town of Cleveland, and the Town of Highland Lake regarding a Franchise Tax of 3% from the Utility Board of the City of Oneonta. Attorney Black discussed the next steps in this case and will be available after the meeting for any questions the public may have.

**New Business:** Councilor McCain offered a 1<sup>st</sup> reading on A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Request an Opinion from the Alabama Attorney General Concerning the Police Jurisdiction of the City of Pinson. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion. Councilor Cochran offered a 1<sup>st</sup> reading of an Ordinance Providing for the Seizure and Forfeiture of Automobiles Whose Operators are Unable to Produce a Valid Driver's License on the Demand of a Law Enforcement Officer. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion.

**Public Comment:**

Phil Sims, 8144 North Valley Road, Pinson Alabama

Mr. Sims had several announcements to make, they are as follows:

1. PHCC will host Brian Davis of ALDOT, Sunday, February 4, 2007, at 2:00 p.m. Mr. Davis will be discussing the Northern Beltline and invites all to attend.
2. There will be a CERT Rodeo/Olympics on the 15<sup>th</sup> at Fairpark. This will include participants from Pinson, Irondale, Birmingham and other Jefferson County CERT Teams.
3. Butterbean Festival planning meetings will be held the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m.  
Councilor Cochran announced that the PVHS Band Boosters will host a Pancake Breakfast at Applebee's in Trussville on Saturday, February 3, 2007, from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Marie Turner, City Clerk

**February 1, 2007 Minutes Adopted \_\_\_\_\_**