

Pinson City Council Minutes
October 5, 2006 - 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session at the Pinson City Hall on Thursday, October 5, 2006. 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 September 21, 2006, 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 approve the minutes as written of the September 21, 2006, 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 both were passed unanimously.”

Motion passed to adopt minutes of September 21, 2006.

Mayor Sanders suspended the rules.

Center Point Fire Department Battalion Chief Bob Van Houser:

Battalion Chief Van Houser addressed the Mayor and Council, thanking the City for their donation to help in the purchase of the new LifePack. The new LifePack will be placed at Station 2.

Chief Summerford made a presentation to recognize Diana Hughes for her 26 years of Service.

Chief Summerford also mentioned that Station 2 (Pinson Area) received a new Rescue Truck, which was put into service on October 4, 2006.

Jerry Bahakel Circuit Clerk Candidate:

Candidate Bahakel explained the responsibilities of the Office of the Circuit Clerk and asked for support in the election.

Mayor Sanders reinstated the rules.

Committee Reports:

Finance: Councilor Tanner made a motion to pay miscellaneous bills in the amount of \$1,936.90. B & W Sons Lawn Maintenance for \$190.00; Alabama Power (Triangle Park) for \$28.20; Alabama Power (City Hall) for \$346.41; Trussville Utilities for \$15.60; Call-A-Haul for \$280.00; Mayor Sanders (reimbursement) for \$99.45; Deluxe Business Systems (deposit slips 7-2)- for \$26.82; Deluxe Business Systems (deposit slips 4-6-5) for \$26.82; Deluxe Business Systems (deposit slips) for \$26.82; Nextel for \$169.91; Bellsouth for \$296.27; Payroll Anje May for \$430.60. 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 was carried unanimously.”

Motion to pay bills passed unanimously.

Public Safety: Councilor Cochran reported that the Pinson Valley High School Homecoming Parade will be held on Thursday, October 26, 2006, at 4:00pm, and a Bonfire will follow.

Education: Mayor Sanders reported that there would be a Fox 6 Clean up Day at Rudd Middle School, October 21, 2006. Mayor Sanders stated that we have received the invoice to pay ½ of the Dual Enrollment as agreed to Pinson Valley High School.

Annexation: No report.

Zoning & Beautification: Councilor McCain will be attending the Community Block Grant Seminar on October 12, 2006. Also there will be a Christmas Parade meeting on October 11, 2006 at 5:00pm.

Mayor’s Report: Mayor Sanders mentioned that if Council is planning to go to the Preservation Conference in April, he needs to know as soon as possible in order to make reservations. Mayor Sanders and Councilor Cochran have been pricing mesh trailers for garbage pickup. Mayor Sanders stated that they were just doing some preliminary checking and asked Council to be thinking about this for future discussion. Mayor Sanders asked Attorney Black if there is a problem in paying the City Clerk, Marie Turner, for her time, approximately 5-10 hours a month at a rate of \$10.00 per hour. Attorney Black stated that he saw no problem in doing this. Councilor Cochran made a motion to pay the City Clerk, Marie Turner, at an hourly rate for her time spent as City Clerk. 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 was carried unanimously.”

Mayor Sanders asked Council of other thoughts on the Vehicle Use Policy. Councilor Cochran stated he thought that Councilor Shelnett was on target when he suggested this Policy, as it sets the guidelines, etc., for the future. Councilor Tanner mentioned that on the Policy it states Employees and Individuals several times, who are the “Individuals”?

Would Individuals be Council and Employees be Marie and Anje? Mayor Sanders said we should probably just make it any driver. Mayor Sanders asked Attorney Black how this should be handled; Attorney Black stated that would be applicable to anybody that might come in contact with the vehicle. Councilor Cochran stated that he thought it would be a good idea to leave the employee part in the policy. Mayor Sanders mentioned that it had been discussed, at an earlier date, that Council and their families ride in vehicles in the Christmas Parade. Mayor Sanders asked Council to continue to consider this.

Old Business: Attendees of the League Conference Training in April, please let Mayor Sanders or Councilor Tanner know as soon as possible to make reservations. Mayor Sanders spoke to UNA about hosting the Spring Training Session for UNA Certification. Mayor Sanders stated that we would be more than willing to do this. We will have to buy a TV and DVD/VCR player for this Training Session. Mayor Sanders asked Council if there was any opposition to his pursuing this opportunity. There was no opposition.

Councilor McCain offered the 1st reading of the Ordinance Creating the City Planning Commission for the City of Pinson, Alabama. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders does not call for unanimous consent. Mayor Sanders stated that he is in a Historical position that will not be repeated again in Pinson, in that he will appoint all 9 members of this 1st Commission. Each Councilor has been asked to give the Mayor a nomination.

After this appointment the future Mayor or Chair will appoint one new member each year. Mayor Sanders asked for any comments. Councilor Cochran stated that this is the most significant thing that has been done as a City since the day we elected to become a City. Mayor Sanders added that this would be the Planning Commission, which will actually write land use plans. The Commission would not hear zoning cases at this time.

Councilor Cochran offered the 1st reading of a Resolution Establishing an Agreement between the City of Pinson and ALDOT. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders does not call for unanimous consent.

New Business:

Councilor McCain made a motion to pursue printing up a Realtor Flier to be placed in homes when they are shown which would explain a little bit about the City of Pinson. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders asked the approximate cost. Councilor McCain stated it would run about .10 to .15 per copy. 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 was carried unanimously.”

Mayor Sanders mentioned that P.V.Y.A. would have a Parade on October 21, 2006. Mayor Sanders stated that we have reached the half way point in our term and thanked Council for their service thus far.

Public Comments:

Mayor Sanders called for Public comment:

- 1) Gary Moore, 6474 Old Bradford Road. S.T.A.R.T Group is inviting everyone to their pavilion October 12, 2006, at 6:30, where Judge Tom King and his son, Alan King will be speaking.
- 2) Pete Chandler, 4450 Silver Lake Road. "Welcome to Pinson" sign is too small wants something like Center Point has. Mayor Sanders stated that in time we will have a larger sign. Where is City Hall sign? Mayor Sanders stated that we actually have them, but we are going to wait until the end of the year to do something about that. Yard Sale signs, can the Deputy pick them up? Mayor Sanders asked Attorney Black if we could have a "Redeem the Sign Day". Attorney Black stated there are a number of issues to think about. Mayor Sanders said we would consider that later. Mr. Chandler asked about the Economic Development Attorney, have we heard anything from him? Mayor Sanders explained that Attorney Morris reported to us about 4 weeks ago and some of the businesses he is speaking with have to be handled discretely.
- 3) Gary Moore, asked about Center Point annexing the land that Wal-mart is supposed to be built on. Councilor Cochran answered, No.

Mayor Sanders asked for a motion to adjourn.

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

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