

Council Minutes
January 18, 2024
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session at Pinson City Hall at 4410 Main Street, Pinson, on Thursday, January 18, 2024. Councilor Roberts led the invocation. Councilor Walker 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 members present:

Councilor Irvin
Councilor Walker
Mayor Pro Tem Roberts
Councilor Churchwell
Councilor Kirkland
Mayor Cochran

Minutes: Councilor Kirkland offered a motion to waive the reading of and approve the minutes from January 4, 2024. Councilor Walker duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for all in favor say 'aye', all opposed say 'no'. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, "Let the record reflect the 'ayes' carry unanimously."**

Committee Chair Reports:

Finance: Councilor Irvin offered a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$60,766.58. Councilor Walker duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for all in favor say 'aye', all opposed say 'no'. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, "Let the record reflect the 'ayes' carry unanimously."**

Enhancements: Councilor Kirkland motion for the dates and Facilities be blocked off for City Fest on May 4, 2024; Veterans Luncheon November 11, 2024; Christmas Parade on December 6th tentatively. Councilor Irvin seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for all in favor say 'aye', all opposed say 'no'. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, "Let the record reflect the 'ayes' carry unanimously."**

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Cochran offered a motion to allow the mayor to enter into a contract with Insite engineering to complete the necessary repairs to the cross drains at Flight and Gilmer drives at the Highway 79 intersection. The report and estimate to make such repairs presented by Insite engineering was \$28,500 each +/- plus dense grade and paving. I recommend we allow \$100,000.00 to be allotted for the project. The maximum amount under the state bid laws.

Councilor Walker seconded the motion.

Rules Suspended

Bob Jones explained the process to repair Gilmore and Flight Drive.

Rules Reinstated

Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for a roll call vote on the motion with the following results: Councilor Irvin- yes, Councilor Walker- yes, Mayor Pro Tem Roberts- yes, Councilor Churchwell- yes, Councilor Kirkland- yes, Mayor Cochran- yes. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, “let the record reflect the motion passes unanimously.”**

Mayor Pro Tem Roberts stated that Mayor Cochran appointed Dorlan Terry to fill Danny Churchwell’s unexpired term on the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Mayor Pro Tem Roberts mentioned the great progress that is being made to prepare for the city’s audit and looking forward to beginning audit late January early February.

Old Business:

Mayor Pro Tem Roberts mentioned there is an opening to join the Library Board and to reach out to Allison Scanlan at the Pinson Public Library.

Councilor Walker made a motion to proceed with the contract with Waste Management for a 2 year extension and Councilor Churchwell seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for all in favor say ‘aye’, all opposed say ‘no’. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, “Let the record reflect the ‘ayes’ carry unanimously.”**

Rules Suspended

Eric Winfrey reported he reached out to a realtor for monthly rental rates at \$1200-1300 a month, regarding the Powell Avenue house. Rental agencies will also manage property for a fee.

Rules Reinstated

Mayor Cochran made a motion to table the discussion for a later date. Councilor Irvin duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for all in favor say ‘aye’, all opposed say ‘no’. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, “Let the record reflect the ‘ayes’ carry unanimously.”**

New Business:

Ordinance regarding Tax Free Weekend. Councilor Walker offered an Ordinance consideration for the following dates the 3rd weekend of July 2024 and February 23-25 of 2024. Mayor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for a roll call vote on the motion to considered Ordinance 2024-01 with the following results: Councilor Irvin- yes, Councilor Walker- yes, Mayor Pro Tem Roberts- yes, Councilor Churchwell- yes, Councilor Kirkland- yes, Mayor Cochran- yes. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, “let the record reflect the motion passes unanimously.”** Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for a roll call vote on the motion

to adopt the Ordinance 2024-01 with the following results: Councilor Irvin- yes, Councilor Walker- yes, Mayor Pro Tem Roberts- yes, Councilor Churchwell- yes, Councilor Kirkland- yes, Mayor Cochran- yes. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, “let the record reflect the motion passes unanimously, as Ordinance 2024-01”.**

Public Comment:

Greg Kirkland 5645 Miles Spring Rd Pinson AL. Mr. Kirkland stated Waste Management is not putting the trash cans back in the proper place. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts stated he will ask Waste Management to view their video for this problem.

Mayor Pro Tem Roberts asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Walker offered a motion to adjourn. Councilor Irvin duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for all in favor say ‘aye’, all opposed say ‘no’. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, “let the record reflect the ‘ayes’ carry and we are adjourned.”**

Adjourned at 7:30 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Marie Turner, City Clerk

Bills 1/18/2024

Regions		\$5,892.45
Birmingham Water Works	Bradford Soccer Field	\$27.32
	Powell Ave House	\$27.22
	Triangle Park	\$27.16
	Bicentennial Park	\$512.67
	Community Center	\$35.68
	PYSC	\$159.06
	Innsbroke	\$0.36
	PHCC	\$204.56
Jefferson County Sheriff Office		\$35,749.99
VC3		\$607.77
GreenCo		\$3,807.84
Precision Graphics		\$45.00
Express Oil Company		\$1,486.21
O'Reilly First Call	Public Works	\$687.99
Utilities of Oneonta		\$8.56
Airgas		\$43.26
Centerpoint Fire District		\$2,873.00
Old Republic Surety Group		\$700.00
Waste Mangement		\$362.01
Pitney Bowes		\$1,020.99
Greater Birmingham Humane Society		\$679.14
Alabama Recreation & Parks Association		\$75.00
Borland Benefield		\$1,087.50
Verizon Connect		\$152.00
Lights of Christmas	Bicentennial Park	\$825.00
	PHCC	\$349.14
	Rock School	\$647.25
	Community Center	\$373.95
	Triangle Park	\$918.33
	Library	\$508.56
	Powell Ave House	\$8.27
	City Hall	\$417.00
	Community Center	\$177.84
	Bicentennial Park	\$268.50
Alabama Power (7/2)		\$6,139.29

Account Balances @12/29/23:

Regions Gen. Fund	\$2,154,687.98
Regions MM Cap. Fund	\$144,476.28
Regions Merchant Acct	\$28,053.73
Hometown Library Fund	\$ 7,291.04
Hometown 4-5-6	\$424,667.10
Hometown 7-2	\$94,533.78
Hometown Misc. Road	\$103,444.32
Hometown 10 cent tax	\$88,568.14
Hometown Saving Acct	\$576,589.22

Total: \$66,905.87