

Council Minutes  
August 18, 2011 – 7:00 p.m.  
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session in Council Chambers at 4410 Main Street on Thursday, August 18, 2011. 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  
Councilor McCain

**Minutes:** Councilor Shelnett made a motion to waive the reading of the August 4, 2011, 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 August 4, 2011, 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 that both motions passed unanimously."

**Committee Chair Comments:**

**Finance:** Councilor Tanner made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$58,757.07, a copy of the bills schedule is attached. 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 passed unanimously."

**Public Safety:** Councilor Cochran stated that the Deputies asked that everyone be aware and lock their car doors. Councilor Cochran added that much of the crime has been contributed to unlocked cars.

Mayor Sanders stated that the PVHS Signal Dedication Ceremony was well attended by most of council, PTSA members, PVHS Administrative staff and Dr. Hammonds. Mayor Sanders added that he had received several positive comments regarding the new traffic signal.

Councilor Cochran stated that all Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputies will be back on 40 hours beginning next week.

**Education:** Mayor Sanders stated the PVHS PTSA work day was a success and all of the goals for that day were met.

**Enhancements:** Councilor McCain commented on the Shred-A-Thon held by the city was a huge success. Councilor McCain added that there was approximately 14,000 pounds shredded.

**Mayor's Report:** Mayor Sanders reported that the compressor unit in the PVYA concession stand has failed and the entire unit will need to be replaced.

Councilor Cochran made a motion to authorize the purchase and installation of a HVAC unit in the PVYA concession stand at a cost of approximately \$2,480.00. 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 passed unanimously.

Councilor Cochran made a motion to approve removal of cabinets in the Library Director's Office at an approximate cost of \$1,080.00, and the installation of ceramic tile in the entrance foyer and restrooms of the Library at an approximate cost of \$2,400.00. 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 passed unanimously.

Mayor Sanders announced that the Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on, September 19, 2011.

Mayor Sanders offered a first reading on a resolution regarding SWMA.

**Old Business:** Councilor Churchwell offered an ordinance setting qualification fees, regarding municipal elections. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Councilor Churchwell stated that these fees are required to be in place at least 6 months before elections. Mayor Sanders called for any further discussion. As there was no further discussion, Mayor Sanders asked for a roll call vote on the main ordinance with the following results.

Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Cochran-yes; Councilor Shelnut-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes; Councilor McCain-yes.

**Mayor Sanders, ordinance passes unanimously as Ordinance 2011-12.**

Councilor Cochran made a motion to authorize repair and replacement of fencing at the PVYA Football Field at an approximate cost of \$604.00. 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 passed unanimously.

**New Business:** Councilor Cochran made a motion of intent and support to accept and maintain a recycle trailer under the conditions outlined. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders stated that this would most likely be available for recycling paper, plastic and one other material, but would not hold glass. 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.

Councilor Tanner made a motion to authorize funds for 1 day of clearing to complete clearing of city property located north of the north end zone. 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.

Councilor McCain offered a resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor to apply for grant funding for park and recreation. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for unanimous consent to consider with the following results:

Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Cochran-yes; Councilor Shelnutt-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes; Councilor McCain-yes.

Mayor Sanders called 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; Councilor McCain-yes.

**Mayor Sanders, resolution passes unanimously as Resolution 11-24.**

Councilor Shelnutt asked who will be attending the NLC in Phoenix, AZ in November. Councilor Churchwell stated that he and Councilor Tanner are planning to attend. Councilor Shelnutt inquired about the cost of conference attendance. Councilor Churchwell stated the registration fee is \$410.00 per person, and the hotel is approximately \$1,000.00 for 5 days, per room. Councilor Churchwell stated that airfare will be added to the amount. Councilor Shelnutt asked if a specific agenda for the conference is available. Councilor Churchwell replied that the agenda can be accessed online.

Councilor Shelnutt requested that council meeting packets be made available to the public, stating that citizens interested would be willing to pay for the cost of preparing. Mayor Sanders stated that we could provide the packets at no cost, but would need to know how many, those interested would need to let the clerk know before the meeting.

**Public Comment:**

- 1.) Ronnie Dixon, Alabama Butterbean Festival. Mr. Dixon gave information about the upcoming festival and thanked several key people for their hard work in preparation of the festival.
- 2.) April Wallace, Pinson Library Director. Mrs. Wallace thanked the Mayor and Council for their continued support of the Library.

Councilor Cochran made a motion to enter into executive session for purpose to discuss real estate and trade and commerce. 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 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."

Mayor Sanders stated, we will enter Executive session and will not reconvene other than to entertain a motion to adjourn, which I estimate to be approximately 20 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 McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for all opposed to say "no", all in favor say "aye". Motion carried.

Adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marie Turner, City Clerk

**August 18, 2011 Minutes Adopted \_\_\_\_\_**