

Council Minutes  
August 4, 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 4, 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 July 21, 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 July 21, 2011, 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 passed unanimously."

**Pre-Meeting Public Comment:**

Taylor Steele, Turkey Creek Nature Preserve. Expressed his appreciation to the Council for using Sweeping Corporation to keep Narrows Road clean.

Hana Burwinkle, Jefferson County Land Development Office, explained some of the new campaigns to help educate citizens regarding clean water awareness and litter abatement.

Mayor Sanders reinstated rules.

**Committee Chair Comments:**

**Finance:** Councilor Tanner made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$22,965.49, 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."

Mayor Sanders mentioned that payroll will now be listed monthly as a ratification item on the bills schedule.

**Public Safety:** Councilor Cochran stated that National Night Out, which was held Tuesday, August 2, 2011, from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m., was well received. Councilor Cochran stated that he was in the Innsbrooke community and served approximately 100 hot dogs. Councilor Cochran added that there were approximately 70 people in

attendance. Mayor Sanders stated that he was in the Heatherpointe community and had approximately 45 people in attendance. Mayor Sanders added that he served hot dogs at the Heatherpointe event as well. Councilor Churchwell stated that he attended both the Innsbrooke and Heatherpointe events.

**Education:** Mayor Sanders mentioned the PVHS PTSA will host a work day at the high school on, Saturday, August 13, 2011, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Mayor Sanders announced there will be a Back to School Community Meeting at PVHS on, Monday, August 8, 2011, at 6:00 p.m.

**Enhancements:** Councilor McCain announced that the city will host a Shred-A-Thon on, Saturday, August 13, 2011, from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at City Hall.

**Mayor's Report:** Mayor Sanders reported that our Dump Truck has arrived and we plan to use it for mutual disaster aid when needed. Mayor Sanders stated that it has already been in use at Pinson Elementary School.

Mayor Sanders stated that the dedication/ribbon cutting for the new traffic signal at Pinson Valley High School is planned for, Friday, August 12, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. and invite the family of the Special Deputy that was killed there in 1984. Mayor Sanders added that if it rains the dedication service would be moved to the breezeway of the High School.

Mayor Sanders presented for first reading a quote for fencing repair and a new gate at PVYA.

Mayor Sanders mentioned that the HVAC at the Pinson Community Center had to be serviced and parts were ordered for further maintenance.

Mayor Sanders mentioned that Alabama Butterbean Festival Committee and Clay-Pinson Chamber of Commerce will have a Main Street Clean up Day on, Saturday, August 13, 2011, in preparation of the Alabama Butterbean Festival. The rain day will be, Saturday, August 20, 2011.

Mayor Sanders announced that the Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on, August 15, 2011. Mayor Sanders added that at this meeting the commission will hold mock cases in preparation of the city taking over zoning in Pinson, which is planned to begin, January 1, 2012.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** Councilor Churchwell offered a first reading of an ordinance setting qualification fees, regarding candidates seeking election for Mayor or councilmember.

Councilor Shelnett stated that the 48 hour rule for voting on ordinances and resolutions does not include "simple motions" at this time, therefore allowing council to make a motion and vote on any item without it being listed on the agenda. Councilor Shelnett made a motion to include "simple motions" in the 48 hour rule. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Mayor Sanders asked Councilor Shelnett if he was referring to the NLC motion made by Councilor Churchwell. Councilor Shelnett, yes. Mayor Sanders stated that in 2007 or 2008 you (Councilor Shelnett) made the same type of motion. Mayor Sanders called for any further discussion. Councilor Churchwell asked Councilor Shelnett if this was for any motion of any amount. Councilor Shelnett stated anything over \$500.00. Mayor Sanders called for any further discussion. As there was no further discussion, Mayor Sanders called for a second to the motion. Mayor Sanders, motion fails due to lack of second.

Councilor Shelnett left the City Council meeting. Councilor Cochran asked that it be noted that Councilor Shelnett stormed out of Council Chambers at 7:19 p.m., stating I'm not needed here.

Councilor Cochran made a motion to authorize the purchase of a through wall HVAC unit for the PVYA concession stand, at a cost of approximately \$750.00. 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 Cochran made a motion to purchase a DVR to go with the camera system at PVYA in the Baseball Facility, at a cost of approximately \$700.00, and 2, 27 foot aluminum benches for the football field, at a cost of approximately \$1,300.00, total for both approximately \$2,000.00. 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 Comment:**

Robbie Roberts and Stanley Moss introduced April Wallace, Library Director.

Mrs. Wallace thanked the Library Board for the opportunity to serve as Library Director stating that she is very excited to be a part of the new library.

Mayor Sanders added that Mrs. Wallace has a Masters of Library Science from the University of Alabama. Councilor Churchwell added that Mrs. Wallace's husband is a Librarian at Vestavia Hills.

Stanley Moss announced that the Pinson Rock School Reunion will be held on, Saturday, August 13, 2011, 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., in the basement of Pinson United Methodist Church.

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

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 15 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 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marie Turner, City Clerk

**August 4, 2011 Minutes Adopted \_\_\_\_\_**