

Council Minutes
September 1, 2011 – 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session in Council Chambers at 4410 Main Street on Thursday, September 1, 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 Shelnutt
Councilor Churchwell
Councilor McCain

Minutes: Councilor Shelnutt made a motion to waive the reading of the August 18, 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 18, 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."

Committee Chair Comments:

Finance: Councilor Tanner made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$38,092.74, a copy of the bills schedule is attached. 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 Safety: Councilor Cochran reminded everyone of the Graduated Driver's License Law and stated that copies of that law are on the table in the back of council chambers.

Education: Mayor Sanders mentioned that council had received a thank you note for both the monetary and physical help at the PVHS Work Day.

Enhancements: Councilor McCain made a motion that the city hosts a Veteran's Day Luncheon on, Thursday, November 10, 2011, at a cost of approximately \$1,000.00. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Councilor McCain mentioned that the luncheon would begin at 11:30 a.m., and be held at Pinson United Methodist Church. Councilor Churchwell stated that the luncheon was well received by the Veterans that were in attendance last year. Councilor Tanner stated that there was someone there from every branch of service. Mayor Sanders called for any further discussion. As there was no further 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's Report: Councilor Cochran made a motion to authorize the 3rd phase of paving at PVYA at a cost of approximately \$17,700.00. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Councilor Tanner asked if speed bumps could be installed. Mayor Sanders stated that the emergency services personnel do not like speed bumps but we could install speed limit signs. Councilor Tanner stated that she thought that might be helpful. Mayor Sanders called for any further discussion. As there was no further 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 the progress in the new Library continues with several items being received in the past week.

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

Mayor Sanders mentioned that the demolition of the Glen Brook property is complete and the clean up continues.

Mayor Sanders announced that the owner of the Food Giant Center is planning to transition from a privately run Package Store to a publically run ABC Store. The proposed store would be in a less focal position in the shopping center. The County Zoning Department approved the location at the BZA meeting held on August 22, 2011.

Old Business: Councilor Churchwell presented council with several different signage options for the new Library and City Hall. Mayor Sanders stated that council would look over the options and consider later.

Mayor Sanders congratulated Councilor Cochran and Councilor McCain for receiving their Advanced CMO Training Award.

New Business: Mayor Sanders stated that the NLC preliminary schedule is in council's packet as well as Voting Delegate form.

Councilor Cochran made a motion naming Councilor Churchwell as Voting Delegate and Councilor Tanner as Alternate Voting Delegate for the NLC Convention in Phoenix, AZ. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Councilor Shelnutt asked what they would be voting on. Mayor Sanders stated voting is usually on resolutions, interest of the organization, dates for future conventions, etc. Mayor Sanders called for any further discussion. As there was no further 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 Shelnutt asked what is on the agenda for the NLC Convention that would be beneficial for the city. Mayor Sanders stated that everything is beneficial. Councilor Tanner stated that at this convention you will normally find the smaller cities in

attendance, 10,000 and under, and most of the sessions will be geared toward the smaller cities with things like grant programs, etc. Councilor Tanner added that there are always Round Table discussion with cities that compare to ours and other Breakout Sessions. Councilor Tanner stated the she has learned a lot from other cities that were established many years ago. Councilor Churchwell stated that there will be discussions on Economic Development, Green Cities, Infrastructure, and Prescription Discount Card Programs for Citizens.

Councilor Shelnutt asked if anyone else will be going. Councilor Churchwell stated that his wife plans to attend but the City will not pay for any of her expenses. Councilor Shelnutt questioned whether the new ethics law would allow for Councilor Churchwell's wife to attend since they would be sharing a hotel room that the city is paying for. Attorney Black stated that he was not aware of any problems with the new ethics law, but will check and let council know of his findings.

Mayor Sanders offered a first reading of a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract amendment with the Jefferson County Sheriff for added Law Enforcement.

Mayor Sanders offered a first reading of a resolution to establish the position of Zoning Official.

Mayor Sanders offered a first reading of a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a License Agreement concerning certain property

Public Comment:

- 1.) Pete Chandler, 4450 Silver Lake Road. Mr. Chandler stated that he is glad the city plans to host another Veterans Day Luncheon because everyone really enjoyed last year's event.
- 2.) Taylor Steele, Turkey Creek Nature Preserve. Mr. Steele stated that the recycling trailer is a tandem trailer and will be the color of the school's football team. Mr. Steele added that ETA for the trailer is around the first of October.

Councilor Churchwell stated that he felt that we should get rid of the Oil Bin before the opening of the Library because no one uses it. Mayor Sanders stated that the ballparks concession stands, and churches use it and the county keeps it emptied regularly. Mayor Sanders stated that the plan is to move it to the far side of the building once the library is open.

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

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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

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