

Council Minutes
June 2, 2011 – 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session in Council Chambers at 4410 Main Street on Thursday, June 2, 2011. Mayor Sanders led the invocation. Councilor Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Sanders appointed, Anje May, as acting City Clerk.

Roll Call: Anje May, Acting 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 May 19, 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 May 19, 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 Reports:

Finance: Councilor Tanner made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$43,380.92; a copy of the bills schedule is attached. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Mayor Sanders mentioned that a portion of the bill was the mortgage and Sheriff. 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."

Enhancements: Councilor McCain mentioned there was high attendance at the second movie. Mayor Sanders stated there were over 200 in attendance. Councilor McCain made a motion to host "Beat the Heat" at Turkey Creek and provide popsicles. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Mayor Sanders stated that most of the popsicles were donated last year. Councilor Cochran asked that a budget of \$400.00 be set. Mayor Sanders called for all opposed to say "no", all in favor say "aye." Mayor Sanders said "Let the record reflect that the motion passed unanimously."

Education: Mayor Sanders stated "Let the record reflect that the 2011-2012 Education Committee is appointed;" the list is attached. Mayor Sanders mentioned that there may be some changes in the committee when the Vice Principals are announced.

Mayor Sanders mentioned that the back to school meeting will be in August located at PVHS. Councilor Cochran mentioned July Jumpstart at PVHS for freshmen. Councilor Cochran stated that they will need volunteers.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Sanders reported that the floors have been waxed. Mayor Sanders stated that the Library Board will carpet the two front rooms so they were not serviced. Mayor Sanders stated their plan is to use the same carpet as the council chambers.

Old Business: Mayor Sanders asked Attorney Black to explain the code change in the proposed weed and litter ordinance. Attorney Black explained the change in the code that was passed last year by the legislature to allow the City to enforce liens.

Mayor Sanders called for any discussion on the proposed weed and litter ordinance. As there was no 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 Shelnutt-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes; Councilor McCain-yes.

Mayor Sanders, ordinance adopted unanimously as Ordinance number 2011-09.

Councilor Tanner made a motion to adopt the 2011-2012 fiscal year budget. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders stated there are few changes; the significant change is in the city promotion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Mayor Sanders mentioned the significant change from last year is the funds for the four contract cars, the library, PVYA/PHCC improvements, and the school fund. Councilor Shelnutt asked what the committee vote on recommending adopting the budget was. Councilor Tanner stated three. Councilor Shelnutt asked for the names of who voted. Councilor Tanner stated Mayor Sanders, Liz Reiff and I. Councilor Churchwell stated this will be the first budget to exceed one million.

Mayor Sanders called for any further discussion. As there was no further discussion, Mayor Sanders asked for a roll call vote on the main motion with the following results: Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Cochran-yes; Councilor Shelnutt-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes; Councilor McCain-yes. Mayor Sanders said "Let the record reflect that the motion passed unanimously."

Councilor Churchwell made a motion to authorize the Mayor and the Treasurer to invest money in the best interest of the City at Hometown Bank. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Mayor Sanders stated Hometown Bank is a S.A.F.E. Bank. Councilor Churchwell stated this is another instance where the City is using local banks. Mayor Sanders called for any further discussion. As there was no further discussion, Mayor Sanders asked for a roll call vote on the main motion with the following results: Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Cochran-yes; Councilor Shelnutt-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes; Councilor McCain-yes. Mayor Sanders said "Let the record reflect that the motion passed unanimously."

Councilor Cochran mentioned that the trash receptacles for PVYA are going to be around \$350.00, but wants to wait until after the League of Municipalities Conference to buy because of the different vendors that will attend the Conference.

New Business: Mayor Sanders mentioned Ronnie Dixon has been secured by the Chamber to be the interim director. Mayor Sanders stated that he spoke with Becky Johnson and was informed there were no vacancies on the chamber and no one else has resigned as of today.

Councilor Cochran mentioned that he arrived Friday at the ICSC Convention and came back on Wednesday. Councilor Cochran stated he met with a great number of contractors, retailers, and different representatives. Councilor Cochran mentioned that the convention was a very successful trip.

Councilor Cochran stated that tentatively the Public Safety Committee will meet on June 14.

Public Comment: None

Councilor Cochran made a motion to enter into executive session for purpose to discuss litigation, trade, and real estate. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion.

Attorney Black, according to the Alabama Open Meetings Law, I provide certification that this Executive Session is necessary to discuss pending and/or threatening litigation.

Mayor Sanders, I provide certification in regard to trade and commerce, it would be detrimental if items were discussed in open forum.

Councilor Cochran, 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 30 minutes. Mayor Sanders added that we will progress leisurely to the back, feel free to talk with us if you would like. Mayor Sanders dismissed Anje May as acting City Clerk and appointed Councilor Tanner as acting City Clerk.

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 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Anje May, Acting City Clerk

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