

Council Minutes  
January 19, 2017 – 7:00 p.m.  
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session in Council Chambers at 4410 Main Street on Thursday, January 19, 2017. 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 Galamore  
Councilor Roberts  
Councilor Churchwell  
Councilor McCain

**Minutes:** Councilor Roberts offered a motion to waive the reading of the December 15, 2016, minutes. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for all opposed to say "no", all in favor say "aye." Councilor McCain made a motion to accept the minutes as written of the December 15, 2016, meeting. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. As there was no discussion, Mayor Sanders called for all opposed to say "no", all in favor say "aye." Mayor Sanders" Let the record reflect both motions passed unanimously."

Councilor Roberts offered a motion to waive the reading of the January 5, 2017, minutes. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for all opposed to say "no", all in favor say "aye." Councilor Churchwell made a motion to accept the minutes as written of the January 5, 2017, meeting. Councilor Galamore duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. As there was no discussion, Mayor Sanders called for all opposed to say "no", all in favor say "aye." Mayor Sanders" Let the record reflect both motions passed unanimously."

**Committee Chair Comments:**

**Finance:** Councilor Tanner made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$60,873.33 a copy of the bills schedule is attached. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Councilor Tanner stated the largest bill is to Jefferson County Sheriff's Office for \$21,000.00. Mayor Sanders called for any further discussion. As there was no further discussion, Mayor Sanders called for all opposed to say "no", all in favor say "aye". Mayor Sanders "Let the record reflect the motion passed unanimously."

Councilor Tanner offered an ordinance of the City of Pinson, Alabama, to exempt certain "covered items" from the municipal sales and use tax during the first full weekend of August 2017, as authorized by § 40-23-213 of the Code of Alabama, generally referred to as the State

Sales Tax Holiday Legislation and certain emergency preparedness items under Act number 2-12-256, February 24-26, 2017. Councilor Roberts duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. As there was no discussion, Mayor Sanders called for a roll call vote with the following results:

Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Galamore-yes; Councilor Roberts-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes; Councilor McCain-yes.

**Mayor Sanders, ordinance passes unanimously as, Ordinance 2017-6.**

**Mayor's Report:** Mayor Sanders reported the City has received a grant award for the Storm Shelter for First Responders and the Community. Mayor Sanders added the total amount is \$170,182.00, which \$127,637.00 will be paid by the Federal grant which will leave \$42,545.00 for the city to pay.

Mayor Sanders stated the position of Library Director is now open. Anyone interested should contact the Library.

**Old Business:** Councilor McCain offered a resolution to establish the position of Mowing Crew Leader Assistant. Councilor Roberts duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. As there was no discussion, Mayor Sanders called for a roll call vote with the following results:

Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Galamore-yes; Councilor Roberts-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes; Councilor McCain-yes.

**Mayor Sanders, resolution passes unanimously as Resolution 17-3.**

Councilor McCain offered a resolution authorizing the Mayor to receive bids for a tractor with loader and other attachments; said bids to be returned by the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2017, at 2:00 p.m. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. As there was no discussion, Mayor Sanders called for a roll call vote with the following results:

Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Galamore-yes; Councilor Roberts-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes; Councilor McCain-yes.

**Mayor Sanders, resolution passes unanimously as Resolution 17-4.**

Councilor Galamore presented council with a digital computer rendering of the City Seal.

Attorney Black made a special comment regarding Heatherpointe Subdivision's roads that were paved by the City of Pinson several years ago because the Subdivision Developer did not finish them. Attorney Black explained that a lien was placed on the properties the developer owned in order to reimburse the city for the paving. Attorney Black added the developer has now sold some of those properties and the lien has been removed. Attorney Black presented the city with a check in the amount of \$90,600.00 to reimburse the city for the paving expense. Mayor Sanders

stated we appreciate this and glad it worked out. Mayor Sanders added we will deposit in the Miscellaneous Road bank account.

Mayor Sanders opened the Public Hearing regarding abatement cost for 4169 Powell Avenue. Mayor Sanders, "Let the record reflect no one was present to comment for or against". Mayor Sanders closed the Public Hearing.

Councilor Roberts offered a resolution ascertaining, fixing and determining the amount of assessment to be charged as a lien on the property known as 4169 Powell Avenue, Pinson, Alabama, 35126; Parcel ID# 09-00-31-3-002-017.000, in the City of Pinson, Alabama, as a result of the City ordering the demolition of the building on the property pursuant to ordinance no. 2016-16, in the amount of \$11,691,24. Councilor Galamore duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. As there was no discussion, Mayor Sanders called for a roll call vote on the main resolution with the following results:

Mayor Sanders-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Galamore-yes; Councilor Roberts-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes; Councilor McCain-yes.

#### **Mayor Sanders, resolution passes unanimously as Resolution 17-5.**

**New Business:** Councilor Tanner offered a motion to assist PVHS Football Program with the following bills: Birmingham Water Works-\$2,471.81; Gameday Field Maintenance-\$2,553.00; Building Specialties-\$892.00; Team Sports, Helmet Reconditioning-\$4,800.00, for a total assistance of \$10,416.81. 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, "Let the record reflect the motion passed unanimously.

Councilor Tanner offered a motion to approve \$1,000.00 for a double gate for the PVHS Girl's Softball Field, adding the team has \$300.00 in their account to help with the gate. Councilor Roberts 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, "Let the record reflect the motion passed unanimously.

Councilor Tanner mentioned the first PVHS Girl's Softball Tournament will be in March and they will probably need assistance with parking and our golf carts.

Mayor Sanders introduced Dr. Pouncey, Jefferson County Board of Education and Mr. Michael Turner, Principal, Pinson Valley High School. Dr. Pouncey and Mr. Turner spoke to the recent announcement of Pinson Valley High School being named as a failing school.

**Public Comment:** Joe Cochran, 4951 Sycamore Lane. Mr. Cochran appreciates the message from the Principal and Dr. Pouncey adding Mr. Turner is doing a remarkable job.

Karen Jones, 4450 South Drive. Ms. Jones asked why Jefferson County School system no longer recognizes Valedictorian or Salutatorian. Ms. Jones added she feels they should be recognized. Dr. Pouncey stated they are committed to looking at that with Ms. Montalto.

Randy Peoples, 5131 Goldleaf Lane. Mr. Peoples stated he has learned a lot tonight and thanked the city for their support to our schools.

Pam Johnson, 9656 Silly Dean Road. Ms. Johnson asked what we are doing today and tomorrow to change the perspective people have about our school. Mr. Turner stated, Dr. Pouncey shared the information with you and now you are armed with the truth to share. Councilor Galamore stated we have to be our own advocate. Mr. Turner added we plan to prepare 10<sup>th</sup> graders for testing in April. Councilor Galamore added that she is the Math Interventionist and she is working with 10<sup>th</sup> graders.

Maggie Thomas, 7685 McCombs Mill Road. Ms. Thomas stated her daughter was pulled from class, adding she doesn't struggle with math. Ms. Thomas stated her daughter was told it was easier to bring the top kids up than the bottom kids. Councilor Galamore explained they are pulling those students that are decent in math first and there is a plan for the other students as well. Councilor Galamore added, it takes time to reach everyone but they are committed to reach every student in time.

Traci Thompson, 6408 Sunrise Lane. Ms. Thompson stated her child does struggle with math and she understands they are trying to move the needle quicker and make the gap smaller. Councilor Galamore stated it is their goal to move all students forward, 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>.

Councilor McCain 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 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marie Turner, City Clerk

**Bills: 01-19-2017**

Birmingham Water	City Hall-	\$91.07
	Rock School-	\$61.29
	Community	
	Center-	\$71.10
	Triangle Park-	\$25.16
	Spring Street-	\$18.11
	PHCC-	\$233.71
	PYSC-	\$160.77
	Innsbrook	\$17.27
	Bicentennial-	\$224.29
Regions Bank-		\$3,237.99
Trussville Utilities-	City Hall-	\$437.82
	Community	
	Center-	\$179.40
	Rock School-	\$1,311.96
	Bicentennial-	\$131.07
Pitney bowes-		<b>\$324.97</b>
VC3-		\$1,199.25
IIMC-		\$260.00
Best Insurance- Roberts		\$560.00
Greater Birmingham Humane Society		\$798.00
See Click Fix-		\$4,800.00
InCare Technologies-		\$39.95
Hand Arendall-		\$3,600.61
Jefferson County Sheriff Office-		\$21,243.14
Edgewire Digital-		\$20.00
Pike's Plumbing- City Hall		\$250.00
J.A. Dawson- Bicentennial Park		<b>\$4,948.39</b>
BSN Sports- PYSC		\$255.00
Alabama Recreation & Parks Assoc.- Park		\$375.00
Utilities Board of Oneonta-PHCC		\$8.56
Kyocera- Library		\$86.89
Demco- Library- State Aid Account-		\$407.52
Hoopla-Library		\$367.19
Ingram- Library		\$459.08
AT&T- Library		\$802.64
JCLC- Library		\$67.41
T-Mobile- Library		\$215.81
Dell- Library		\$134.03
Argo Power Equipment- (Misc Rd.)-		
Bicentennial		\$8,799.20
Waste pro- (7/2)-		\$264.36
Alabama Power- (7/2)		\$1,601.32
Sweeping Corp.- (7/2)-		\$1,450.00
Call-A-Haul- (7/2)-		<u>\$1,334.00</u>
	Total:	<b>\$60,873.33</b>

Hand Arendall- (to be paid 2/2/17)- \$  
3,226.80

Account Balances @ 11/30/2016:

Regions General Fund      \$ 758,672.08

Regions MM Capital Fund      67,611.99

Regions Debt.Srv.Rock Sch.      3,210.73

Account Balances @ 12/30/16

Wells Fargo 4-6-5      105,572.48

Wells Fargo 7-2      115,524.63

Wells Fargo Misc. Road      29,219.04

Hometown Library Fund      2,978.99

Reserve CD @ 07/01/16      \$253,595.97