Council Minutes

September 7,2023

Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session at Pinson City Hall at 4410 Main Street, Pinson, on Thursday, September 7, 2023. Councilor Roberts led the invocation. Councilor Walker led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**Roll Call:** Jacqueline Williams, Acting City Clerk, called roll of Pinson City Council with the following members present:

Councilor Irvin

Mayor Pro Tem Roberts

Councilor Churchwell

Councilor Kirkland

Councilor Walker

Mayor Cochran

**Minutes:** Councilor Kirkland offered a motion to waive the reading of and approve the minutes from August 17, 2023. Councilor Walker duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for all in favor say ‘aye’, all opposed say ‘no’. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, “let the record reflect the ‘ayes’ carry unanimously.”**

Mayor Pro Tem Roberts suspended the rules.

Representative Danny Garrett presented the Center Point Fire District with a check to support all that they do for the City of Pinson as well as the City of Clay. He also presented the council a check in the amount of $20,000 through the Jefferson County Community Service fund.

Eric Hendon, with Hendon and Huckstein, brought council proposed drawings for the renovations at the Rock School Complex. He mentioned the budget that was given to him by the Mayor was $350,000. He also mentioned the goal brought to him was to upgrade the interior portion of the facility.

Mayor Pro Tem Roberts reinstated the rules.

**Committee Chair Reports:**

**Finance:** Councilor Irvin offered a motion to approve the bills in the amount of $156,023.87. Councilor Kirkland duly seconded the motion. Highlights on the bills included $37,000 for Tyler Technology, $11,000 for the Park and Recreation sign as well as $12,000 for Park and Recreation sports uniforms. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for all in favor say ‘aye’, all opposed say ‘no’. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, “let the record reflect the ‘ayes’ carry unanimously.”**

**Planning and Zoning:** Mayor Pro Tem Roberts suspended the rules.

Mayor Pro Tem Roberts opened a public hearing regarding the rezoning of 4024, 4032, and 4027 Main Street. Seeing no one to speak for or against, Mayor Pro Tem Roberts closed the public hearing.

Mayor Pro Tem Roberts reinstated the rules.

Councilor Walker offered an Ordinance changing the zoning classification of 4024, 4032, and 4027 Main Street. Mayor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for a roll call vote for unanimous consent to consider with the following results: Councilor Irvin- yes, Mayor Pro Tem Roberts- yes, Councilor Churchwell- yes, Councilor Kirkland- yes, Mayor Cochran- yes. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, “let the record reflect unanimous consent passes.”** Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for a roll call vote on the main Ordinance with the following results: Councilor Irvin- yes, Mayor Pro Tem Roberts- yes, Councilor Churchwell- yes, Councilor Kirland- yes, Mayor Cochran-yes**. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, “let the record reflect that passes as Ordinance 2023-15.”**

**Enhancements:** Councilor Irvin announced National Day Out will take place on September 19, 2023, starting at 6:00 p.m. at Pinson Bicentennial Park. Councilor Roberts mentioned City of Clay will be participating with the city by providing desserts.

**Old Business:** Mayor Cochran offered an Ordinance amending Ordinance 2023-08 regarding the credit card procedure. Councilor Walker duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for a roll call vote for unanimous consent to consider with the following results: Councilor Irvin- yes, Mayor Pro Tem Roberts- yes, Councilor Churchwell- yes, Councilor Kirkland- yes, Mayor Cochran- yes. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, “let the record reflect unanimous consent passes.”** Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for a roll call vote on the main Ordinance with the following results: Councilor Irvin- yes, Mayor Pro Tem Roberts- yes, Councilor Churchwell- yes, Councilor Kirland- yes, Mayor Cochran-yes**. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, “let the record reflect that passes as Ordinance 2023-16.”**

**New Business:** Councilor Kirkland offered a Resolution regarding the credit card processing contract. Mayor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts mentioned this Resolution will terminate the contract with the previous credit card company and will allow the Mayor to enter into a contract with the new company. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for a roll call vote on the main Resolution with the following results: Councilor Irvin- yes, Councilor Walker- yes, Mayor Pro Tem Roberts- yes, Councilor Churchwell- yes, Councilor Kirkland- yes, Mayor Cochran- yes. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, “let the record reflect that passes as Resolution 23-18.”**

Councilor Churchwell offered a motion to approve the request from ClasTran for financial assistance in the amount of $500.00. Councilor Irvin duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for all in favor say ‘aye’, all opposed say ‘no’. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, “let the record reflect the ‘ayes’ carry unanimously.”**

Mayor Pro Tem Roberts suspended the rules.

Bob Jones, retired Zoning Official, presented the Council with drawings from the engineer pertaining to Highway 79. Bob Jones mentioned that the Council has already approved the job and that he was reviewing the options and going over the details of the project.

Mayor Pro Tem Roberts reinstated the rules.

**Public Comment:** Mayor Pro Tem Roberts opened the floor for public comment.

Deidra Ruff, 4055 Ruff Road, announced the movie premiere of “Frienemies for Life” will take place at the Rock School Complex. She also mentioned there is a $20 admission that will go towards Pinson Valey Arts Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Roberts asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Councilor Walker offered a motion to adjourn. Councilor Irvin duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Roberts called for all in favor say ‘aye’, all opposed say ‘no’. **Mayor Pro Tem Roberts, “let the record reflect the ‘ayes’ carry and we are adjourned.”**

Adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Turner City Clerk