

Council Minutes
March 3, 2022
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session at Pinson City Hall at 4410 Main Street, Pinson, on Thursday, March 3, 2022. Councilor Roberts led the invocation. Councilor Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Cochran appointed Heather Lind, Acting City Clerk.

Roll Call: Heather Lind, Acting City Clerk, called roll of Pinson City Council with the following council members present:

Councilor Tanner
Councilor Roberts
Councilor Churchwell
Councilor Kirkland
Mayor Cochran
Absent: Councilor Walker

Minutes: Councilor Roberts offered a motion to waive the reading of and approve the minutes from the February 24 meeting. Councilor Kirkland duly seconded the motion. Mayor Cochran called for any additional comments. Seeing none, Mayor Cochran called for all in favor to say “aye” all opposed to say no. **Mayor Cochran ‘let the record reflect that passes unanimously’.**

Christmas Parade Winners: Mayor Cochran presented checks to two 2021 Christmas Parade Float Winners who were present, including 1st Baptist Church of Pinson, and Matt Nixon, Park and Recreation Director, City of Pinson, accepted the third-place award on behalf of Pinson 8U Softball.

Fire District Reports: Deputy Chief Archer of Palmerdale Fire Department gave the Fire District Report.

Committee Chair Reports:

Finance: Councilor Tanner offered a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$242,497. Councilor Roberts duly seconded the motion. Mayor Cochran called for any highlights. Councilor Tanner mentioned the bills for Jefferson County Sheriff’s Deputies for \$34,00.00, Milam & Co. \$172,063.67 to Milam and Company for work at the park. Mayor Cochran explained the payments to Milam and Co. Seeing no further discussion, Mayor Cochran stated there is no further discussion and called for all in favor to say “aye” all opposed to say "no". **Mayor Cochran "Let the record reflect the ayes carry."**

Mayor’s Report: Mayor Cochran announced that Trade Day was happening this Saturday from 9:00-2:00. Councilor Kirkland encouraged everyone to come out and announced there would be

more vendors including a new food truck, Price's Ice Cream. Mayor Cochran added that Barking Bee Coffee will both be open but if it rains it will be postponed to the next week.

Old Business:

Mayor Cochran suspended rules. Bob Jones, Zoning Administrator, City of Pinson, spoke about traffic calming devices for Vise Road and spoke about the quote, stating signs will have to be purchased separately. **Mayor Cochran reinstated rules.**

Councilor Kirkland offered a motion to introduce a resolution approving a contract between the city and Jefferson County AL concerning supplemental speed control devices on certain streets. Councilor Roberts duly seconded the motion. Mayor Cochran called for a roll call vote with the following results: Councilor Tanner-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Churchwell-yes, Councilor Kirkland-yes, Mayor Cochran – yes. **Mayor Cochran 'let the record reflect that passes unanimously as Resolution 22-08'.**

Councilor Roberts offered a motion to authorize the mayor to purchase the items as shown from Traffic Logix and Signs in the amount of \$5,000.00. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion. Mayor Cochran called for any further discussion. Seeing none, Mayor Cochran called for all in favor to say 'aye', all opposed to say 'no'. **Mayor Cochran, 'let the record reflect that passes unanimously'.**

Councilor Tanner opted to wait for a full council before discussing the Feasibility Study for the public school system.

Mayor Cochran mentioned that a fence quote had been obtained but other quotes were pending, and this would be put aside for today.

New Business:

Mayor Cochran gave the council a First Reading packet from Martin Engineering regarding flood plain mitigation and announced that Martin Engineering would come to a future meeting to discuss.

Councilor Churchwell offered a motion to approve Campbell's Paving proposal for Palmerdale gravel lot graded, edges defined, and grass removed for \$23,300.00 plus approximately \$600.00 for expedited delivery of material. Councilor Roberts duly seconded the motion. Mayor Cochran explained that this was dealing with the parking lot for the Palmerdale Homestead Community Center. Mayor Cochran called for any further discussion. Seeing none, Mayor Cochran called for all in favor to say 'aye' all opposed to say 'no'. **Mayor Cochran, 'let the record reflect that passed unanimously'.**

Councilor Tanner made a motion for Movies in the Park to start on May 27th and ending August 5th every other week. Councilor Kirkland duly seconded the motion. Mayor Cochran explained that Matt Nixon, Parks and Recreation Director, is getting a quote for a new system to show movies. Mayor Cochran suspended rules to allow Matt Nixon, Park and Recreation Director, to speak about the prospective equipment. Mayor Cochran called for any discussion.

Councilor Tanner asked if it was wireless, and Director Nixon replied that it was. Director Nixon also spoke about an adult Pinson co-ed softball team. Seeing none, Mayor Cochran called for all in favor to say 'aye' all opposed to say 'no'. **Mayor Cochran 'let the record reflect the ayes carry unanimously'**.

Councilor Tanner mentioned that City Fest will be May 7th from 10-2 PM and added that there will be arts and crafts vendors and encouraged people to using the application that will be available on the city's website from and it will be free.

Councilor Roberts spoke about the feasibility study, mentioning his talks with citizens and Dr. Gonsoulin and the school board and addressed several issues concerning the school. Mayor Cochran and Councilor Churchwell joined the discussion.

Public Comment: Mayor Cochran called for Public Comment.

Pam Johnson, 9659 Silley Dean Road, spoke about a meeting she had with Dr. Gonsoulin.

Larry Vincent, 5061 Gold Leaf Lane voiced revenue concerns surrounding creating a school system.

Tracy Thompson, 6408 Sunrise Lane, spoke about a meeting with Dr. Gonsoulin and talked about other issues surrounding the school system.

Stephanie Floyd of 4551 Canterbury Lane state that she is running for a seat on the school board and was here to get more information.

Dorland Terry, 5455 Miles Springs Rd thanked the Mayor and Council for repairs and mentioned that he is meeting with Jefferson County Public Works tomorrow about North Valley Road and will update the council at the next meeting.

Councilor Churchwell offered a motion to adjourn. Councilor Kirkland duly seconded the motion. Mayor Cochran called for all in favor to say 'aye' all opposed to say 'no'.

Mayor Cochran, **'let the record reflect the 'ayes' carry; we are hereby adjourned'**.

Adjourned at 8:16

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Lind, Acting City Clerk

Bills: 3-3-2022						
Alabama Power	PYSC-	\$264.40	<u>Account Balances @ 01/31/2022:</u>			
	Rock School-	\$3,891.73	Regions General Fund	\$2,097,002.45		
	Box Cam	\$2,166.71	Regions MM Capital Fund	\$76,897.08		
	Storm Shelter	\$79.35	Hometown Library Fund	\$3,811.69		
Birmingham Water Works	PHCC	\$219.32	Hometown 4-6-5	\$314,384.86		
	City Hall	\$133.48	Hometown 7-2	\$25,272.81		
	Bradford	\$27.31	Hometown Misc. Road	\$39,075.66		
	PYSC	\$197.68	Hometown 10 cent tax	\$28,342.60		
AT&T		\$96.70	Hometown Saving Acct	\$562,554.45		
Borland Benefield		\$7,215.00	(Hometown Savings Account as of 01/31)			
Jefferson County Sheriff's Office		\$34,000.00				
Darryl Dailey		\$350.00				
Hand Arendall Harrison		\$381.71				
Xerox		\$40.81				
Shunte' Arnold		\$350.00				
Sanitary Rug Cleaners		\$1,241.00				
Milam & Co.		\$172,063.67				
Latta Plumbing		\$3,346.43				
Zoobean Inc	Library	\$675.50				
Ameritek	Library	\$229.23				
Midwest Tape	Library	\$22.48				
Amazon	Library	\$3,120.60				
Dell Financial Services	Library	\$469.11				
The Book Farm	Library	\$1,889.35				
Jeffeson County Library Coop	Library	\$295.00				
Metro Trailer	PYSC	\$40.00				
Roebuck Lumber Company	PYSC	\$4,157.32				
Kellis Turfgrass Management	PYSC	\$1,032.15				
City of Gadsden Parks & Rec	PYSC	\$450.00				
USA Softball	PYSC	\$75.00				
Mayer	Public Works	\$974.80				
Cintas	Public Works	\$417.82				
Argo Power	Public Works	\$202.71				
Verizon (Misc. Road)		\$277.50				
Wex (Misc. Road)		\$2,103.38				
	Total:	\$242,497.25				