

Council Minutes  
September 1, 2022  
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session at Pinson City Hall at 4410 Main Street, Pinson, on Thursday, September 1, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. Councilor Churchwell led the invocation. Councilor Walker 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:

Councilor Irvin  
Councilor Walker  
Councilor Churchwell  
Councilor Kirkland  
Mayor Cochran  
**Absent:**  
Councilor Roberts

**Minutes:** Councilor Walker offered a motion to waive the reading of and approve the minutes from August 18, 2022. Councilor Irvin duly seconded the motion. Mayor Cochran called for all in favor to say 'aye', opposed to say 'no'. **Mayor Cochran "let the record reflect the ayes carry unanimously."**

Mayor Cochran asked for Councilor Walker to read the Proclamation declaring September Alopecia Areata Awareness Month. Sandy Greene accepted the Proclamation and expressed her gratitude. She also announced that her first ever Alopecia Awareness Walk will take place in Vestavia Hills on September 17, from 8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.

Mayor Cochran asked for Councilor Churchwell to read the Proclamation regarding the Retirement of Bob Jones. Bob Jones accepted the Proclamation and expressed his appreciation to the city for the time he has had. Hoyt Sanders spoke on his appreciation for Bob Jones' service to the city.

**Committee Chair Reports:**

**Finance:** Councilor Irvin offered a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$68,777.56. Councilor Walker 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 unanimously."**

**Enhancements:** Councilor Kirkland announced that Trade Days would be taking place Saturday, September 3rd from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and encouraged everyone to come out.

**Planning and Zoning:** Mayor Cochran opened the Public Hearing to report the costs of demolition for 5237 Dewey Heights Road. As there was no one present to speak for or against, Mayor Cochran closed the Public Hearing.

Councilor Kirkland offered a motion to approve the Resolution determining the amount of assessment to be charged as a lien for the property 5237 Dewey Heights Road, in the amount of \$7,971.42. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion. Mayor Cochran called for a roll call vote with the following results: Councilor Irvin- yes, Councilor Walker- yes, Councilor Churchwell- yes, Councilor Kirkland- yes, Mayor Cochran- yes. **Mayor Cochran- “let the record reflect that passes unanimously as Resolution 22-29.”**

Councilor Kirkland offered a motion to approve an Ordinance changing the zoning classification located at 6121 Sunrise Drive to Industrial Heavy. Councilor Irvin duly seconded the motion. Mayor Cochran called for a unanimous consent to consider with the following results: Councilor Irvin- yes, Councilor Walker- yes, Councilor Churchwell- yes, Councilor Kirkland- yes, Mayor Cochran- yes. Mayor Cochran, “unanimous consent passes.” Mayor Cochran called for a roll call vote with the following results: Councilor Irvin- yes, Councilor Walker- yes, Councilor Churchwell- yes, Councilor Kirkland- yes, Mayor Cochran- yes. **Mayor Cochran “Let the record reflect that passes unanimously as Ordinance 2022-19.”**

**Mayor’s Report:** Mayor Cochran reported the closing of 7520 Faucet Cut Off Road took place on Monday, August 29th. He mentioned that the property has six acres and sits next to the Pinson Youth Sports Complex allowing the city to expand the park in the future. Mayor Cochran also mentioned that the locksmith has been contacted to switch out the locks and doorhandles.

Mayor Cochran spoke about the city taking over the management of the Palmerdale Homestead Community Center as of September 1, 2022. The PHCC is still a 503c organization under the Chamber allowing them to continue to do charity work.

**Old Business:** Mayor Cochran spoke about the temporary rental agreement that is in place to rent out the Palmerdale Homestead Community. Council had no additions or deletions to the agreement.

Mayor Cochran spoke about the Ordinance concerning mobile food trucks in the city. Mayor Cochran mentioned a maximum amount of mobile food trucks allowed at one time, but during a city event this would not apply. Attorney Shane Black spoke on the topic, advising that as this ordinance is being put in place to be flexible and that changes may need to be made as the process continues. Attorney Shane Black also spoke about the requirements food trucks would need from the health department, any inspections that might need to be made, and business license with the city. Attorney Shane Black also spoke about the need to amend the zoning ordinance in compliance with the mobile food truck ordinance.

Mayor Cochran asked for any discussion regarding the change of the street name for Oak Street West and adding a street name at the Pinson Youth Sports Complex. Mayor Cochran voiced his thoughts on adding a street name for the Pinson Youth Sports Complex, and that by doing so could eliminate confusion.

**New Business:** Councilor Kirkland offered a motion to approve the purchase of furniture for the Zoning/Public Safety office in the amount of \$6,474.62. Councilor Walker duly seconded the motion. **Mayor Cochran “let the record reflect the ayes carry unanimously.”**

Councilor Walker offered a motion to approve posting for bids on a PA System. Councilor Churchwell 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 unanimously.”**

Councilor Walker offered a motion to approve the purchase of a lawnmower for use at PYSC, in the amount of \$14,789.30. 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 unanimously.”**

**Public Comment:** James Hyche 5900 Block of Miles Spring Road. Mr. Hyche asked if someone from the Park & Rec Department will be on the scene at all events held at PHCC. Mayor Cochran, Generally we will have someone onsite. Mr. Hyche asked if all public events at PHCC going to be advertised as a public event on the city’s web page. Mayor Cochran, there is no way I could tell you that because people may rent the facility for a private event, there will be public and non-public events and there will be events that seem to be public but are invitation only. Mr. Hyche, so you won’t put any PHCC events on your web page? Mayor Cochran, no generally when someone rents a facility with us we don’t advertise their event, we put it on our internal calendar so we know how to manage the upcoming events.

Deidra Ruff, 4055 Ruff Road. Grand opening for the Pinson Valley Arts Council will be tomorrow, and we will be up and running as a 501 3c nonprofit, charitable organization. Our first event is October 8, which will be a Dance for Adults with Disabilities and Elderly.

Shunte’ Arnold, 5219 Balboa Ave. Ms. Arnold let everyone know she offers free fitness classes, Pilates classes, to the citizens of Pinson, at the Rock School Center.

Mayor Cochran asked for a motion to adjourn.

Councilor Walker offered a motion to adjourn. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion.

Mayor Cochran, “all in favor to say ‘aye’ all opposed say ‘no’. Mayor Cochran **“let the record reflect the ayes carry and we are adjourned.”**

Adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marie Turner, City Clerk

Bills: 9-1-2022

Alabama Power	PYSC-	\$615.97
	Library	\$3,853.76
	Rock School-	\$31.84
	City Hall	\$2,112.81
	Storm Shelter	\$192.98
	Bicentennial-	\$2,838.70
	Powell Ave	\$324.09
	Community Center	\$409.29
	PHCC-	\$1,321.83
	Triangle Park-	\$41.29
	School Drive-	\$132.63
	Box Cam	\$2,166.71
Stark Exterminators	City Hall-	\$15.00
	PYSC-	\$114.00
	Bicentennial-	\$20.00
	Rock School-	\$90.00
	Community Center	\$105.00
Birmingham Water Works	PYSC-	\$163.07
VC3		\$4,256.36
AT&T		\$232.12
Spectrum		\$119.61
Land Title Company of AL		\$1,200.00
Best Insurance Group		\$389.00
Brighten-Up		\$4,192.75
Hand Arendall Harrison Sale LLC		\$9,364.36
Spectrum		\$3,920.62
National League of Cities		\$1,202.00
Lights of Christmas		\$6,232.67
Mayer		\$76.59
Scott's Tire Outlet		\$862.96
Precision Graphics		\$287.00
Hemphill Services Inc.		\$1,147.50
Campbell's Paving		\$3,250.00
Latta Plumbing Service LLC		\$677.00
Xerox Business Solutions Southeast		\$7.04
Gameday Althetic Surfaces	Parks and Recreation	\$600.00
Athletic Field Supply	Parks and Recreation	\$1,818.60
Quality Trophy Co	Parks and Recreation	\$70.00
Sports Central	Parks and Recreation	\$2,055.00
Cintas	Public Works	\$2,059.09
Uline	Public Works	\$411.62
Kellis	Public Works	\$2,935.55
Alabama Power (7/2)		\$1,595.13
Verizon (Misc. Road)		\$277.90
Wex (Misc. Road)		\$4,988.12
	Total:	<u>\$68,777.56</u>

Account Balances @7/29/22:  
Regions Gen. Fund \$2,251,254.59  
Regions MM Cap. Fund \$144,914.73  
Hometown Library Fund \$ 6,972.66  
Hometown 4-5-6 \$362,646.03  
Hometown 7-2 \$77,253.17  
Hometown Misc. Road \$31,449.69  
Hometown 10 cent tax \$87,195.55  
Hometown Saving Acct \$ 563,438.16