

Council Minutes
February 7, 2013 – 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session in Council Chambers at 4410 Main Street on Thursday, February 7, 2013. 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 Cochran
Councilor Roberts
Councilor Churchwell

Absent:
Councilor McCain

Minutes: Councilor Roberts made a motion to waive the reading of the January 22, 2013, 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 January 22, 2013, 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 that both motions passed unanimously."

Mayor Sanders announced the Christmas Parade Float winners as follows: First Place-First Baptist Church Pinson; Second Place-Palmerdale Baptist; Third Place-Pinson Valley High School FFA. Mayor Sanders stated that none of the winners were in attendance of this meeting to receive their awards, they will be contacted.

Committee Chair Comments:

Finance: Councilor Tanner made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$52,912.48; a copy of the bills schedule is attached. 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 that the motion passed unanimously."

Education: Councilor Tanner mentioned that the Rudd Middle School Girl's Basketball Team recently hosted the Jefferson County Championship Tournament. Councilor Tanner added that the winner of that tournament was Pleasant Grove.

Mayor Sanders suspended rules asking April Wallace, Library Director, to give council the Library Report.

Mrs. Wallace reported that the recent Blood Drive was a huge success, adding that there were 25 donors in 4 hours. Mrs. Wallace stated that everyone that donated received a free bag of books. Mrs. Wallace announced some upcoming Library Programs: Kids Reading Club; Chair Yoga; as well as a Family Night on February 18th.

Old Business: Councilor Cochran offered a resolution accepting said bids received on the 31st day of January, 2013, for Debris Removal Services and authorizing the Mayor to contract with the lowest, most responsible bid received. Councilor Roberts duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders stated that Call-A-Haul was awarded the bid. Mayor Sanders added that the proposal cost from Call-A-Haul are: Full Load (20 cubic yards) \$437.50; Half Load \$249.00, these prices include dump fees unless the load consist of rock, dirt, or roofing or loads in excess of 6000 lbs. 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 Cochran-yes; Councilor Roberts-yes; Councilor Churchwell-yes.

Mayor Sanders, resolution passes unanimously as, Resolution 13-07.

Councilor Churchwell mentioned that Turkey Creek Nature Preserve is in need of garbage cans, similar to those the city purchased for PVYA. Councilor Churchwell added that they would need approximately 10 and he would get the information together to present to council at the next meeting.

New Business: Councilor Tanner offered a motion to authorize the purchase of two printed mesh dug out wraps for the PVHS and Rudd Girl's Softball Teams Softball Field, at a cost of approximately \$1,370.00. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for any discussion. Councilor Cochran stated at a council meeting last year council approved \$3,500.00 for a Backstop Project at this field. Councilor Cochran added that the Board of Education did some of the work, which helped out with the cost leaving a total of \$1,700.00 to be paid by the city for the Backstop. Councilor Cochran stated that the cost of the mesh dug out wrap would be paid for out of the remaining balance of the Backstop project. Mayor Sanders called for any further discussion. As there was no further discussion, Mayor Sanders called for all opposed "no", all in favor "aye", Mayor Sanders, "Let the record reflect that the motion passed unanimously."

Councilor Tanner announced that last year the PVYA Basketball Program enrollment was down, this year there are 16 teams. Councilor Tanner added that a sister city shut down their Basketball program and those participants came to our program.

Councilor Tanner reminded everyone that Rudd Middle School Girl's Basketball Team will be hosting the County Tournament on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and the event is open to the public.

Public Comment:

Pete Chandler, 4450 Silver Lake Road. Mr. Chandler stated that the streetlight on Oak Street is out. Mayor Sanders stated that it had been reported to Alabama Power.

Public Hearing concerning the exploration of the purchase of the Old Rock School:

Lillian Sorenson, 6161 Elm Avenue. Stated that in 1999 the Old Historical Society was allowed to tour the school and she has pictures showing that the building was structurally sound with no rot in the attic or under the building. Mrs. Sorenson asked council to consider saving and preserving this building.

Mayor Sanders stated that if we go forward with the purchase, the building would be used for Municipal or Civic purposes.

Councilor Cochran stated that there has been a rumor circulating that if the city purchased the building, it will be torn down and the property would be sold to CVS. Councilor Cochran stated that the city has never entertained that at all, if purchased it would be for Historical Preservation.

Barry Wilson, President of PHCC. Mr. Wilson stated that he felt it would be a tragedy to tear down a Historical building, adding that the city purchasing the building would be a win-win for everyone.

Prim York, Clayton Street. Mrs. York stated that history gives you roots, history needs to be preserved. Mrs. York added that roots ground a community and ground people, save the Rock School.

Pete Chandler, 4450 Silver Lake Road. Mr. Chandler asked that council give there opinion.

Mayor Sanders stated that it goes without saying that we are considering this is the reason for the hearing. Mayor Sanders added that this is a large investment and council needed community feed back.

Councilor Churchwell stated that all are interested in this and he has recently toured the school. Councilor Churchwell added that he saw the pictures from 1999 and it is

amazing the structure of the building, as well as underneath there is nothing wrong with the building. Councilor Churchwell added that he would like some of those pictures, and he felt that the building had probably not changed that much.

Dorlan Terry, Miles Spring Road. Mr. Terry stated that he thought this would be wonderful to purchase if the price is right. Mr. Terry added that as the city grows it needs areas to grow.

Cathy Leslie, Pinson News. Mrs. Leslie stated that if the city does not purchase the building someone else will and they could change it completely, adding that she felt we should preserve the building.

Councilor Cochran stated that with respect to the history in this community, we are interested to keep it in the city and belonging to the people.

Linda McKee Center Point has made their old school nice and functional and she would like to see our Rock School look like that.

Eric Sorenson, Elm Avenue. Mr. Sorenson stated that the school is registered by the Alabama Historical Committee as a Historical Site, adding that it may qualify for Federal aid.

Faye Wilson, Miles Spring Road. Mrs. Wilson thanked council for their help with PHCC adding that without the help PHCC would not be what it is today. Mrs. Wilson stated that she looks forward to the Rock School purchase.

Grant Mitchell, North Valley Road. Mr. Mitchell thanked council for their help with PHCC and stated that if the price is right the Old Rock School should be saved.

Mayor Sanders mentioned that if this property is purchased it will not affect the Park construction, this is a separate project.

Cathy Leslie, Pinson News. Mrs. Leslie asked if council has toured the building. Mayor Sanders stated that different ones have toured over the last couple of years. Mayor Sanders added that this is somewhat the beginning of this process. Councilor Roberts stated that he had toured the building a couple of weeks ago and found the building to be sound. Councilor Churchwell stated that he had toured the building with Councilor Roberts adding that there is work to be done. Councilor Churchwell stated that while the gym area is great the rest of the building would be a work in progress.

Stanley Moss, 4039 Mountain Street. Thanked Solid Rock Church for saving the school. Mr. Moss added that the school is a landmark in the community.

Councilor Cochran offered a motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing real estate, litigation and trade and commerce. Councilor Churchwell duly seconded the motion.

Attorney Black, I provide certification in regard to litigation it would be detrimental if items were discussed in open forum.

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

Mayor Sanders called for all opposed say “no”, all in favor say “aye. Mayor Sanders, “Let the record reflect the motion passed unanimously”. Mayor Sanders stated we will not reconvene other than to adjourn.

Mayor Sanders called council out of executive session.

Councilor Cochran moved to adjourn. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for all opposed to say “no”, all in favor say “aye”. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Turner, City Clerk

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Adopted _____

Bills: 02/07/13

BJC Animal Control	\$ 712.50
Ed's Lock & Key	140.00
Acceptance Janitorial	352.17
Stone & Sons	280.00
IIMC-Annual Clerk Dues	145.00
Ronnie Foust D/B/A Bolt Elect.	570.00
Jeff Hall-RMS Tournament 1/31/13	120.00
Lindsey Williams-RMS Tournament 1/29&1/31/2013	300.00
John Leon-RMS Tournament 2/1/2013	120.00
Bob Jones-RMS Tournament 2/1/2013	120.00
Chris Sharit-RMS Tournament 1/29/2013	180.00
Edgewire Digital	200.00
Ray Sport-survey services	1,365.00
Jeff.Co.Sheriff's Off.-February	28,324.19
Cutters Small Engine	3,600.00
Argos Group-workers comp.premium	68.00
Pike's Plbg-PHCC	1,407.20
The Birmingham News-newsletter	4,247.74
The Birmingham News-Legal Ad	140.00
Randall Terry-PHCC/PVYA	490.00
Ronnie Foust D/B/A Bolt Elect.	475.00
OUB-PHCC	8.56
AT&T-PHCC	293.13
Midwest Tape-Library	185.46
Baker & Taylor-Library	341.80
DEMCO-Library	289.06
Ingram-Library	1,924.98
Regions mortgage (capital)	3,854.18
Verizon (misc road)	558.59
Moore Coal Co. (misc road)	171.00
Sweeping Corp. (7-2)	1,000.00
Alabama Power-streetlights (7-2)	928.92
TOTAL	\$ 52,912.48

January Gross Payroll \$31,072.12

Hand Arendall to be paid 2/21/2013 \$6,712.04

Account Balances @01/31/12:

Regions General Fund	\$669,213.21
Regions MM Capital Fund	200.70
Regions Debt Service Fund	2,152.65
Hometown-Library Fund	1,595.25
Wachovia 4-6-5	262,639.42
Wachovia 7-2	231,879.01
Wachovia Misc. Road	25,614.15
 Reserve CD @ 12/21/12	 \$250,911.48