

Council Minutes
September 19, 2013 – 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session in Council Chambers at 4410 Main Street on Thursday, September 19, 2013. Councilor Churchwell 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:

Councilor Tanner
Councilor Cochran
Councilor Roberts
Councilor Churchwell
Councilor McCain

Absent:
Mayor Sanders

In Mayor Sanders absence, Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell presided over the meeting.

Minutes: Councilor Roberts made a motion to waive the reading of the September 5, 2013, minutes. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for all in favor say "aye", all opposed say "no." Councilor Cochran made a motion to accept the minutes as written of the September 5, 2013, meeting. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for any discussion. As there was no discussion, Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for all in favor say "aye", all opposed say "no." Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell said "Let the record reflect that both motions passed unanimously."

Committee Chair Comments:

Finance: Councilor Tanner made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$41,663.12; a copy of the bills schedule is attached. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for any discussion. As there was no discussion, Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for all in favor say "aye", all opposed say "no." Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell said "Let the record reflect that the motion passed unanimously."

Education: Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell stated the Education Committee list for all 4 schools is now complete, with Councilor Roberts as Chairman.

Enhancements: Councilor McCain offered a motion to contract with Lights of Christmas to decorate the tree and pavilion at Triangle Park and City Hall in the amount of approximately \$6,900.00. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for any discussion. Councilor Cochran stated that the decorating materials will remain with the city. Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for any further discussion. As there was no further discussion, Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for all in favor say "aye", all opposed say "no." Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell said "Let the record reflect that the motion passed unanimously."

Councilor McCain offered a motion to approve the dates for the Christmas Tree Lighting, December 6, 2013, and the Christmas Parade, December 7, 2013. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for any discussion. As there was no discussion, Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for all in favor say "aye", all opposed say "no." Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell said "Let the record reflect that the motion passed unanimously."

Old Business: Councilor Cochran offered a motion to approve the Farmers Market Rules and Guidelines. Councilor McCain duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for any discussion. Councilor Roberts asked if the Farmers Market would be held in the rear parking lot at City Hall, and how that would affect patrons visiting the Library. Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell stated that the vendors will set up on the back side of the bank and parking for the Farmers Market will be in front of City Hall. Councilor Roberts asked if there is a maximum number of booths. Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell stated that he didn't think so. Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for any further discussion. As there was no further discussion, Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for all in favor say "aye", all opposed say "no." Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell said "Let the record reflect that the motion passed unanimously."

Councilor Cochran stated that about a year ago he brought a sample RFP to council to look over. Councilor Cochran stated that he has received a number of complaints regarding garbage collection from Pinson residents. Councilor Cochran added that the RFP will add recycling to garbage pickup and should not cost the citizens in our corporate boundaries anymore than they are paying today. Councilor Cochran stated that council may have a Work Session after the regular meeting on October 17, 2013 regarding RFP.

New Business: Councilor Cochran offered a first reading of a resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement between the City of Pinson and AT&T of Alabama.

Councilor Tanner offered a motion to approve a request from Rudd Middle School Volleyball Team in the amount of \$1,500.00 to purchase several necessary items for the program. Councilor Cochran duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for any discussion. Councilor Tanner stated the Volleyball season is very short and they do not raise funds. Councilor Tanner added that much of the equipment is worn out and needs replacing. Councilor Tanner stated that the money would come from Rudd's school allocation. Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell stated that the appropriate forms have been received by council and are in order. Councilor Cochran asked if the money would be coming out of Rudd's \$12,500.00 allocation, not the discretionary fund. Councilor Tanner answered, yes. Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for any further discussion. As there was no further discussion, Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for all in favor say "aye", all opposed say "no." Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell said "Let the record reflect that the motion passed unanimously."

Councilor Roberts stated that there are concerns with a moisture issue in the Library because books are beginning to curl and wave. Councilor Roberts stated that the air conditioning system has been repaired but this has not improved the humidity levels. Councilor Roberts added that there is over a \$100,000.00 book collection in our library and it could cost substantial money to fix the problem. Councilor Roberts stated that he had spoken with Barry Wilson, which has experience in the Controls Business, and he has offered to advise us on the problem. Mayor Pro-

Tem Churchwell asked if there was a possibility that the roof work would have any bearing on the problem. Councilor Roberts stated that they initially thought so, but apparently it does not. Councilor Roberts added that this problem is not uncommon in libraries. Councilor Tanner asked if there was a count on the number of books affected. Councilor Roberts stated no, but it could be numerous.

Councilor Cochran mentioned that the PVHS Softball Program has requested assistance with rebuilding the dugout roofs. Councilor Cochran stated that the total amount to replace the roofs is \$8,200.00 and the program has some money to help with the cost, but they would appreciate any help council could give them.

Public Comment:

Sue Bowden, Business owner on Main Street. Regarding the trash pickup, there is a local company that does that and would do it economically. I'm a believer in giving local people an opportunity if we could bring business back to our community and recycle our own citizens. Ms. Bowden stated that there are a couple of projects going on that she wanted to make more public. Ms. Bowden stated that there is a group of citizens actually working toward some face (lifts), Joe and Hoyt are aware of. She added that there are 20 volunteers now that will start work on the outsides of the building, as y'all know you tore down the building downtown on Main Street. Mrs. Bowden stated that we have several opportunities with some of the buildings and the owners of the buildings are more cooperative to put a reface on the buildings. She added that at one time the group had talked with the city on the other development projects on getting sidewalks and streetlights and we haven't seen that done yet and haven't gotten that finished so what we are trying to work with is recycling some of the wood and get treated lumber. Ms. Bowden stated that she has talked with Bob Jones about this and of course we will get some architectural drawings, hopefully before the Butterbean Festival, but that may not happen, especially on the walkways. She added that it would be a raised walkway, wood to give water flow. Ms. Bowden stated that they have gotten a team from the Jefferson County Engineering Department that is looking at the problem on the Bridge and the flood. She added that at one time she had an engineer draw up a retention where the park is, adding that Joe was a part of that meeting, and according to the engineer which was there with the city it would have taken the stress off of downtown based on the elevations and water flow. Ms. Bowden added that since our problems come from Chalkville Mountain Road where Walmart and other buildings were built, that would have helped alleviate the flood area, even though some of our buildings are not in the flood area technically we just still get the flood water. Ms. Bowden stated that any suggestions are welcome, adding that the group has been very active over the last 2 weeks and have received some materials for the project and are hoping to get something done on the project before the Butterbean Festival.

Councilor Cochran moved to adjourn. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Churchwell called for all in favor say "aye", all opposed say "no." Motion passes.

Adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Turner, City Clerk

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Adopted _____

Bills: 09/19/13

BJC Animal Control	\$ 597.50
Bob Jones-reimb remote fobs Tahoe	57.39
Hand Lakeshore Environmental-asbestos remvl 4286 Main St.	2,650.00
B'ham Water Works-City Hall	139.98
Triangle Pk	20.59
Lane Street	20.59
Comm Ctr	41.53
PHCC	214.45
Regional Planning Comm 2014 membership	4,334.00
Jeff. Co.Mayors Assoc. dues	1,432.60
Hand Arendall	9,286.85
Nohab	2.30
John Leon-Security PVHS 9/13/13	210.00
Jeff Hannah-Security PVHS 9/13/13	210.00
Regions Visa	2,124.37
Cutters Small Eng.	3,560.00
Advance Cleaning Srvs-City Properties	990.00
PVYA	195.00
Mayer Electric-PVYA	621.04
ABBF	26.21
Robb Electric-PVYA	575.00
Randall Terry-PHCC	500.00
Nohab-Library	35.39
AT&T-Library	245.02
Brodart-Library	20.20
Assoc.for Library Srvs to Children -Library	488.34
Ingram-Library	1,700.65
Dell-Library	47.68
Amazon.com-Library	797.16
Sweeping Corp. (misc road)	1,450.00
Dunn Const. (7/2)	5,657.25
Craig's Lawn Srvs (7/2)	1,190.00
Advance Cleaning Srvs-r-o-w (7/2)	1,295.00
Alabama Power-streetlights (7/2)	927.03

TOTAL **\$41,663.12**

Account Balances @08/31/13:

Regions General Fund	\$792,857.04
Regions Debt Service Fund	2,991.06
Regions MM Capital Fund	105,719.90
Hometown-Library Fund	2,585.11
Wachovia 4-6-5	244,594.98
Wachovia 7-2	247,357.56
Wachovia Misc. Road	19,228.24
Reserve CD @ 06/21/13	\$251,098.15

Regions Visa – Supplies	\$ 56.01
Gasoline	182.42
Postage	266.33
Technology	39.00
Training	458.04
Nat'l Nite Out	117.41
Equip. Maint.	<u>1,005.16</u>
TOTAL	\$2,124.37

Hand Arendall to be paid 10/3/13 \$9,971.29