

Council Minutes  
December 18, 2025  
Regular Meeting

The Pinson City Council met in regular session at Pinson City Hall at 4410 Main Street, Pinson, on Thursday, December 18, 2025, Councilor Sanders led the invocation. Councilor Walker led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Sanders appoints Heather Lind as acting clerk.

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

Councilor Thompson  
Councilor Walker  
Councilor Tanner  
Councilor Sims  
Councilor Holt  
Mayor Sanders

**Minutes:** Councilor Holt offered a motion to waive the reading of and approve the minutes from December 4, 2025. Councilor Walker duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for all in favor say ‘aye’, all opposed say ‘no’. **Mayor Sanders, “Let the record reflect the ‘ayes’ carry unanimously”.**

**Finance:** Councilor Tanner offered a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$156,441.85. Councilor Thompson duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for all in favor say ‘aye’, all opposed say ‘no’. **Mayor Sanders, “Let the record reflect the ‘ayes’ carry unanimously”.**

**Planning & Zoning:** Mayor Sanders opened a Public Hearing regarding, 6450 Womack Road, 6840 Ridgewood Drive, 7433 Hitching Post Drive, and 4657 Elfreth Johnson Road post annexation zonings. No one was present to speak for or against the post annexation zonings. Mayor Sanders closed the Public Hearing. Mayor Sanders mentioned that the property at Elfreth Johnson is a duplex property that is being completely renovated.

Councilor Sims offered an ordinance regarding post annexation zoning, 6450 Womack Road from R1 to RL. Councilor Walker duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for unanimous consent to consider with the following results: Councilor Thompson-yes; Councilor Walker-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Sims-yes; Councilor Holt-yes; Mayor Sanders-yes. Mayor Sanders, “unanimous consent passes”. Mayor Sanders called for a roll call vote with the following results: Councilor Thompson-yes; Councilor Walker-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Sims-yes; Councilor Holt-yes; Mayor Sanders-yes. **Mayor Sanders “Let the record reflect the ordinance passes unanimously as, Ordinance 2025-22”.**

Councilor Sims offered an ordinance regarding post annexation zoning, 6840 Ridgewood Drive from R1 to RM. Councilor Thompson duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for

unanimous consent to consider with the following results: Councilor Thompson-yes; Councilor Walker-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Sims-yes; Councilor Holt-yes; Mayor Sanders-yes. Mayor Sanders, “unanimous consent passes”. Mayor Sanders called for a roll call vote with the following results: Councilor Thompson-yes; Councilor Walker-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Sims-yes; Councilor Holt-yes; Mayor Sanders-yes. **Mayor Sanders “Let the record reflect the ordinance passes unanimously as, Ordinance 2025-23”.**

Councilor Sims offered an ordinance regarding post annexation zoning, 7433 Hitching Post Drive from R2 to RM. Councilor Thompson duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for unanimous consent to consider with the following results: Councilor Thompson-yes; Councilor Walker-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Sims-yes; Councilor Holt-yes; Mayor Sanders-yes. Mayor Sanders, “unanimous consent passes”. Mayor Sanders called for a roll call vote with the following results: Councilor Thompson-yes; Councilor Walker-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Sims-yes; Councilor Holt-yes; Mayor Sanders-yes. **Mayor Sanders “Let the record reflect the ordinance passes unanimously as, Ordinance 2025-24”.**

Councilor Sims offered an ordinance regarding post annexation zoning, 4657, 4661, and 4665 Elfreth Johnson Road from R3 to CU. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for unanimous consent to consider with the following results: Councilor Thompson-yes; Councilor Walker-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Sims-yes; Councilor Holt-yes; Mayor Sanders-yes. Mayor Sanders, “unanimous consent passes”. Mayor Sanders called for a roll call vote with the following results: Councilor Thompson-yes; Councilor Walker-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Sims-yes; Councilor Holt-yes; Mayor Sanders-yes. **Mayor Sanders “Let the record reflect the ordinance passes unanimously as, Ordinance 2025-25”.**

**Public Safety:** Director Chris Sharit received a request to fund TAASRO Training for the SROs for \$2500.00 each for Deputy Hall and Sgt. Money. They have been asked to sign up early this year. Councilor Tanner made a motion for immediate consideration seconded by Councilor Walker. Mayor Sanders asked if there was any objection to being considered immediately. He stated, “let the record reflect there was no objection to immediate consideration.” Mayor Sanders called for a roll call vote on the main motion with the following results: Councilor Thompson-yes; Councilor Walker-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Sims-yes; Councilor Holt-yes; Mayor Sanders-yes

**Mayor’s Report:** Mayor Sanders gave an update on clearing the parking lot of vehicles and mowers.

Mayor Sanders stated Christmas Event was well attended and Mayor Sanders gave special thanks to Mrs. Wallace and the Rudd Culinary students for manning the refreshment stand.

Mayor Sanders reminded the public that the January council meetings will be on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> due to the holiday.

Mayor Sanders gave an update on the search for a bucket truck. He is still looking for one and hopes to have something to consider in January.

Mayor Sanders stated that the office will close the next two Wednesdays at noon and be closed on Thursdays and Fridays for Christmas and New Year holidays. There will be emergency numbers posted on the Facebook page.

Mayor Sanders was pleased to report that the PVHS Theatre group earned all superiors at Trumbauer Festival.

Mayor Sanders stated that the Gilmer drive entrance will be closed for about a month for culvert repair.

Mayor Sanders gave an update on the closing of the property on Main Street and will have more information later.

**Old Business:** Mayor Sanders and Chris Sharit gave an update on the updated floodplain agreement. Chris Sharit stated the ordinance prevents anyone from building in a floodplain and regulates anything that can be done in a floodplain. The Chief Engineer for Jefferson County handles this because of FEMA. Mayor Sanders spoke on a good thing being that the Land trust has bought a lot of low-lying land to prevent having issues. Councilor Sims offered an ordinance regarding the Updated Floodplain Agreement. Councilor Tanner duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called unanimous consent to consider with the following results: Councilor Thompson-yes; Councilor Walker-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Sims-yes; Councilor Holt-yes; Mayor Sanders-yes. Mayor Sanders, “unanimous consent passes”. Mayor Sanders called for a roll call vote with the following results: Councilor Thompson-yes; Councilor Walker-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Sims-yes; Councilor Holt-yes; Mayor Sanders-yes. **Mayor Sanders “Let the record reflect the ordinance passes unanimously as, Ordinance 25-26”.**

**New Business:** Councilor Walker offered an ordinance concerning annexation at 5755 Dewey Heights Road. Councilor Sims duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for unanimous consent to consider with the following results: Councilor Thompson-yes; Councilor Walker-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Sims-yes; Councilor Holt-yes; Mayor Sanders-yes. Mayor Sanders, “unanimous consent passes”. Mayor Sanders called for a roll call vote with the following results: Councilor Thompson-yes; Councilor Walker-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Sims-yes; Councilor Holt-yes; Mayor Sanders-yes. **Mayor Sanders “Let the record reflect the motion passes unanimously as Ordinance 2025-27”.**

Councilor Tanner offered a resolution concerning library board appointments. Lisa Campbell is appointed to replace herself to a term ending March 31, 2029. Natalie Roberts is re-appointed to replace herself to a term expiring March 31, 2028. Robbie Roberts is appointed to fill an unexpired term vacancy expiring March 31, 2026. Councilor Walker duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for a roll call vote with the following results: Councilor Thompson-yes; Councilor Walker-yes; Councilor Tanner-yes; Councilor Sims-yes; Councilor Holt-yes; Mayor Sanders-yes. **Mayor Sanders “Let the record reflect the ordinance passes unanimously as, Resolution 2025-42”.**

Mayor Sanders recognized Park and Recreation Director Taurus Pyles for receiving a merit award.

### **Department Head Reports:**

Taurus Pyles, Park and Recreation Director, gave an update on basketball and the January step and lunch for the seniors. More information will come.

Chief Dahlen gave the Center Point Fire District report regarding calls, training, and events participated in for the month. He also updated on Old Springville Road opening.

Allison Scanlan, Library Director, gave an update on holiday programming and summer program planning. Mayor Sanders commended the Boo Bash event and Allison updated on the attendance.

Sgt. Tim Graham gave the report for the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and warned on a recent scam telling callers they have warrants. The calls are coming from within the prisons.

Heather Lind, Acting Clerk, thanked the Mayor, Council, staff, and the public for the love and support shown during the losses of her two daughters.

Jalisa Hedgeman, Office Clerk, recognized today being Heather's birthday.

### **Public Comment: None**

Councilor Walker offered a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Thompson duly seconded the motion. Mayor Sanders called for all in favor say 'aye', all opposed say 'no'. **Mayor Sanders, "let the record reflect the 'ayes' carry, and we are adjourned".**

Adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Lind, Acting Clerk