

The City of Pelham

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

February 16, 2017 – 6:30 p.m. – Council Chamber

PRESENT:

Mayor James Eubanks
Mayor Pro-Tem Alfred Brown
Council Member Jeremy Hatcher
Council Member Loys Johnson
Council Member Winfred Parker
Council Member Ansel Parrish
Council Member Bobby Robinson

City Manager, Jim Hedges
City Clerk, Lisa Austin
City Attorney, Tommy Coleman
Fire Chief, Ivey Godwin
Police Chief, Nealie McCormick
Pelham Journal, Carl Stokes
MCTV, Jerry White
Mollie Johnson
Bonnie Smith
Zack Taylor

Absent from the meeting Council Member Tad Williamson

With a quorum present, Mayor Eubanks called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Council Member Robinson provided the opening prayer.

SECOND CHANCE ANIMAL RESCUE

Mollie Johnson President and Director of Second Chance Animal Rescue spoke of the following: Animal rescue location and out of the properties Ms. Johnson stated the Farmer's Market would be a good location. Ms. Johnson stated this would be a no kill shelter unless it is a vicious animal or very sick animal. Other possible services and opportunities that may be available once the animal rescue is open will be lost cost spay and neutering, boarding kennel, and grooming.

CITY MANAGER

City Manager Hedges reported the welcome sign was sprayed with graffiti and after a picture was posted on Facebook a representative of Sherman Williams in Thomasville sprayed graffiti remover on the sign and it's completely gone at no charge. Council Member Williamson pointed out a problem on Tennyson and Wilder with the drainage and the problem has been fixed with asphalt and cement. Grinding has started again behind the Farmer's Market and for anyone wanting fresh mulch it is free of charge. There were eight employees from the Public Works Department went to Albany for five days to help with the recent straight line winds and tornados which hit Albany in January. Public Works also went to Newton and helped. City Hall

was a drop-off point for donations for Albany all items have been delivered. Reviewed and discussed financials for the month of January.

REGULAR SESSION

MAYOR EUBANKS PRESIDING

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Council Member Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda adding executive session, seconded by **Council Member Brown**. The vote was unanimous.

MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING

Council Member Parker made a motion to approve minutes from the Public Hearing of January 17, 2017 and January 19, 2017, Regular Meeting as written, seconded by **Council Member Robinson**. The vote was unanimous.

ELECTED OFFICIALS COMPENSATION

Council Member Johnson made a motion on to adopt an ordinance setting compensation for the mayor and members of the Pelham City Council; repealing all prior ordinances in conflict herewith; and for other purposes, seconded by **Council Member Parrish**. The vote was unanimous. This constitutes as the second reading of the ordinance.

The compensation of the Mayor of the City of Pelham will be \$650 per month and to increase the compensation of each member of the Pelham City Council to \$400.0 per month. This has been advertised in the legal organ and will not take effect January 1, 2018.

MAIN STREET MEMORANDUM

As per the National Main Street Center requirement all accredited Main Street cities must have a current signed MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) this is an annual agreement. **Council Member Johnson** made a motion to adopt Main Street Memorandum, seconded by **Council Member Parrish**. The vote was unanimous.

2015/2016 AUDIT REPORT

Perry L. Henry, LLC, a full service accounting completed and presented to the City of Pelham the financial results for the period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 audit report. **Council Member**

Parker made a motion to accept and approve the 2015/2016 Audit conducted by Perry L. Henry LLC, seconded by Council Member Brown. The vote was unanimous.

WATER METER PROJECT

Council Member Parrish made a motion to authorize the City Manager to accept bids for the purchase and installation of the new water system for the city, seconded by Council Member Robinson. The vote was unanimous.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

The following department reports were included in Council packets to review: Code Enforcement, Fire Department, Police Department, and W/G/S Department Utility Report.

SECOND CHANCE ANIMAL RESCUE PARTNERSHIP

Council Member Parrish made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign a contract with Second Chance Animal Rescue (SCAR) to house Pelham's stray animals, seconded by Council Member Robinson. The vote was unanimous. The City of Pelham will not charge rent for the location, or charge for water and sewer due to it being a nonprofit organization. The city will pay a fee of \$500 per month to house Pelham's stray animals.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

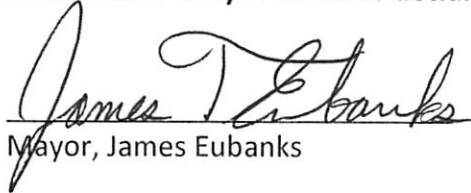
Council Member Johnson made a motion to go into executive session at 7:12 p.m., seconded by Council Member Parrish. Mayor Eubanks stated the purpose of this session is to discuss litigation.

RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION

Council Member Parrish made a motion to come out of executive session and reconvene into regular session, seconded by Council Member Johnson. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Eubanks stated there was no action taken during executive session.

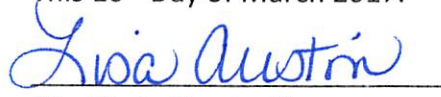
ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the Pelham City Council, **Council Member Robinson made a motion to adjourn** the meeting, **seconded by Council Member Parrish**. The vote was **unanimous**. **Mayor Eubanks declared the meeting closed at 7:30 p.m.**


Mayor, James Eubanks

AUTHENTICATED:

This 16th Day of March 2017.


City Clerk, Lisa Austin



