

The City of Pelham

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

April 16, 2020 – 6:30 p.m. – VIA INTERNET ZOOM

PRESENT:

Mayor James Eubanks
Mayor Pro-Tem Alfred Brown
Council Member Bennett Adams
Council Member Robert Hodges
Council Member Winfred Parker
Council Member Ansel Parrish
Council Member Bobby Robinson
Council Member Tad Williamson

City Manager, Craig Bennett
City Clerk, Lisa Austin
Attorney, Flin Coleman
Police Chief, Nealie McCormick
Fire Chief, Ivey Godwin
WGS Superintendent Ronny Dudley

With a quorum present, Mayor Eubanks called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. Mayor Eubanks provided the opening prayer.

REGULAR SESSION – LED BY MAYOR EUBANKS

COUNCIL MINUTES

Council Member Adams made a motion to approve minutes from the March 17, 2020 Regular Council Meeting, and Called Meeting of March 24, 2020, as presented, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Brown. The vote was a roll call vote and it was unanimous.

179 MATHEWSON STREET

A Resolution to deed the property at 179 Mathewson over to the DDA.

A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Pelham, Georgia authorizing the conveyance by quit claim deed of all the City of Pelham's interest in certain property to the City of Pelham Downtown Development Authority; repealing all resolution in conflict herewith; and for such other purposes.

Council Member Hodges made a motion to approve the Resolution to quit claim the property to the DDA, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Brown. The vote was a roll call vote and it was unanimous.

BUTLER STREET

Semi-Trucks on Hwy 93 traveling East turnoff on to Butler Street running over infrastructure which lead to a water main with a shallow valve. The solution would be to designate Butler Street as a no thru truck street.

Council Member Hodges made a motion to designate Butler Street as a no thru street to semi's, seconded by Council Member Parrish. The vote was a roll call vote and it was unanimous.

TSPLOST PROJECT LIST

Council Member Williamson made a motion to move forward with the TSPLOST presentation, seconded by Council Member Parrish. The vote was a roll call vote and it was unanimous.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

The City offers its employees health, dental, vision, short-term disability, long-term disability, an accident and death life insurance and the option for employees to purchase a larger life insurance. The renewal for the health dental, and vision is to be in place by May 1st. It is recommended that the City proceed with the Partially Self-Insured Plan from Diversifies Benefits Administrator.

Council Member Williamson made a motion to adopt the Employee Health Benefit Plan proposed by Diversifies Benefits, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Brown. The vote was a roll call vote and it was unanimous.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Reviewed financial reports from March 2020 as presented.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Reviewed department reports from March 2020 from the Pelham Police Department, Fire Department, Utility Department, and Code Enforcement.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Subject: City Manager's

Report Week of 13 – 17 Apr

Coronavirus

- Locally, nothing significant to report.
- I believe you all are receiving the daily emails from the GMA Executive Director, Larry Hanson, re: GMA ALERT: COVID-19 Resources for Cities, there is good information in those emails. Please let me know if you are not receiving them.

• Today stats

Area	Contracted COVID 19	Contracted COVID 19	Died	Died	%	%
	Today	Previous Report	Today	Previous Report	Today	Previous Report
Global	1,995,983	1,918,138	131,037	123,126	6.57	6.42
U.S.		605,390		24,582		4.06
Georgia	15,669	14,987	587	552	3.75	3.68
Mitchell County	183	172	20	20	10.93	11.63

Wilson St.

- Material has been delivered.
- Contractor projecting to start next Monday or Tuesday.
- I spoke with Steve Brown and he is happy to see work is about to begin.

Parking

- In the coming weekends, Veterans Asphalt Maintenance will be back to seal parking lots and strip them.

Autry

- Mayor has had several follow up with Representative Campbell, who will be engaging with the GDC Commissioner.
- The GDC is working out their current position, the Project Manager does not have an issue with a surcharge. The General Counsel has an issue with the surcharge. If they cannot overcome

this technicality, will follow City Attorney's advise and incorporate the surcharge into the rate charges.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council Member Hodges made a motion to close the Regular Meeting and enter Executive Session, seconded by Council Member Parker. The vote was a roll call vote and it was unanimous. Mayor Eubanks stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss a Personnel issue, Personnel policy, and a Legal issue.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

Council Member Adams made a motion to close the Executive Session and reconvene the Regular Meeting, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Brown. The vote was a roll call vote and it was unanimous.

DISCUSSION BASED ON EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council Member Parrish made a motion to retain Ronny Dudley and place him on administrative leave without pay. Mayor Eubanks stated without a second to the motion the motion will fall flat.


ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the Pelham City Council, **Council Member Robinson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Brown. The vote was a roll call vote and it was unanimous. Mayor Eubanks declared the meeting closed at 7:58 p.m.**


Mayor, James Eubanks

AUTHENTICATED:

This 21st Day of May 2020.


City Clerk, Lisa Austin

