

The City of Pelham

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING

August 15, 2024 – 6:30 p.m. – Council Chambers

PRESENT:

Mayor James Eubanks	Investigator, Adam Lamb
Mayor Pro Tem, Rhonda Brown	Fire Chief, Shane Stinson
Council Member Bobby Robinson	Economic Development Director, Cameron Harris
Council Member Cody Shiver	Accounts Payable Clerk, Jasmine Riddle
Council Member Mistry Troutman	Customer Service Clerk, Lashon Watkins
City Manager, Christian Drake	Enterprise-Journal, Randy Wind
City Attorney, Tommy Coleman	Teresa Robinson
Police Chief, Nealie McCormick	Jessica Daughtry
Assistant Police Chief, Rod Williams	

***** Absent from the meeting was Council Member Adams and Council Member Davis*****

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council Member Shiver made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brown. The vote was unanimous.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Pro Tem Brown made a motion to approve the Council Meeting Minutes for July 18, 2024 and Work Session minutes for August 8, 2024 as distributed, seconded by Council Member Shiver. The vote was unanimous.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A review of all department reports. City Manager Drake highlighted the Pelham Police Department for receiving a \$20,000 grant from Mitchell EMC. The grant funds will be used to purchase equipment.

RFP-AUDIT AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

City Manager Drake presented the proposals received for auditing and financial services. He recommended the Council award the contract to CKH CPAs and Advisors, LLC.

Council Member Shiver made a motion to award the contract to CKH CPAs and Advisors, LLC, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brown. The vote was unanimous.

RETIREMENT AMENDMENT

City Manager Drake presented an ordinance to the Council to amend the retirement plan for City of Pelham employees to maintain the City's tax-exempt status for the retirement trust fund.

Council Member Shiver made a motion to adopt the retirement amendment ordinance, dispensing of the second reading, seconded by Council Member Troutman. The vote was unanimous.

ALCOHOL LICENSE-THE TAVERN AT 132 PRIMITIVE AVE

Jessica Daughtry is requesting a beer consumption only license for her business, The Tavern, located at 132 Primitive Ave. Police Chief McCormick recommends approval.

Council Member Shiver made a motion to approve the alcohol license for beer consumption only, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brown. Mayor Eubanks, Mayor Pro Tem Brown, and Council Members Robinson and Shiver voted in favor of the alcohol license. Council Member Troutman voted against the alcohol license.

FALSE ALARM ORDINANCE

City Manager Drake presented an ordinance for false alarms in the City of Pelham. The purpose of this ordinance is to regulate false alarms, focusing on resource allocation, public safety, and cost management.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown made a motion to adopt the false alarm ordinance, dispensing of the second reading, seconded by Council Member Shiver. The vote was unanimous.

SURPLUS VEHICLES

The Pelham Police Department requested to surplus two vehicles: a 2010 Dodge Charger and a 2009 Crown Vic.

Council Member Shiver made a motion to approve surplusing the vehicles, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brown. The vote was unanimous.

PURCHASE OF POLICE VEHICLE FROM SPLOST

City Manager Drake requested approval to utilize Special Purpose Local Option Tax (SPLOST) funds to purchase a 2024 Dodge Ram truck with a vehicle package for the police department. The truck is priced at \$52,225.

Council Member Shiver made a motion to approve the purchase of a 2024 Dodge Ram truck for the police department using SPLOST funds. The motion was not seconded and failed.

ARPA TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUNDS

City Manager Drake requested approval to transfer \$150,000 from the ARPA funds to the General fund to cover general operating expenses.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown made a motion to approve the transfer of \$150,000 from the ARPA fund to the General fund, seconded by Council Member Shiver. The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURN

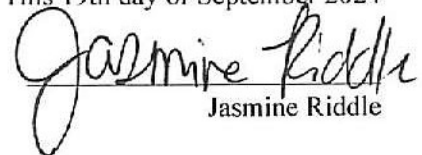
Council Member Robinson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brown. Mayor Eubanks declared the meeting closed at 7:01 p.m.



Mayor, James Eubanks

AUTHENTICATED:

This 19th day of September 2024



Jasmine Riddle

