

# *The City of Pelham*

## **MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION**

**June 12, 2025 – 6:30 p.m. – Council Chambers**

### **PRESENT:**

Mayor James Eubanks	City Manager, Christian Drake
Mayor Pro Tem Rhonda Brown	City Manager, Christian Drake
Council Member Bennett Adams	Asst. Police Chief, Rod Williams
Council Member Fredrick Davis	Lt. Reggie Feagin
Council Member Bobby Robinson	Accounts Payable Clerk, Jasmine Riddle
Council Member Cody Shiver	Enterprise-Journal, Randy Wind
Council Member Mistry Troutman	

With a quorum present, Mayor Eubanks called the meeting to order at 6:32p.m.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes for approval: May 15, 2025 Council Meeting  
May 22, 2025 Called Meeting  
June 12, 2025 Work Session

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

A review of all department reports.

### **ALCOHOL REQUEST-SPECIAL EVENT KANDYCE THOMAS**

Ms. Kandyce Thomas has submitted a request to host the Dukes and Boots Southern Soul/R&B Picnic at Lebron Eubanks Park on Saturday, July 19, 2025, from 2:00 PM to 9:00 PM. As part of this event, she has requested permission for a vendor to sell alcoholic beverages on-site under a special event permit. If approved, City Manager Drake is recommending including the same stipulations as required at previous events, and that the vendor be informed of any local ordinance requirements in addition to their compliance with state licensing for alcohol sales at special events.

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

### **HB92-SETTING ESTIMATED ROLLBACK RATE FOR 2025**

City Manager Drake presented Under prior Georgia law, the Notice of Assessment mailed annually to property owners included the previous year's millage rate and an estimated tax based on the current assessed value. In 2024, HB 581 created the concept of an estimated roll-back rate, designed to provide more accurate and flexible projections of local millage rates on NOA. In 2025, HB 92 amended the law to require jurisdictions to certify the estimated roll-back rate no fewer than 15 days prior to the mailing of NOAs. City Manager Drake recommended the Council adopt an estimated roll back rate of 17.000 mills.

**Council Member Davis made a motion** to adopt an estimated roll-back rate of 17.000 mills for the 2025 tax year, **seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brown. The vote was unanimous.**

### **JUNETEENTH PROCLAMATION**

City Manager Drake presented a proclamation recognizing June 19<sup>th</sup> as Juneteenth Day for the City of Pelham.

### **ELECTION ORDINANCE**

City Manager Drake presented ordinance 2025-06-19-01 that will set the official rates and procedures for the upcoming general election for the City of Pelham that will be held for one Council Member seat in District 1, two Council member seats in District 2, and corresponding seats for the School Board. City Manager Drake is recommending the Council adopt Ordinance No. 2025-06-19-01 officially setting the terms and procedures for the City of Pelham's General Election on November 4, 2025

This will be an **ACTION ITEM.**

### **ALCOHOL ORDINACE REVISION**

City Manager Drake presented ordinance 2025-06-19-2 to revise the alcohol ordinance. The suggested revision would be to add the following: Council authority to impose extra conditions when reinstating a suspended or revoked alcohol license, Bars that make less than 50% of revenue from food must close by midnight and remain closed on Christmas Day and other state-restricted days, Security is now mandatory at bars: o At least one POST-certified officer must always be present, Additional officers are required for every 100 patrons after 8:00 PM, All bars must install video cameras inside and outside to the satisfaction of Pelham Police. After discussion, it was decided to remove this item from the agenda for this month.

### **PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS**

City Manager Drake presented two candidates to serve on the City's Planning Commission:

Ben Wingard of 202 Green Street, Pelham, Georgia

Marian S. McCormick of 349 Barrow Avenue, Pelham, Georgia

City Manager Drake is recommending the Council approve both of the candidates.

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

### **ALCOHOL LICENSE-114 GREEN ST**

The business name for the business located at 114 Green St has changed, resulting in a new alcohol license being required. Based on the recommendation from the police chief, City Manager Drake is recommending the Council approve the Alcohol License for SONIL 1966 LLC. for Beer Package and Wine Package only license at 114 Green St.

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

### **SURPLUS EQUIPMENT**

City Manager Drake presented a list of equipment to surplus in order to list for sale on GovDeals.com:

Fork lift serial # D1293 (Inoperable)

Welder trailer unknown serial # (Inoperable)

1990 Ford F-800 VIN# 1FDXK84A6LVA33582 (Inoperable)

Fork Lift Serial # 1057-541 (Inoperable)\

Floodlight Trailer unknown serial # (Inoperable)

Upright Yamaha piano serial # T174611 (Needs repairs)

City Manager Drake is recommending the Council approve surplus the items and equipment listed.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

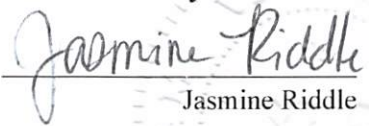
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Mayor Eubanks declared the meeting closed at 7:45 p.m.

  
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Mayor, James Eubanks

AUTHENTICATED:

This 19<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025

  
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Jasmine Riddle