The City of Pelham

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

August 21, 2025 – 6:30 p.m. – Council Chambers

PRESENT:

Mayor James Eubanks
Mayor Pro Tem, Rhonda Brown
Council Member Bennett Adams
Council Member Fredrick Davis
Council Member Bobby Robinson
Council Member Cody Shiver
Council Member Mistry Troutman
City Manager, Christian Drake
City Attorney, Tommy Coleman
Police Chief, Nealie McCormick
Asst Police Chief, Rod Williams

Accounts Payable Clerk, Jasmine Riddle Enterprise-Journal, Randy Wind Bennett Wingard

Jessica Daughtry
Michael McEntyre
Ben Finley
Janet Haro
Jesus Haro
Laron Smith
Trudie Ward
Charles Brimberry

With a quorum present, Mayor Eubanks called the meeting to order at 6:29 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the opening prayer provided by Council Member Troutman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council Member Adams made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Council Member Davis. The vote was unanimous.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Pro Tem Brown made a motion to approve the minutes for the July 17, 2025 Council Meeting and the August 14, 2025, Work Session, seconded by Council Member Davis. The vote was unanimous.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A review of all department reports.

FINANCIAL REPORT

A review of the financial report.

ROAD CLOSURE-PELHAM CITY SCHOOLS HOMECOMING PARADE

Pelham City Schools will be hosting their Homecoming Parade on September 25, 2025. They will be following the traditional parade route. They are requesting the road closures be in effect from 5:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Council Member Shiver made a motion to approve the temporary road closure for the Pelham High School Homecoming Parade, seconded by Council Member Davis. The vote was unanimous.

ROAD CLOSURE-COMMUNITY OUTREACH EVENT

Walker Street Outreach Ministry is hosting a Community Blessing Day at Frances Davis Park on August 30, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. They are requesting Eddie Bum Jackson Way be closed for the duration of the event to ensure the safety of attendees and to limit vehicle traffic.

Council Member Troutman made a motion to approve the temporary road closure for the Community Blessing Day, seconded by Council Member Robinson. The vote was unanimous.

ROAD CLOSURE-DOWNTOWN FUNDRASING BENEFIT

Flier's Cornhole, Chuy's Grill and Bar, and The Tavern are partnering to host a fundraiser to benefit Trey James and his family. Mr. James suffered a catastrophic medical event that has made it impossible for him to work and provide for his family. He and his wife have incurred medical expenses as well for his recovery. The event will be held September 6, 2025. The event organizers are requesting the Mathewson Ave Parking Lot be closed to accommodate the cornhole tournament that will be taking place from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Council Member Davis made a motion to approve the temporary parking lot closure for the fundraising benefit, seconded by Council Member Shiver. The vote was unanimous.

ALCOHOL REQUEST-DOWNTOWN FUNDRAISING BENEFIT

Flier's Cornhole, Chuy's Grill and Bar, and The Tavern are partnering to host a fundraiser to benefit Trey James and his family. They are asking for approval to allow patrons of Chuy's Grill & Bar and The Tavern to be able to purchase alcohol at their establishments and be able to have them in the designated event area outside. They will follow the same guidelines used for similar instances at past events.

Council Member Shiver made a motion to approve the alcohol request for the fundraising benefit, seconded by Council Member Adams. Council Members Shiver, Davis, Adams, and Mayor Pro Tem voted in favor. Council Member Robinson Voted against. Council Member Troutman abstained from voting. The motion passed.

MITCHELL COUNTY 2025 TSPLOST INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

City Manager Drake presented the proposed 2025 TSPLOST Intergovernmental Agreement with Mitchell County for the Council's approval. The agreement outlines Pelham's allocation of anticipated revenues, project list and eligible uses of funds. It also lists the same information for the other participating municipalities and the county.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown made a motion to authorize execution of the Mitchell County 2025 T SPLOST Intergovernmental Agreement, seconded by Council Member Robinson. The vote was unanimous.

UGA CYBERARCH AGREEMENT

City Manager Drake presented information regarding the university of Georgia CyberArk program. The program, administered through the Carl Vinson Institute of Government, assists Georgia communities and businesses in identifying and addressing cyber security challenges through research, policy analysis, and education. The city would receive a cyber security risk review and analysis report. The program is provided at no cost to the city.

Council Member Shiver made a motion to approve the UGA CyberArk Agreement and authorize the mayor to execute the agreement on behalf of the city, seconded by Council Member Davis. The vote was unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-POTENTIAL LITIGATION

Council Member Davis made a motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of potential litigation, seconded by Council Member Robinson. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Eubanks declared the regular meeting closed at 6:40 p.m.

RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION

Mayor Pro Tem Brown made a motion to come out of the executive session and reconvene the regular session, seconded by Council Member Troutman. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Eubanks declared the Regular Meeting back in order at 7:12 p.m.

ADJOURN

Council Member Robinson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council Member Shiver. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Eubanks declared the meeting closed at 7:13 p.m.

Mayor, James Eubanks

AUTHENTICATED:

This 18th day of September 2025

Jasmine Riddle