

The City of Pelham

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION

April 10, 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 Cody Shiver
City Manager, Christian Drake
Police Chief, Nealie McCormick
Asst. Police Chief, Rod Williams

DDA/Main Street Director, Cameron Harris
Accounts Payable Clerk, Jasmine Riddle
Enterprise-Journal, Randy Wind
Trantaveous Troutman
Dontavius Gibson
Robert Jakes
Eugene Lewis
Oscar Maples
Devery Spence

***Absent from the meeting were Council Member Robinson and Council Member Troutman. ***

With a quorum present, Mayor Eubanks called the meeting to order at 6:30p.m.

REQUEST TO APPEAR-COTTON BLOOM LODGE

Mr. Robert Jakes appeared before the Council on behalf of Cotton Bloom Lodge to request permission to adopt MLK, Jr. Blvd. The purpose of adopting this street would be for the members of Cotton Bloom Lodge to keep the road clean and presentable.

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for approval: March 20, 2025, Council Meeting
April 10, 2025, Work Session

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A review of all department reports. Mayor Eubanks gave an update on the funding that has been procured for the Carnegie Library renovation project. City Manager Drake highlighted the work Code Enforcement

Officer James Timmons has done with the Historic Preservation Committee. He also highlighted the annual assessment that was done for the Pelham Main Street program.

ROAD CLOSURE- PELHAM MAIN STREET CAR SHOW

Pelham Main Street will be hosting a Car Show on May 3rd from 9:00 am until 3L:00 pm. They are requesting a road closure on W Railroad St from the intersection of Hand Ave to the intersection of Mathewson Ave. They are also requesting the closure of the city-owned parking lot next to the Chamber. The road closure will last from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm. City Manager Drake is recommending approval of the road and parking lot closure.

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

ALCOHOL REQUEST-316 MLK JR BLVD, UNIT-A

Bruce Williams is requesting an alcohol license for his business, Bruce Food Mart, located at 316 MLK Jr. Blvd, Unit-A. Police Chief McCormick is recommending approval based on a satisfactory background check that was completed. The City Manager is recommending approval of the alcohol license.

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

CITY OF ETHICS

City Manager Drake presented Resolution 2025-04-17-01 to recertify the City of Pelham's participation in the Georgia Municipal Association's City of Ethics program. City Manager Drake is recommending the Council adopt the resolution.

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

UPDATE PERSONNEL POLICY

City Manager Drake presented an updated Personnel Policy, highlighting the changes that were made including adding a sexual harassment policy, a whistleblower policy, and updating the observed holidays, holiday work compensation policy, and the annual leave policy.

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

ADJOURN

Mayor Eubanks declared the meeting closed at 7:08 p.m.

James T. Eubanks
Mayor, James Eubanks

AUTHENTICATED:

This 17th day of April 2025

Jasmine Riddle
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