The City of Pelham

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

November 15, 2018 – 6:30 p.m. – Council Chamber PRESENT:

Mayor James Eubanks
Mayor Pro-Tem Alfred Brown
Council Member Jeremy Hatcher
Council Member Loys Johnson
Council Member Winfred Parker
Council Member Ansel Parrish
Council Member Bobby Robinson
Council Member Tad Williamson

City Manager, Craig Bennett
City Clerk, Lisa Austin
City Attorney, Flin Coleman
Police Chief, Nealie McCormick
Fire Chief, Ivey Godwin
Pelham Journal, Taylor High
Jane Hu

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

REGULAR SESSION – LED BY MAYOR EUBANKS

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

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

MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING

Council Member Williamson made a motion to approve minutes from the October 20, 2018 Regular Council Meeting as presented, seconded by Council Member Johnson. The vote was unanimous.

RED RIBBION PROCLAMATION

Mayor Eubanks read the Red Ribbon Proclamation and stated November 12-16 has been designated as National Red Ribbon Week which encourages Americans to wear a Red Ribbon to show their support for a drug-free environment. Mayor Eubanks proclaimed November 12-16 as Red Ribbon Week in the City of Pelham and urges all citizens to join the city in this special event.

ZONING APPLICATIONS

Council Member Parrish made a motion to approve the conditional use application for a Home Business located in R1 zone for Cheryl Moore located at 462 Dogwood Drive NE for Photography Studio/Office, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Brown. The vote was unanimous.

The proposal to rezone portions of NW Pelham to R2 will be reviewed at the next work session on December 13, 2018.

2019 ALCOHOL LICENSE RENEWALS

Council Member Johnson made a motion to approve the 2019 Alcohol Licenses Renewals, seconded by Council Member Robinson. The vote was unanimous.

INVENTORY TAX EXEMPTION RESOLUTION

Council Member Parrish made a motion to reaffirm the adoption of inventory tax exemption "Freeport" passed on November 7, 1978 but does further show that the City does not have any local Freeport exemptions, **seconded by Council Member Parker**. The vote was unanimous.

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION NOMINEE

Council Member Parker made a motion to approve nominee Mr. Charles Gilbert to the City's Planning and Zoning Commission, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Brown. The vote was unanimous.

HURRICANE MICHALE AFTER ACTION REVIEW

After action review of Hurricane Michael was presented to the Council summarizing the positive things that were done as well as the challenges in which the city faces. Good things included: Community's response, both individual residents and organizations, Community's support to city efforts, and Efforts of the Police Department, Fire Department, and Utility/Public Works Department. The Challenges included: Lack of the public's respect for pending storm, Lack of communication with the community, both for broadcast of valuable information and solicitation of needs, Dependency on electricity, to include the water system, Lack of fuel for city business, and Lack of a city cash reserve.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Reviewed department reports from Pelham Police Department, Municipal Court, Fire Department, and Code Enforcement.

CITY MANAGERS REPORT

City Manager Bennett reported on the Hurricane Recovery efforts and FEMA will continue in the area until Tuesday, November 20th. The debris cleanup has started and will continue until they have picked up all the storm debris. On November 27th the Christmas Tree lighting will be held at City Hall at 6:30 p.m., and the Christmas Parade will be held Thursday, November 29th at 6:30 p.m. Also, discussed the IDP Housing closing for the Hand Trading Building.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the Pelham City Council, **Council Member Parker** made a motion to adjourn the meeting, **seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Brown.** The vote was unanimous. Mayor Eubanks declared the meeting closed at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor, James Eubanks

AUTHENTICATED:

This 20th Day of December 2018.

City Clerk, Lisa Austin

