

# *The City of Pelham*

## **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

**August 19, 2021 – 6:30 p.m. – Council Chambers/Zoom**

### **PRESENT:**

Mayor James Eubanks  
Mayor Pro-Tem Alfred Brown  
Council Member Bennett Adams  
Council Member Fredrick Davis  
Council Member Robert Hodges  
Council Member Ansel Parrish

City Manager, Craig Bennett  
City Clerk, Lisa Austin  
Attorney, Flin Coleman-Zoom  
Police Chief, Nealie McCormick

Enterprise-Journal, Randy Wind-Zoom  
William Almond-Zoom  
Melvin Patterson-Zoom

\*\*\*\*Absent from the City Council meeting was Council Member Bobby Robinson\*\*\*\*

With a quorum present, Mayor Eubanks called the meeting to order at 6:35 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 Hodges made a motion to approve the agenda as distributed, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Brown. The vote was unanimous.**

#### **CITIZENS COMMENTS**

- Mr. Melvin Patterson addressed the council with concerns about Everett Alley not being paved. Mr. Patterson stated the street is a dirt road within the city. Mr. Patterson stated the condition of the road is bad and asked for the possibility of paving the street.
- William Almond addressed the council about employee compensation. Mr. Almond asked the council to consider raises.

#### **COUNCIL MINUTES**

**Council Member Adams made a motion to approve minutes from July 8, 2021, Called Council Meeting, July 15, 2021, Regular Council Meeting, and August 4, 2021, Called Council Meeting as distributed, seconded by Council Member Parrish. The vote was unanimous.**

## **ALCOHOL PERMITS REQUEST**

The Chamber of Commerce requests the City Council's approval of alcohol sales at the upcoming Wildlife Festival, held October 2, 2021, in Freedom Park, Kahn Park, and throughout Downtown Pelham.

Main Street request alcohol sales at the upcoming event in partnership with Southern Sass on September 11, 2021, on Mathewson Street between Blythe Street and Church Street.

Permission is required in order to petition for a State of Georgia Special Event Alcohol Beverage Permit.

**Council Member Hodges made a motion to approve the request for both events and to petition for a State of Georgia Special Event Alcohol Beverage Permit, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Brown. The vote was unanimous.**

## **DOWNTOWN STRATEGY**

The City of Pelham Downtown Development Authority is submitting a Rural Zone Designation application in August 2021 through the State of Georgia Department of Community Affairs in partnership with the Georgia Department of Economic Development. A resolution was presented endorsing the Pelham Downtown Development Authority's Downtown Strategy.

**Council Member Davis made a motion to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Brown. The vote was unanimous.**

## **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Reviewed financial reports of July 2021 that were presented.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**


Reviewed department reports from July 2021 from the Pelham Police Department, Fire Department, Utility Department, and Code Enforcement.

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Bennett stated he would email the city manager report to the council.

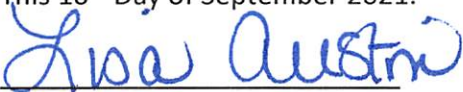
**ADJOURN**

With no further business to come before the Pelham City Council, **Mayor Pro-Tem Brown** made a motion to adjourn the meeting, **seconded by Council Member Adams**. The vote was **unanimous**. **Mayor Eubanks** declared the meeting closed at **7:07 p.m.**

  
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Mayor, James Eubanks

**AUTHENTICATED:**

This 16<sup>th</sup> Day of September 2021.

  
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City Clerk, Lisa Austin

