# The City of Pelham

## MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION

January 12, 2023 – 6:30 p.m. – Council Chambers PRESENT:

Mayor James Eubanks

Mayor Pro-Tem Alfred Brown

Council Member Bennett Adams

Council Member Rhonda Brown

Council Member Fredrick Davis

Council Member Bobby Robinson

Council Member Cody Shiver

City Manager, Christian Drake

City Clerk, Lisa Austin

Police Chief, Nealie McCormick

Enterprise-Journal, Mesha Wind

Utility Clerk, Jasmine Riddle Waste Management, Steve Edwards Betsy McPherson

Betty Davis

Donita Thompson

Judy Sherrod

Kathy Chew

Joy Hurst

Miriam Powell

Jimmy Rogers

Gayle Smith

Esterlita West

Jan Shelnutt

Chester Shelnutt

Nancy Ritcher

With a quorum present, Mayor Eubanks called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

## CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

#### REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

This will be an ACTION ITEM.

#### COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Minutes for approval: December 15, 2023 Regular Council Meeting January 12, 2023 Work Session

This will be an ACTION ITEM.

## REQUEST TO APPEAR-BETSY MCPHERSON

Ms. McPherson spoke to the Council regarding the post card that was sent to all residents from Waste Management about the yard debris pick up policy. Steve Edwards, a Waste Management representative, also spoke to address the concerns that Ms. McPherson outlined.

#### REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION

Greg Icard and Ray Jordan of ABM Building Solutions, LLC made a presentation outlining financial solutions for critical city needs. City Manager Drake is recommending the Council approve sending out a Request for Qualifications for an Energy Saving Performance Contract.

This will be an ACTION ITEM.

#### LMIG FY 21-23 BIDS

City Manager Drake presented information from the bid opening for the road resurfacing project. He is recommending the Council Accept Watkins & Associates LLC's recommendation to enter into agreement with Reeves Construction Company to construct the project "FY 21-23 LMIG for Road Resurfacing" in the amount of \$414, 752.60.

This will be an ACTION ITEM.

#### MITCHELL COUNTY RECREATION INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

The Mitchell County Board of Commissioners has asked for the City of Pelham to enter into an agreement that would allow them to use the City's recreation facilities for county recreation over the next four years. City Manager Drake is recommending the Council Approve the IGA to allow Mitchell County to utilize the City's recreation facilities for County recreation over the next four years.

This will be an ACTION ITEM.

#### FIRE RESPONSE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

City Manager Drake is recommending that the City Council approve the City of Pelham to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Mitchell County outlining the Pelham Fire Department's EMS response responsibilities and the Mitchell County Fire Department's Fire Assistance responsibilities to combat the issue of the Fire Department being at 50% capacity.

This will be an ACTION ITEM.

#### QUALIFYING FEES FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS-SECOND READING

City Manager Drake is recommending that the City Council adopt an ordinance fixing and publishing qualifying fees (Mayor: \$108.00, City Council: \$72.00, and School Board: \$36.00) for offices subject to election in the year of 2023.

This will be an ACTION ITEM.

#### SOUTHWEST GEORGIA REGIONAL COMMISSION COUNCIL APPOINTTEE

City Manager Drake is recommending the City Council to reappoint Mr. Nathaniel Keaton and Mr. Danny Palmer to the Southwest Georgia Regional Commission Council for 2023.

This will be an ACTION ITEM.

#### ROAD CLOSURE

City Manager Drake is recommending the City Council Approve the road closure on Mathewson Ave. from the intersection of Church St. to the intersection of Blythe St. on January 28, 2023, from 2:00PM - 5:00 PM. for the purpose of Southern Sass Café hosting a Corn Hole Tournament to benefit Levi Burkett, who is recovering from burns after being in a home fire.

This will be an ACTION ITEM.

#### LANGLEY PROPERTY

City Manager Drake is recommending the City Council Adopt a resolution to ratify the previous agreement the City had with A. Whaley, dated January 20, 1952.

This will be an ACTION ITEM.

#### FINANCIAL REPORTS

A review of the financial reports.

#### DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A review of all the department reports.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council Member Shiver made a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of personnel, seconded by Council Member Davis. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Eubanks declared the meeting closed at 8:37 p.m.

## RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION

Council Member Adams made a motion to come out of Executive Session and Reconvene Regular Session, seconded by Council Member Robinson. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Eubanks declared the Regular Meeting back in session at 9:11 p.m.

#### **ADJOURN**

Mayor Eubanks declared the meeting closed at 9:12 p.m.

Mayor, James T. Eubanks

**AUTHENTICATED:** 

This 19th day of January 2023

Jasmine Riddle