# The City of Pelham

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

# November 17, 2016 - 6:30 p.m. - Council Chamber

#### PRESENT:

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

City Manager, Jim Hedges
City Clerk, Lisa Austin
City Attorney, Tommy Coleman
Pelham Journal, Carl Stokes
MCTV, Jerry White
Police Chief Nealie McCormcik
Fire Chief, Ivey Godwin

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.

#### **CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Hedges reported on the following: Christmas lights are going up downtown as well as the Christmas tree, Congratulated Pelham on the Community Block Grant, The Library roof is almost completed, Pictures of a house on Sapp Avenue that will be torn down and has been thru Municipal Court due to the Property Maintenance Ordinance, Cement Ditches on Liberia Street have been cleaned out this will be an Annual Cleanup for all cement ditches in order to keep the water flowing, Street Sweeper is doing an outstanding job and has picked up tons of dirt and debris in the roadways, Wilder Street Ditch Improvement Program is almost complete. Discussed and viewed the city financials.

#### **REGULAR SESSION**

#### **MAYOR EUBANKS PRESIDING**

#### **APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**Council Member Parker made a motion** to approve the agenda as written, seconded by **Council Member Robinson. The vote was unanimous.** 

<sup>\*\*</sup>Absent for the meeting was Council Member Loys Johnson\*\*

#### **MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING**

**Council Member Brown made a motion** to approve minutes from the October 20, 2016 Regular Meeting as written, **seconded by Council Member Parrish**. The vote was unanimous.

#### **ALCOHOL LICENSE NAME CHANGE**

**Council Member Parker made a motion** to approve the alcohol license to the new owner Satya Guruju the business name will change to JMD Pelham Inc. which is located at 144 E. Railroad St., seconded **by Council Member Robinson**. **The vote was unanimous**.

#### **VETERAN'S PARK**

**Council Member Parrish made a motion** to authorize a letter to be sent to the Board of Education requesting the Veteran's Park to be deeded to the City of Pelham, **seconded by Council Member Parker**. The vote was unanimous.

## **QUICK CLAIM DEEDS**

**Council Member Parrish made a motion** to move forward with the transfer of the Old Police Station and the Drive- In Bank at the Depot and quick claim the deeds to the Downtown Development Authority, **seconded by Council Member Robinson**. The vote was unanimous.

### **HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT**

Council Member Parker made a motion to adopt the Ordinance Pursuant to the Municipal Home Rule Act of 1945 Amending the Charter of the City of Pelham, Georgia, to Amend the Powers and Duties of the City Manager: To Provide for the Appointment, Removal, Qualifications and Compensation of Department Heads; To Repeal All Ordinances and Charter Provisions in Conflict Herewith; and for other purposes, seconded by Council Member Parrish. The vote was unanimous.

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

The following department reports were included in Council packets to review:

Code Enforcement, Fire Department, Police Department, and W/G/S Department Utility Report.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Pelham City Council, Council Member Parrish made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council Member Parker. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Eubanks declared the meeting closed at 6:47 p.m.

Mayor, James Eubanks

**AUTHENTICATED:** 

This 15<sup>TH</sup> Day of December 2016.

City Clerk, Lisa Austin