

# *The City of Pelham*

## **MINUTES OF THE CALLED MEETING**

**February 24, 2017 – 2:00 p.m. – Council Chamber**

### **PRESENT:**

Mayor James Eubanks  
Council Member Jeremy Hatcher  
Council Member Loys Johnson  
Council Member Winfred Parker  
Council Member Ansel Parrish  
Council Member Tad Williamson

City Manager, Jim Hedges  
City Clerk, Lisa Austin  
Fire Chief, Ivey Godwin  
Police Chief, Nealie McCormick

\*\*\* Council Member Alfred Brown, and Council Member Bobby Robinson was absent for the meeting.\*\*\*

With a quorum present, Mayor Eubanks called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Mayor Eubanks provided the opening prayer.

### **REGULAR SESSION**

#### **MAYOR EUBANKS PRESIDING**

#### **MITCHELL COUNTY FIRE SERVICES AGREEMENT**

Mitchell County Imposed a Fire Service Fee in 2015. Pelham and Camilla receive \$12,500 each; balance goes to Mitchell County Volunteer Fire Association. Pelham and Camilla are not part of the Mitchell County Volunteer Fire Association. City Attorney Coleman has stated the City of Pelham cannot legally contract with a non-governmental entity to provide fire services. Contractual agreement and payment can only be with Mitchell County.

The following terms are being required from the Mitchell County:

Mitchell County must enter into a contract with Pelham for fire services in the unincorporated area by March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Mitchell County must pay Pelham \$30,000 by March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

No contract, no payment, Pelham will discontinue providing fire services in the unincorporated area at 12:01 a.m. on March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Council Member Hatcher made a motion to demand an Annual Contract beginning at \$30,000 and negotiate terms, seconded by Council Member Parrish. The vote in favor were Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Parrish, and Council Member Williamson. Council Member Parker abstained from the vote due to working relations with Mitchell County. Mayor Eubanks stated the motion will carry.**

**ADJOURN**

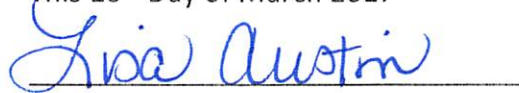
**With no further business to come before the Pelham City Council, Council Member Parrish made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council Member Johnson. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Eubanks declared the meeting closed at 2:10 p.m.**

  
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Mayor, James Eubanks



AUTHENTICATED:

This 16<sup>th</sup> Day of March 2017

  
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City Clerk, Lisa Austin

