

The City of Pelham

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION

September 12, 2024 – 6:30 p.m. – Council Chambers

PRESENT:

Mayor James Eubanks	Economic Development Director, Cameron Harris
Council Member Bennett Adams	Accounts Payable Clerk, Jasmine Riddle
Council Member Fredrick Davis	Enterprise-Journal, Randy Wind
Council Member Bobby Robinson	David Chambers
Council Member Cody Shiver	Randy Due
Council Member, Mistry Troutman	Doris Swarn
City Manager, Christian Drake	Teresa Robinson
Police Chief, Nealie McCormick	Bruce Williams
Asst. Police Chief, Rod Williams	CKH Group, Brian Cagle
Investigator, Adam Lamb	Janie Holton
	Curtis Brown

***** Absent from the meeting was Mayor Pro Tem Brown*****

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

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

REQUEST TO APPEAR-TERESA ROBINSON

Ms. Teresa Robinson appeared before the Council to discuss issues with Council Member behavior, specifically with actions and behavior directed towards her.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for approval: August 15, 2024, Council Meeting
September 12, 2024, Work Session

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A review of all department reports. Mr. Brian Cagle from CKH Group appeared before the Council to introduce himself and his company. His company will be providing auditing services for the city.

FINANCIAL REPORT

A review of the financial report.

MENTAL HEALTH CO-RESPONDERS PROCLAMATION AWARD

City Manager Drake presented a proclamation honoring National Mental Health Co-responders Week held September 15-23, 2024. The proclamation recognizes the importance of the week and expresses the City's appreciation for our local mental health co-responders.

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

ROAD CLOSURES

Pelham City Charter School System is requesting a road closure for their homecoming parade to be held September 19, 2024. They are requesting the normal parade route be blocked off from 5:30p.m.-6:45 p.m.

The Pelham Chamber of Commerce is requesting a road closure for their annual Wildlife Festival that will be held October 5, 2024. They are requesting Mathewson Ave from the intersection of W Railroad St to the intersection of E Railroad St be blocked.

Chuy's Grill & Bar is requesting a road closure for their Trunk or Treat event that will be held October 26, 2024. The event will take place from 6:00p.m-9:00p.m. They are requesting Mathewson Ave be closed from the intersection of Blythe St to the intersection of McLaughlin St.

Due to the timing of the request, a motion and vote was taken for the Homecoming Parade Road closure. **Council Member Shiver made a motion** to approve the road closure, seconded by Council Member Adams. **The vote was unanimous.**

City Manager Drake is recommending the Council approve the road closures for the Wildlife Festival and the Trunk or Treat events.

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

REZONING APPLICATION-203 W RAILROAD ST S

City Manager Drake presented Letters of Recommendation from the Southwest Georgia Regional Commission and the City of Pelham Planning & Zoning Board, recommending approval of the rezoning application submitted by the owner of On the Go IGA (also known as The Market IGA) at 203 W Railroad St. S. The purpose of the rezoning is to convert the existing grocery store to a quick-service food store by adding gas pumps.

City Manager Drake is recommending the Council approve the rezoning application.

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

SET 2024 MILEAGE

City Manager Drake presented a resolution and ordinance to the Council. The purpose of the resolution and ordinance is to set the 2024 Mileage rate. The proposed mileage rate is 25.645 mills.

City Manager Drake is recommending the Council adopt the resolution and ordinance.

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

TAX COLLECTION CONTRACT

City Manager Drake presented the proposed 2024 Tax Collection Contract to allow Mitchell County to bill and collect ad valorem tax on behalf of the City.

City Manager Drake is recommending the Council approve the 2024 Tax Collection Contract between the City and Mitchell County.

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

ETHICS BOARD

City Manager Drake presented the requirements for the ethics board that was established by the Council in 2016. The ethics board will consist of three people. The mayor can nominate two people, one requiring Council voting and approval, and the Council can nominate the third member.

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

PURCHASE OF POLICE VEHICLE FROM SPLOST

City Manager Drake is requesting approval to utilize Special Purpose Local Option Tax (SPLOST) funds to purchase a 2024 Dodge Ram truck, complete with a vehicle package, for the police department. This is part of the City's efforts to ensure the City's fleet of vehicles is fully equipped and operational. The purchase aligns with the City's planned budget. The truck is priced at \$52,225.

City Manager Drake is recommending the Council approve the purchase of the 2024 Dodge Ram using SPLOST funds.

This will be an **ACTION ITEM**.

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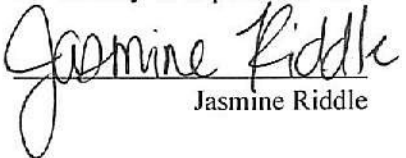
Mayor Eubanks declared the meeting closed at 7:53 p.m.



Mayor, James Eubanks

AUTHENTICATED:

This 26th day of September 2024



Jasmine Riddle

