

**City of Pelham
City Council Work Session**

September 10, 2007

MINUTES

Members of the Pelham City Council met on September 10, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. with Council President Karyl Rice presiding. The meeting was held at Pelham City Hall in the Mayor's office and open to the public.

The following elected officials were present:

Mayor Bobby Hayes
Ms. Karyl Rice, Council President
Ms. Rosemary Metcalf, Council Member
Mr. Willard Payne, Council Member
Mr. Mike Dickens, Council Member
Mr. Robert Sullivan, Council Member

Media present: Samantha Hurst, Shelby County Reporter
 Jeremy Gray, The Birmingham News

Also present: Revenue Director Mike Morgan
 Auditor Phyllis Koon
 Finance Director Tom Seale

The meeting was called to order.

Rosemary Metcalf moved to approve the August 20, 2007 and August 29, 2007 work session minutes, Robert Sullivan seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

The City Council discussed general municipal business and items on the council agenda.

Mike Dickens asked Mayor Hayes to expound on his planned comments for the council meeting as it concerned his school recommendations relating to the budget for FY2008. Mayor Hayes said he is proposing the city begin charging the schools for garbage, water and sewer beginning October 1, 2007. In May the city would look at how much the schools have paid and divide that money between the four schools with the city council having the authority to approve the donation amount and how the schools spent the money. Mike Dickens commented that he felt it would be better for the schools to know exactly how much money they would receive from the city at the beginning of the year in order to plan their budgets accordingly. Mayor Hayes said we could estimate the amount, but there is no way to know exactly how much the schools will pay for water and sewer.

Mike Morgan was present to discuss and receive direction from the council concerning the new business license ordinance the city is required to pass prior to January 1, 2008. Mike Dickens suggested and the council agreed to have the Revenue Department prepare the ordinance increasing the cap to 15 million and increasing the base license fee to \$120. The ordinance will be brought to the city council for a vote after the Revenue Department completes their work, and the Alabama League of Municipalities finalizes the model ordinance. No other action was taken during the work session.

There being no further business, Rosemary Metcalf moved to adjourn, and Willard Payne seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Donna Treslar Donna Treslar, City Clerk