

**City of Pelham
City Council Work Session**

November 17, 2008

MINUTES

Members of the Pelham City Council met on November 17, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. with President Mike Dickens presiding. The meeting was held in the conference room and open to the public.

The following elected officials were present:

Mayor Don Murphy
Mike Dickens, Councilmember
Bill Meadows, Councilmember
Teresa Nichols, Councilmember
Steve Powell, Councilmember
Karyl Rice, Councilmember

Media Present: None

Others present: Judge John McBrayer
 Beth McMillan
 Mickey Johnson
 Eddy Jowers
 Tom Seale
 Phyllis Koon
 Marsha Yates

Steve Powell moved to approve the October 20, 2008 and November 3, 2008 work session minutes as written, and Bill Meadows seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Finance Director Tom Seale gave a 30 minutes presentation on the current financial condition of the city and elaborated on the reports he provides to the Mayor, City Council and Department Heads on a monthly basis. He noted that the city is in sound financial condition.

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

Bill Meadows mentioned that he would like to see city officials meet with Superintendent Randy Fuller to discuss the schools that serve Pelham students and ways we can partner to improve our education system.

Steve Powell asked that more information be provided with resolutions dealing with bids. He specifically asked for the line item number, the line item expenditures and the line item balance. A discussion followed and it was decided the matter would be tabled.

Mayor Murphy introduced Eddy Jowers his selection for Public Works Director, John McBrayer his selection for Municipal Judge and Mickey Johnson his selection for City Prosecutor. Teresa Nichols commented that she would like to see the city select department heads by advertising the position and interviewing candidates. She welcomed Mr. Jowers.

Bill Meadows addressed the City Prosecutor position by saying that he planned to make a motion to strike Mickey Johnson's name in the resolution and replace it with Charlie D. Waldrep. He noted that it was not personal, but that Charlie Waldrep had served the city for 29 years and he would like to see him get his 30 years in as city prosecutor. He also noted how well the Pelham Court system was run and the volume of cases they dispose of on any given court night.

With no further business before the council, Karyl Rice moved to adjourn, and Steve Powell seconded the motion. It passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Donna Treslar Donna Treslar, City Clerk