

CITY OF PELHAM – WORK SESSION

Pelham City Hall – Conference Room

January 20, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Proper notice of the regular scheduled Pelham City Council Work Session was given in advance of such public meeting and the notice remained posted through the scheduled meeting.

Members of the Pelham City Council met January 20, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. The regular work session was held in the Conference Room in Pelham City Hall and was open to the public.

Call to Order

The work session was called to order by Council President Hayes at 6:04 p.m.

Roll Call

The city clerk called the roll and the following elected officials were present:

Council President Rick Hayes
Councilmember Ron Scott
Councilmember Beth McMillan
Councilmember Maurice Mercer
Councilmember Karyl Rice
Mayor Gary W. Waters

Media Present: Jon Harrison, Shelby County Reporter; Martin Reed, Birmingham News; Rachel Crisson, Pelham City News

Others present: City department heads, city employees and members of the public.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Councilmember Scott to approve the January 5, 2015 regular council work session minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Mercer and passed unanimously by voice vote of those members present.

Mayor Waters' Comments

Mayor Waters had no comments.

Review of Council Agenda

President Hayes reviewed the January 20, 2015 city council agenda and called on Finance Director Tom Seale to update the council regarding the scheduled public hearing to address the failure to file tax returns and/or the non-payment of the related taxes of a Pelham business. Mr. Seale reported that

the business paid all taxes due today and recommended the council cancel the public hearing and remove it from the council agenda.

There were no items of old business and the council reviewed the resolutions under new business.

K. New Business

1. **Resolution 2015-01-20-01** for consideration to revoke the business license of Flames Steakhouse, Inc., d.b.a. 2 Pesos Cantina for failure to file tax returns and/or the non-payment of the related taxes.

Councilmember Rice moved to cancel the public hearing and remove both the hearing and Resolution 2015-01-20-01 from tonight's city council agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember McMillan. The Council President declared the motion passed unanimously by voice vote of all members present and the items were removed from the agenda.

2. **Resolution 2015-01-20-02** for consideration to approve the ABC application for Flynn and Thomas, LLC, trade name Full Till Bar Service located at 1974 Chandalar Drive, Suite B, Pelham, Alabama.

Applicant Dillon Thomas was present and answered questions asked by the council. Councilmember Scott moved to remove Resolution 2015-01-20-02 from tonight's council agenda and place it on the February 2, 2015 council agenda in order to give the council more time to become familiar with the business and applicant. The motion was seconded by Councilmember McMillan and passed unanimously by voice vote of all the members present. President Hayes declared the motion passed and requested the application be placed on the February 2, 2015 council agenda.

3. **Resolution 2015-01-20-03** for consideration to support the Alabama Bicentennial Commission in coordinating and promoting commemorative activities for Alabama's Bicentennial Celebration.

Councilmember Scott spoke to the resolution saying it makes a statement – the City of Pelham supports the governor's office and the Alabama Department of Tourism.

(End of January 20, 2015 Agenda Review)

Old Business

1. Update on the construction plans for the school board in the Water Department Administration Building and the related lease

Present Hayes reported he had met with Board of Education President Rick Rhoades and the engineers. Things are taking much longer than anticipated. There are minor corrections to be made to the plans, and everyone hopes to move forward quickly.

2. Update on the status of purchasing properties along AL 261 as part of the flood mitigation grant program

President Hayes reported the attorneys for the city and Alabama Power Company were finalizing the agreement concerning an easement and the city is hopeful to complete all the closings on the properties within the next week.

3. Update on the Pelham Senior Center expansion

President Hayes reported he and Library Director Barbara Roberts had met with Lathan Associates-Architects. They are working with the city to find good options for proceeding with the project since all the bids came in over budget. President Hayes doesn't expect to re-bid and thinks there are available options within the budget that will give the city a fair price. He hopes to have something to report by the next council meeting.

New Business - None

Announcements

1. The Pelham Commercial Development Authority (CDA) will meet in the conference room tonight at approximately 7:30.
2. The annual Polar Plunge for Special Olympics Alabama will be held on the beach at Oak Mountain State Park on January 31, 2015. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. and the plunge will take place at 10:00 a.m. There will be a costume contest prior to the plunge and all plungers will receive a t-shirt. A minimum registration fee of only \$50 is required and can be paid online at www.pelhamonline.com listed under the Police Department.
3. The city is working with the company which hosts the Documents and Archives link on our city website to correct the security certificate error message. The public can still access the site by choosing the proceed option in the error message. We hope to have this resolved soon.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the work session was made by Councilmember Rice and seconded by Councilmember McMillan. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote of those members present, and the work session was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 20th day of January, 2015.


Marsha Yates, CMC, City Clerk


Rick Hayes, President of the Council

