

The Pelham City Council convened at 7:00 p.m., Monday, February 19, 2001. Mayor Hayes called the meeting to order, and Willard Payne led the invocation.

Mayor Hayes asked that the record show all members of the council present.

Mike Dickens moved to suspend the oral reading of the minutes and approve the February 5, 2001, minutes as written. Willard Payne seconded the motion and all approved.

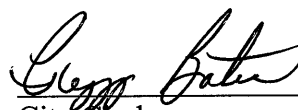
During old business a public hearing was held to consider Ordinance No. 135-127 changing the present zoning of B-2 General Business District to M-1 Light Industrial District on property located on Highway 31 and Highway 52. The applicants were David Bishop, Jack McGuire, John McGeever and Connie Standifer. Mayor Hayes noted that the zoning would revert to B-2 if this business does not use the property. John McGeever spoke in favor of this zoning and noted they agreed to zoning changes. Karyl Rice moved to approve Ordinance No. 135-127 as presented. Rosemary Metcalf seconded the motion and all approved.

Ordinance No. 324-1 amending the sales tax ordinance was presented.. Mayor Hayes stated that this would increase sales tax by one cent effective April 1, 2001. Jim Phillips moved to approve Ordinance No. 324-1 as written. Karyl Rice seconded the motion. During discussion, Jim Phillips stated that he had not heard any negative comments about the tax. Randall Vice spoke against the tax and asked that consideration be tabled to allow for a public forum. Mayor Hayes explained that all other surrounding cities have the tax and that the tax will not be effective until the county tax expires. Following the discussion, the council voted unanimously to pass Ordinance No. 324-1 increasing the sales tax by one cent effective April 1, 2001.

During new business, a resolution changing Ordinance No. 336 to No. 371 was introduced. Willard Payne moved to approve the resolution as presented. Jim Phillips seconded the motion and all approved.

Two ABC applications and resolutions were presented for Racetrac Petroleum, Inc. The first for 050 Retail Beer (Off Premises Only) and second, for 070 Retail Table Wine (Off Premises Only). Jim Phillips moved to approve the applications and resolutions as presented. Rosemary Metcalf seconded the motion and all approved.

With no other business before the council, Willard Payne moved to adjourn. Karyl Rice seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.



City Clerk