STATE OF ALABAMA ST. CLAIR COUNTY

The City Council of the City of Pell City met in a regularly scheduled work session at City Hall at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, October 28, 2024. Present were Council President Alverson, Councilmembers Jay Jenkins, Blaine Henderson, and Jason Mitcham. Those present constituting a quorum of the Council, Council President Alverson opened the meeting for discussion. Councilmember Ivi McDaniel was absent.

The invocation was led by Reverend Donald Gover.

The pledge to the American Flag was led by Councilmember Jay Jenkins.

The City Clerk had roll call for attendance.

There were no comments regarding the bills on file.

There were no comments regarding the minutes from the City Council Meetings held October 14, 2024.

City Clerk, Sheree Pruitt addressed the City Council regarding the upcoming meetings and the approved Holiday Schedule. After discussion the Council authorized moving the Council Meeting to be held on Monday November 11, 2024 to Tuesday, November 12, 2024.

City Clerk Sheree Pruitt addressed the City Council regarding the Final Plat for Morningside Phase 4. Mrs. Pruitt advised the plat was unanimously recommended for approval by the Planning Commission contingent on all engineering comments being met as well as the Low-Pressure Sewer System requirements being fulfilled. Mrs. Pruitt requested the Council consider approving the Final Plat with the same contingencies from Planning Commission.

Human Resources Director Dawn Childre addressed the City Council regarding an agreement with DREAM4. Ms. Childre advised if approved a select number of employees would attend the Leadership Training Program on a monthly basis for one year. She advised department heads, Human Resources, and the City Manager would determine the individuals to attend. Mr. Muenger advised there was a tentative list of names but it would be necessary to ensure the employees availability.

Police Chief Clay Morris, addressed the City Council regarding the hiring incentive for the Police Department. He advised it was an extension of the previously approved incentive and confirmed that of the five officers hired under the incentive four of the officers were still employed. Chief Morris advised the goal is to attract certified officers. City Manager Brian Muenger confirmed payment would be paid \$2,500 up front and \$2,500 upon completion of their first year with the City. Mr. Muenger advised the incentive was to be revisited in December 2025.

City Manager Brian Muenger addressed the City Council regarding the Fire Fighter Cancer Insurance Police. Mr. Muenger advised it was required pursuant to state code that the City carry a cancer policy for Fire Department Personnel. He confirmed the cost was \$8,280 per calendar year through Chubb.

Utility Superintendent James Hadaway addressed the City Council regarding an agreement for the installation of a fence at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. He advised the new fence would have a rolling front gate and confirmed Kelly Creek Construction had submitted the lowest quote. Mr. Muenger confirmed the cost was \$22,500.

Fire Chief Tim Kurzejeski addressed the City Council regarding the purchase of a High-Pressure Breathing Air Compressor System for Station 1. Chief Kurzejeski advised the system that was at the station was at end of life and advised the new system would be purchased through a cooperative purchasing program. He confirmed the requested system would be the same as the system that would be installed in the new Fire Station No. 2.

City Manager Comments: None.

Mayor Comments: Mayor Pruitt reminded everyone of election day and encourage everyone to vote.

City Attorney John Rea advised that the Council needed to enter into Executive Session to discuss a potential real estate transaction. Mr. Rea certified this qualified for Executive Session and did not expect the session to last any longer than ten minutes. Mr. Rea stated he did expect action from the session. At 5:50 p.m., Councilmember Mitcham made a motion to enter into Executive Session for approximately ten minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jenkins and unanimously approved by the Council. On roll call, those voting aye being: Councilmembers Jenkins, McDaniel, Henderson, Mitcham, and Council President Alverson. Nays: None. Council President Alverson declared the motion approved.

The City Council of the City of Pell City reconvened from the executive session into the Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday October 28, 2024. Present were Council President Alverson, Councilmembers Jay Jenkins, Blaine Henderson, Jason Mitcham, and Ivi McDaniel. Those present constituting the entirety of the Council, the following business was transacted:

The City Clerk had roll call for attendance.

Councilmember Jenkins moved that all rules and regulations, which unless suspended would prevent the amendment of said agenda, be suspended and that unanimous consent to amend the agenda be given. The motion was seconded by Councilmember McDaniel. On roll call vote those voting ayes being: Councilmember Jenkins, McDaniel, Henderson, Mitcham, and Council President Alverson. Nays: None. Council President Alverson declared the motion approved.

On motion of Councilmember Jenkins, seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, the Council unanimously approved to amend the agenda to add **RESOLUTION NO. 2024** – 6165 authorizing the purchase of certain property located on U.S. Highway 78. On roll call vote those voting ayes being: Councilmember Jenkins, McDaniel, Henderson, Mitcham, and Council President Alverson. Nays: None. Council President Alverson declared the motion approved.

On motion of Councilmember Jenkins, seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, the Council unanimously approved the agenda as amended.

On motion of Councilmember Henderson, seconded by Councilmember Mitcham, the Council unanimously approved the payment of bills on file.

On motion of Councilmember Jenkins, seconded by Councilmember Henderson, the Council unanimously approved the minutes from the City Council Meeting held on October 14, 2024.

On motion of Councilmember Mitcham, seconded by Councilmember Jenkins, the Council approved to reschedule the November 11, 2024 Council Meeting to take place on November 12, 2024.

On motion of Councilmember Mitcham, seconded by Councilmember Henderson, the Council unanimously approved **RESOLUTION NO. 2024** – 6159 authorizing the Final Plat for Morningside Phase 4.

On motion of Councilmember Mitcham, seconded by Councilmember Jenkins, the Council unanimously approved **RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 6160** authorizing an Agreement with Dream Four.

On motion of Councilmember Jenkins, seconded by Councilmember Henderson, the Council unanimously approved **RESOLUTION NO. 2024** – **6161** authorizing an extension of the Police Department Hiring Incentive.

On motion of Councilmember Mitcham, seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, the Council unanimously approved **RESOLUTION NO. 2024** – **6162** authorizing a proposal for the Fire Fighter Cancer Insurance Policy.

On motion of Councilmember Henderson, seconded by Councilmember Jenkins, the Council unanimously approved **RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 6163** authorizing an agreement for fence installation at the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

On motion of Councilmember Henderson, seconded by Councilmember Mitcham, the Council unanimously approved **RESOLUTION NO. 2024** – **6164** authorizing the purchase of a breathing air compressor system from Sunbelt Fire.

On motion of Councilmember Jenkins, seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, the Council unanimously approved **RESOLUTION NO. 2024** – **6165** authorizing the purchase of certain real property located on U.S. Highway 78. On roll call vote those voting ayes being: Councilmember Jenkins, and McDaniel. Councilmembers Henderson, Mitcham, and Council President Alverson abstained. Nays: None. City Attorney John Rea declared the motion approved.

On motion of Councilmember Mitcham, seconded by Councilmember Jenkins, the Council adjourned, subject to the call of Council President Alverson.

W. Judge Alverson - Council President

ATTEST:

Sheree D. Pruitt - City Clerk