

STATE OF ALABAMA
ST. CLAIR COUNTY

The City Council of the City of Pell City met in a special called work session at City Hall at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 12, 2024. Present were Council President Alverson, Councilmembers Jay Jenkins, Ivi McDaniel, Blaine Henderson, and Jason Mitcham. Those present constituting the entirety of the Council, Council President Alverson opened the meeting for discussion.

The invocation was led by Councilmember Jay Jenkins.

The pledge to the American Flag was led by Mayor Bill Pruitt.

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 28, 2024.

City Clerk, Sheree Pruitt addressed the City Council with regard to setting a public hearing to consider assessing abatement costs to the following properties. Mrs. Pruitt stated the properties had been abated by street department personnel, and advised the earliest possible date for the hearing was December 23, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

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| • 501 Wolf Creek Road South | Parcel No: 28-02-03-3-000-003.000 |
| • 606 29 th Street North | Parcel No: 23-07-36-4-005-017.000 |
| • 3103 6 th Avenue North | Parcel No: 22-09-31-3-001-033.000 |
| • 3227 7 th Avenue North | Parcel No: 22-09-31-3-001-010.000 |

City Clerk Sheree Pruitt addressed the City Council with regard to setting a public hearing to consider the revocation of a business license. Mrs. Pruitt advised the business had remained non-compliant with regard to payment of utilities and sales tax. She stated that often times the business only remitted sales tax upon contact from city personnel. Mrs. Pruitt confirmed that pursuant to Ordinance 2022-5797 it was necessary for the City Council to set a Public Hearing to consider the revocation. City Manager Brian Muenger advised the Council that at least ten days' notice to the business was required to allow the owner to participate in the public hearing. He confirmed each party would be provided a chance to present evidence with regard to the revocation. Mr. Muenger confirmed the next available date would be December 2, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

City Manager Brian Muenger addressed the City Council regarding an agreement with Hargray. Mr. Muenger advised the IT staff had been working for a number of months on replacing the city's current phone system, but stated it was necessary to ensure copper line services were available for the emergency alarms at the different buildings. He confirmed the lowest cost proposal received was from Hargray for \$31.84 per line with zero install cost and one-year contract.

City Manager Brian Muenger addressed the City Council with regard to accepting the funding of a COPS Hiring Grant. He confirmed the City had been selected under the FY24 hiring program which would provide the City with seventy-five percent funding for two officer positions for thirty-six months. He advised the city would be responsible for retaining these positions for at least one-year post grant funding. Mr. Muenger stated the City would receive the max amount of \$219,850 funding if the City accepted the award and confirmed the funding did not increase with inflation. He advised the City would be responsible for the difference of the increases such as insurance, COLA increases, annual increases, etcetera. Councilmember pointed out that the City was growing and the City would not have a huge financial burden for the positions until the fourth year. Assistant Chief Sean Stephen stated the primary goal would be community outreach such as attending HOA meetings, local business meetings to help conquer solutions to problems.

City Manager Brian Muenger addressed the City Council with regard to a new job description for a Crime and Intelligence Analyst Officer for the Police Department. Mr. Muenger advised the position was funded in the budget previously approved on pay grade seven. He confirmed the position was limited to 1,508 hours per year.

Utility Superintendent, James Hadaway addressed the City Council with regard to purchasing a crane truck for use in the Utility Department. He advised the request was for a F-550 with a crane body, to help lift pumps and assist with other needs. Mr. Hadaway confirmed that a contractor was paid to conduct those needs at that time.

City Manager Comments: Mr. Muenger advised the Council had an invite to the swearing in for the County Commissioners and recognized Councilmember Jay Jenkins on his lifetime achievement award from the Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Comments: None

On motion of Councilmember Mitcham, seconded by Councilmember Henderson, the Council Work Session was adjourned, subject to the call of Council President Alverson.

The City Council of the City of Pell City met in a special called council meeting at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 12, 2024. Present were Council President Alverson, Councilmembers Jay Jenkins, Ivi McDaniel, Blaine Henderson, and Jason Mitcham. Those present constituting the entirety of the Council, the following business was transacted:

The City Clerk had roll call for attendance.

On motion of councilmember Jenkins, seconded by Councilmember Mitcham, the Council unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

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

On motion of councilmember Henderson, seconded by Councilmember Mitcham, the Council unanimously approved the minutes from the City Council Meeting held on Monday October 28, 2024.

On motion of councilmember Henderson, seconded by Councilmember Mitcham, the Council unanimously approved setting a Public Hearing to consider assessing abatement costs to the following properties on December 23, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

501 Wolf Creek Road South	Parcel No: 28-02-03-3-000-003.000
606 29 th Street North	Parcel No: 23-07-36-4-005-017.000
3103 6 th Avenue North	Parcel No: 22-09-31-3-001-033.000
3227 7 th Avenue North	Parcel No: 22-09-31-3-001-010.000

On motion of councilmember Mitcham, seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, the Council unanimously approved setting a Public Hearing to consider the revocation of a business license on December 2, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

On motion of councilmember Henderson, seconded by Councilmember Mitcham, the Council unanimously approved **RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 6166** authorizing an agreement with Hargray.

On motion of councilmember Mitcham, seconded by Councilmember Henderson, the Council unanimously approved **RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 6167** authorizing the acceptance of the FY24 COPS Hiring Grant.

On motion of councilmember Jenkins, seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, the Council unanimously approved the new job description for a Crime and Intelligence Analyst Officer for the Police Department as presented.

On motion of councilmember Henderson, seconded by Councilmember Jenkins, the Council unanimously approved **RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 6168** authorizing the purchase of a crane truck for use in the Water / Waste Water Department.

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