

CITY OF PINEVILLE
Regular Council Meeting
April 10, 2007 - 6:00 P.M.
City Hall Council Room

MINUTES

The Mayor and Council of the City of Pineville, Louisiana, met in Regular Session on Tuesday April 10, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. in the council room of Pineville City Hall located at 910 Main Street, Pineville, Louisiana.

1. The Mayor called the meeting to order.
2. Councilman Martin led the invocation.
3. Councilman Dorn led the Pledge of Allegiance
4. ROLL CALL Present Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Martin
 Absent Councilman Bouchie
5. On motion by Councilman Dorn, seconded by Councilwoman Van Mol and passed, it was resolved to accept the minutes of the March 13th meeting as published.
6. On motion by Councilman Bishop, seconded by Councilman Martin and passed, it was resolved to accept the financial report as read by Kim Portier, Finance Director.
7. Ms. Angela Dickson representing the National Arbor Day Foundation along with Commissioner Bob Odom & the Department of Agriculture & Forestry presented the City of Pineville with the Tree City USA designation for the sixth year in a row.
8. Louisiana Alzheimer's Association representatives, Ms. April Green and Ms. Judy Giles announced an upcoming presentation scheduled for April 17, 2007 at Zion Hill Baptist Church, 312 Hunter Street, Pineville, Louisiana from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Continuing Education Credits will be given.
9. Founder of the "The Grace Club" (Girls Reaching All of Cenla for Eternity), Ms. Rhonda Buquoi, spoke about the non-denominational organization and its mission to help those individuals meeting the program criteria. Their web address is www.graceclub.org.
10. Ms. Mary Kee, representing the LaPine Chapter of the International Association of Administrative Professionals, was presented with a proclamation recognizing the week of April 22 – 28, 2007 as Administrative Professionals Week.
 - The Mayor recognized Alexandria Daily Town Talk reporter Karina Donica.
 - The Mayor recognized Chris Fett, owner of the restaurant "Chef's," which recently opened on Main Street, Pineville.
 - On motion by Councilwoman Van Mol, seconded by Councilman Bishop and passed, it was resolved to add an item to the agenda. Roll call was as follows:

<u>Yeas</u>	Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Martin
<u>Nays</u>	None
<u>Abstain</u>	None
<u>Absent</u>	Councilman Bouchie
 - 10A. On motion by Councilman Martin, seconded by Councilwoman Van Mol and passed, it was resolved to send both a letter of support as well as a resolution to our legislative delegation both expressing appreciation for the valuable contributions of the Department of Forestry, Research Center Division, located in Pineville, and urging them to do everything possible to introduce funding back into the budget to prevent closure of its Pineville location. Roll call was as follows:

<u>Yeas</u>	Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Martin
<u>Nays</u>	None
<u>Abstain</u>	None
<u>Absent</u>	Councilman Bouchie

- On motion by Councilman Bishop, seconded by Councilman Martin and passed, it was resolved to add an item to the agenda. Roll call was as follows:

<u>Yeas</u>	Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Martin
<u>Nays</u>	None
<u>Abstain</u>	None
<u>Absent</u>	Councilman Bouchie

- 10B. Recently retired Mayor of Alexandria, Ned Randolph, spoke relative to his new position with the Attorney General Charles Foti's office.

- On motion by Councilwoman Van Mol, seconded by Councilman Dorn and passed, it was resolved to adopt an ordinance for the Revocation of Nell Acres Subdivision, Pineville, Louisiana. Roll call was as follows:

<u>Yeas</u>	Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Martin
<u>Nays</u>	None
<u>Abstain</u>	None
<u>Absent</u>	Councilman Bouchie

- On motion by Councilman Bishop seconded by Councilman Dorn and passed, it was resolved to declare as surplus several items no longer able to be used within the departments.

- On motion by Councilwoman Van Mol, seconded by Councilman Dorn and passed, it was resolved to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Pineville has received the recommendation of Monceaux-Buller and Associates, LLC, Civil Engineer, that the street, drainage and sewer extensions to the municipal facilities of the City of Pineville, constructed by Heritage Development and Construction, L.L.C. as Developer and known as Phase II of Rue Donahue Subdivision (Lots 5-16), have been satisfactorily completed according to the plans and specifications previously approved by the City; and has received a form of Dedication of Facilities and Agreement for Maintenance from the Developer; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pineville has received a recommendation of acceptance from the City Engineer.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept a dedication of said facilities to the City of Pineville as a donation for public use as a part of the City's municipal facilities provided the City is held harmless from all costs of liens, claims and damages, and provided the Developer furnishes all maintenance and repair on the facilities for two (2) years from the date of the acceptance of the dedication of the facilities to the City. Roll call was as follows:

<u>Yeas</u>	Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol
<u>Nays</u>	None
<u>Abstain</u>	Councilman Martin
<u>Absent</u>	Councilman Bouchie

- On motion by Councilwoman Van Mol, seconded by Councilman Dorn and passed, it was resolved to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Pineville has received the request of Heritage Development & Construction, L.L.C. that the subdivision known as Rue Donahue -Phase II (Lots 5-16) be approved and accepted by the City of Pineville; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Pineville has received a recommendation of approval from the City's Engineer;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Filing Plat of the subdivision and other documents showing the dedication of public servitudes and property lines, said Filing Plat and Servitude Documents to be recorded with the Rapides Parish Clerk of Court. Roll call was as follows:

<u>Yeas</u>	Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol
<u>Nays</u>	None
<u>Abstain</u>	Councilman Martin
<u>Absent</u>	Councilman Bouchie

- On motion by Councilman Dorn, seconded by Councilwoman Van Mol and passed, it was resolved to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Pineville has previously advertised for bids on October 17, 2006 for the project to clear, grub and relocate City owned utilities in the recently acquired right-of-way for Susek Drive to make way for the roadway reconstruction project that is to follow.

WHEREAS, the bids were received; however, no award was recommended or could be made due to unresolved funding issues with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD).

WHEREAS, all funding issues have now been satisfactorily resolved with all parties and the City desires to move forward with this project.

WHEREAS, the Drawings and Specifications for the Project has been updated and the Engineer reports that the project is now ready for re-advertisement of bids.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to re-advertise for bids for the project. Roll call was as follows:

<u>Yeas</u>	Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Martin
<u>Nays</u>	None
<u>Abstain</u>	None
<u>Absent</u>	Councilman Bouchie

16. On motion by Councilman Martin, seconded by Councilwoman Van Mol and passed, it was resolved to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Pineville will utilize Capital Funding for the construction of Water Wells and Raw Water Mains, and,

WHEREAS, the Drawings and Specifications for the Project have been completed and the Engineer reports that the project is now ready for advertisement of bids.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to advertise for bids for the project and for bids to be received until 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 24, 2007 in the Council Meeting Room at the Pineville City Hall, 910 Main Street, Pineville, Louisiana, 71360. Roll call was as follows:

<u>Yeas</u>	Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Martin
<u>Nays</u>	None
<u>Abstain</u>	None
<u>Absent</u>	Councilman Bouchie

17. On motion by Councilman Dorn, seconded by Councilwoman Van Mol and passed, it was resolved to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the Developer (New Way Investments, Inc.) for the proposed resubdivision of Lot 5 and Western Portion of Lot 6 of Block 4 of Pineville Heights Subdivision, has submitted a "Short Form" Application for Subdivision Review and Plat approval; and,

WHEREAS, the Application and Plat have been reviewed and approved by the City Engineer;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to approve and accept the subdivision as shown on the filing plat. Roll call was as follows:

<u>Yeas</u>	Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Martin
<u>Nays</u>	None
<u>Abstain</u>	None
<u>Absent</u>	Councilman Bouchie

- The Mayor recognized Ms. Madonna LeBlanc, who will be coordinating efforts to fulfill the requirements in the application to have the City of Pineville designated as a "Main Street Community."
- The Mayor mentioned that the City of Pineville won the District level of the Cleanest City Contest and on May 8, 2007 would be competing on the State level.

There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion was made by Councilwoman Van Mol to adjourn, which was seconded by Councilman Bishop. The motion unanimously carried. Mr. Lawrence Foster closed with the benediction.

/s/Clarence R. Fields
Clarence R. Fields, Mayor

04/17/07
Date

/s/Ellen Melancon
Ellen Melancon, City Clerk

CERTIFICATE

I, Ellen Melancon, Clerk of the City of Pineville, do hereby certify that the attached above and foregoing is a true and correct record of the official action taken at the regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Pineville, State of Louisiana, in legal session convened on the 10th day of April 2007.

/s/Ellen Melancon
Ellen Melancon, City Clerk