

CITY OF PINEVILLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 11, 2007
MINUTES

Mayor Clarence R. Fields and the Council of the City of Pineville met in Regular Session on Tuesday December 11, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Room of Pineville City Hall located at 910 Main Street Pineville, Louisiana.

1. Mayor Fields called the meeting to order.
2. Councilman Martin led the invocation.
3. Councilman Bouchie led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Roll Call was as follows:

<u>Present</u>	Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Bouchie, Martin
<u>Absent</u>	None

 - Mayor Fields took a moment to congratulate Councilman Joe Bishop on his recent election to the Rapides Parish Police Jury, District B. Councilman Bishop will be sworn in and will officially begin his term as Police Juror on January 14, 2008.
 - Councilman Bishop thanked everyone for their help, support and hard work during the recent election saying he planned to take Pineville's "team" concept with him as he served as a Parish Juror.
 - Mayor Fields also spoke his appreciation of the hard work by the Fire Department, in conjunction with various other city departments, which earned the City a Fire Rating of 2.
5. The Mayor and Council recognized Pineville High School student, Kayla Hassell, for winning the "2007 LHSAA Poster and Program Cover Contest." This is the fifth consecutive year that a student from Pineville High School has won the honor under the instruction of Ms. Jeanie Basco. Both were presented with certificates of recognition and lapel pins.
6. On motion by Councilwoman Van Mol, seconded by Councilman Bouchie and passed, it was resolved to accept the minutes of the November 13th meeting as published.
7. On motion by Councilman Bishop, seconded by Councilman Dorn and passed, it was resolved to accept the financial report as read by Finance Manager, Mark Roberts.
8. On motion by Councilman Dorn, seconded by Councilman Bouchie and passed, it was resolved to adopt an ordinance relative to Storm Water Management as required by the Environmental Protection Agency. Roll call was as follows:

Yeas	Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Bouchie, Martin
Nays	None
Abstain	None
9. On motion by Councilwoman Van Mol, seconded by Councilman Bouchie and passed, it was resolved to adopt an ordinance for annexation of property, zoned Commercial-1, located at 3121 Military Highway, belonging to James and Shirley Cooley. Roll call was as follows:

Yeas	Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Bouchie, Martin
Nays	None
Abstain	None

10. On motion by Councilwoman Van Mol, seconded by Councilman Bouchie and passed, it was resolved to adopt an ordinance for annexation of property, zoned Commercial-1, located at 3113 and 3117 Military Highway, belonging to Northside Baptist Church. Roll call was as follows:
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| Yeas | Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Bouchie, Martin |
| Nays | None |
| Abstain | None |
11. On motion by Councilman Bouchie, seconded by Councilwoman Van Mol and passed, it was resolved to table this item relative to annexation of property located at 3129 Military Highway. Roll call was as follows:
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| Yeas | Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Bouchie, Martin |
| Nays | None |
| Abstain | None |
12. On motion by Councilman Martin, seconded by Councilman Bishop and passed, it was resolved to designate December 24th and 31st as holidays for City employees. Roll call was as follows:
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| Yeas | Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Bouchie, Martin |
| Nays | None |
| Abstain | None |
13. On motion by Councilman Dorn, seconded by Councilwoman Van Mol and passed, it was resolved to accept for publication an ordinance amending the code of ordinances relative to occupational license for peddlers and itinerant vendors. Roll call was as follows:
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| Yeas | Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Bouchie, Martin |
| Nays | None |
| Abstain | None |
14. On motion by Councilman Bouchie, seconded by Councilman Martin and passed, it was resolved to accept for publication a petition for annexation of property located at 3131 Military Highway, belonging to Warren and Elouise Steadman. Roll call was as follows:
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| Yeas | Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Bouchie, Martin |
| Nays | None |
| Abstain | None |
15. On motion by Councilman Bouchie, seconded by Councilwoman Van Mol and passed, it was resolved to approve a resolution:
- WHEREAS, the City of Pineville intends to submit a FY 2008/2009 Application for funding under the LCDBG Program for Water System Improvements; and,
- WHEREAS, the LCDBG regulations provide that additional ranking points can be secured if an applicant agrees to pay for all related non-construction fees; including topographical surveys, geotechnical investigations, engineering services, observation of construction, etc; and,
- WHEREAS, because of the competitive nature of the LCDBG Program, it is believed that as a strategy to improve the City's rating for grant funds it is advisable to make the financial commitment to locally provide the funds for these costs and thereby utilizing the LCDBG grant funds, if awarded, only for construction costs; and,
- WHEREAS, it is estimated that the expenses that are non-construction and related to the technical services required for a LCDBG grant would total approximately 15% of the amount of grant funds awarded; excluding grant administration and technical assistance services, which are considered as a separate category in the LCDBG Program.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City hereby obligates and commits, as part of the LCDBG application process, to pay for engineering, observation of construction, topographic survey, geotechnical investigations, and miscellaneous related costs all in an effort to raise the competitiveness of the City's LCDBG application by securing an additional point in the rating process; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Pan American Engineers-Alexandria, Inc. is hereby selected to provide the required engineering services for fees in accordance with LCDBG guidelines; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby directed to include a copy of this resolution in project files related to the LCDBG application to serve as documentation as to the City's commitment to obligate itself to pay for engineering and technical services utilizing local funds, when and if the LCDBG Grant Application is awarded for the infrastructure improvements. Roll call was as follows:

Yeas	Councilpersons Bishop, Dorn, Van Mol, Bouchie, Martin
Nays	None
Abstain	None

There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion to adjourn was offered by Councilman Bouchie and seconded by Councilwoman Van Mol. On vote the motion unanimously carried. Mr. Lawrence Foster closed with the benediction.

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

12/17/2007

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 11th day of December 2007.

/s/ Ellen Melancon
Ellen Melancon, City Clerk