CITY OF PINEVILLE, LOUISIANA PUBLIC HEARING & COUNCIL MEETING

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

October 14, 2025 - 5:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Mayor Joe Bishop and the Council of the City of Pineville, Louisiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, October 14, 2025, beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, 910 Main Street, Pineville, Louisiana

- 1. Mayor Bishop called the meeting to order.
- 2. Councilman Martin gave the invocation.
- 3. Councilman Bouchie led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Roll Call Present: District 1 Councilman Randy O'Neal District 2 Councilman Kevin Dorn

District 2 Councilman Tevin Both
District 3 Councilwoman Christy Frederic
District 4 Councilman Tom Bouchie
District 5 Councilman Nathan Martin

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Absent: None

--Mayor Bishop recognized Rapides Parish District Attorney Phillip Terrell and the Pineville City Judge Gary Hayes for being in attendance.

- 5. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilman O'Neal to accept the minutes of the September 9, 2025, regular meeting as published. There were no comments heard. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
- 6. The September financial report was given by Finance Director, Mr. David Humphries. Mr. Humphries reported the Pooled Cash ending balance for the month is \$738,385. Sales tax was down Parish-wide, and ours by 8.01% year-over-year. Occupational License Collection was up by nearly \$5,000, with new businesses opening. No further comments were heard.
- 7. Mayor Bishop recognized Judge Brian Cespiva on his appointment as District Judge and for his nearly 10-years of dedicated service as Pineville City Prosecutor. Judge Cespiva expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to serve the citizens of Pineville. Mayor Bishop introduced the new City Prosecutor, Ms. Shelby Terrell, to those in attendance.
- 8. ZONING COMMISSION REPORT regarding a petition for annexation of 6.046 acres of property located at 2445 Military Highway, belonging to William Leatherman and Alvin Hernandez, to be zoned as Residential (R-1). City Engineer, Mr. Tom David, reported that it is the Zoning Commission's recommendation to approve this petition for annexation. After a brief discussion about whether this property should be in District 3 or District 4, it was recommended for District 3. No further comments were heard.

A motion was made by Councilman Bouchie and seconded by Councilwoman Frederic to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Commission to annex 2445 Military Highway as Residential (R-1), and to place the property in District 3. There was no Council discussion. On vote, the motion carried unanimously. Roll call was as follows:

Yea: Councilpersons O'Neal, Dorn, Frederic, Bouchie, Martin

Nay: None Abstain: None Absent: None

9. PUBLIC HEARING was held for the adoption of an ordinance to amend and modify the Code of Ordinances, to add Chapter 24, Article IV, Section 24-51, relative to Leasing of Airplane Storage Space at the Pineville Municipal Airport. Mark Vilar, City Attorney, briefly explained the history of why we are considering this ordinance for adoption. He said records reflect as far back as the late 1980s and early 90s from the Baden Administration, in which 10-year leases were done, with the option of renewal for an additional 10-years. Those leases were all renewed and have all expired. Since 2009, rentals have been month-to-month. The monthly rent all this time has been \$25.00. We have to enter into new leases with everyone, since they are all currently month-to-month.

The Administration asked him to look into lease renewals. Louisiana Statutes require leases of public property go out for bid and is backed up by Attorney General Opinions. If the Council decides to no longer lease these spaces, then notices to vacate will have to be given. If the Council decides to continue leasing the spaces, they must go out for bid with a minimum bid. An extensive discussion ensued, which included the following individuals: Mr. Jeremy Cedars, from Fine Legal Services at 4615 Parliament Dr, Ste 202, Alexandria; Mr. David Cohran, 6330 Denny Road, Deville; Mr. Joseph Veillon, 5 Walkers Lane, Alexandria; Mr. Red Reed, 311 Camille Street, Alexandria; and Mr. Marlon Thompson, 309 Riverside Drive, Pineville.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Frederic and seconded by Councilman O'Neal to adopt an ordinance to amend and modify the Code of Ordinances, to add Chapter 24, Article IV, Section 24-51, relative to Leasing of Airplane Storage Space at the Pineville Municipal Airport. Councilman Dorn made a substitute motion to include the following amendments to the proposed ordinance: (1) Minimum bids be reduced from \$150.00 to \$75.00 for hangar space and for tie-down space, minimum bids be reduced from \$75.00 to \$25.00. (2) The Triple Net Lease terms also include utilities to be paid by the lessee. (3) Allow the subleasing of space, but at a rate that is no higher than the lessee's lease. The substitute motion was seconded by Councilman O'Neal and there was no further Council discussion. Roll call vote on the substitute motion was as follows:

Councilpersons O'Neal, Dorn, Frederic, Bouchie, Martin

Nay: None Abstain: None Absent: None

Yea:

10. PUBLIC HEARING was held for the adoption of an ordinance to amend and modify the Code of Ordinances, to add Chapter 24, Article IV, Section 24-52, relative to Fixed Based Operator at the Pineville Municipal Airport. A lengthy discussion ensued with Mr. Lonnie Lucious, current Fixed Based Operator (FBO), in which several questions were answered.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Frederic and seconded by Councilman Bouchie to adopt an ordinance to amend and modify the Code of Ordinances, to add Chapter 24, Article IV, Section 24-52, relative to Fixed Based Operator at the Pineville Municipal Airport. Councilman Martin made a substitute motion to include the following amendments to the proposed ordinance: (1) Allow for a 10-5-5-5 option for contract renewal. (2) Allow negotiations regarding the mowing of grassy spaces enclosed within the fenced area. The substitute motion was seconded by Councilman O'Neal and there was no further Council discussion. Roll call vote on the substitute motion was as follows:

Yea: Councilpersons O'Neal, Dorn, Frederic, Bouchie, Martin

Nay: None Abstain: None Absent: None

11. PUBLIC HEARING was held for the adoption of an ordinance to amend and modify the Code of Ordinances, to add Chapter 38, Article III, Section 38-72, relative to the Prohibition of Parking or Storing Dual Axle Trailers on City Streets. Upon discussion, it was noted by Mayor Bishop that the ordinance should include Dual Axle Trucks as well, so he requested a substitute motion. No further comments were heard.

A motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilman Bouchie to adopt an ordinance to amend and modify the Code of Ordinances, to add Chapter 38, Article III, Section 38-72, relative to the Prohibition of Parking or Storing Dual Axle Trucks and/or Trailers on City Streets. There was no Council discussion. On vote, the motion carried unanimously. Roll call was as follows:

Yea: Councilpersons O'Neal, Dorn, Frederic, Bouchie, Martin

Nay: None Abstain: None Absent: None

12. PUBLIC HEARING was held for the adoption of an ordinance to amend and modify the Code of Ordinances, to add Chapter 38, Article II, Section 38-45.1, relative to Reckless Driving While Under the Influence of Alcohol. No comments were heard.

A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilwoman Frederic to adopt an ordinance to amend and modify the Code of Ordinances, to add Chapter 38, Article II, Section 38-45.1, relative to Reckless Driving While Under the Influence of

Alcohol. There was no Council discussion. On vote, the motion carried unanimously. Roll call was as follows:

Yea:

Councilpersons O'Neal, Dorn, Frederic, Bouchie, Martin

Nay: Abstain: None None

Abstant:

None

- 13. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilman O'Neal to introduce, accept for publication, and refer to zoning a petition for the annexation of 9.675 acres of property located at the intersection of LA Highway 107 and Smith Road, belonging to Mallard Creek Townhomes, LLC, to be zoned as Residential (R-2). No comments were heard. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
- 14. A motion was made by Councilwoman Frederic and seconded by Councilman O'Neal to introduce, accept for publication an ordinance to amend and modify the Code of Ordinances, to amend Chapter 2, Article I, Section 2-1, relative to Regular Meetings of the Mayor City Council; Date; Time; Place. No comments were heard. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
- 15. A motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilman Bouchie to approve a resolution ratifying authorized access and signatory authority for City of Pineville bank accounts held at the Bank of Montgomery. No comments were heard. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
- 16. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilman Martin to approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Keller Partners & Company, LLC, for federal grants and government relations' services. No comments were heard. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
- 17. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilman O'Neal to approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor to negotiate and enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with Pafford Emergency Services, Inc., and/or an alternate Pafford affiliate relating to installation and construction of infrastructure and other items at the Pineville Municipal Airport. No comments were heard. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
- 18. A motion was made by Councilwoman Frederic and seconded by Councilman O'Neal to approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor to negotiate and enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with Hemingway House of Stories and Spirits relating to installation and construction of improvements to a parcel of land immediately adjacent to the Main Street Community Center. No comments were heard. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
- 19. A motion was made by Councilman Bouchie and seconded by Councilman Dorn to approve a resolution authorizing and approving execution of an equipment lease-purchase agreement for a Freightliner M2-106 Street Sweeper with Cadence Equipment Finance, a division of Cadence Bank. No comments were heard. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
- 20. A motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilman O'Neal to approve a resolution declaring the following items in the City of Pineville Marshal's Office as surplus for the purpose of selling, donating, auctioning, or disposing of as necessary.
 - -- 2007 Ford F-150, VIN# 1FTRF12297KC36803

There were no comments heard. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

21. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilman Bouchie to approve a resolution to move the November 11, 2025, Zoning Commission and Regular City Council Meetings to November 10, 2025, at 4:30pm and 5:00pm respectively. Mayor Bishop confirmed this is due to the Veterans Day Holiday. City Attorney, Mr. Mark Vilar, explained in the previous Ordinance recently passed regarding the date, time and place of the Council meetings, we failed to consider a holiday that falls on Tuesday. So the ordinance introduced tonight will address that and allow for the meetings to be

moved via a resolution in the future. No further comments were heard. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

22. A motion was made by Councilwoman Frederic and seconded by Councilman Bouchie to approve a resolution to authorize the Mayor to submit the FY2026-2030 Capital Improvements Program application for the Pineville Municipal Airport.

At this time Mayor Bishop opened the floor for other business and there being none, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilman O'Neal at 6:47 p.m. Councilman Dorn prayed the benediction.

Chris Workman, City Clerk

CERTIFICATE

I, Chris Workman, Clerk for the City of Pineville, Louisiana, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct record of the official action taken at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Pineville, Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, in legal session convened, on the 14th day of October, 2025.

Chris Workman, City Clerk