

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PIEDMONT

MARCH 1, 2011

The City Council of the City of Piedmont met in regular session at the time and on the date above. Present were Mayor Brian Young, Council Members Mary Bramblett, Ed Hanson, Kenny Kelley, Eddie Baldwin, Billy Baker and Brent Morrison.

John Lawrence was absent from the meeting.

Mayor Young declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order.

Following the invocation given by Rev. Roger Keenum and the pledge of allegiance to the flag the minutes were presented for consideration. Billy Baker made the motion that the minutes be approved as presented. Mary Bramblett seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

The bills totaling \$566,046.91 were then presented for consideration for payment. Ed Hanson made the motion that the bills be approved as presented. Eddie Baldwin seconded the motion and the bills were approved for payment with one abstention from Brent Morrison.

The Mayor asked for consideration of Resolution 2011-11 for the Transportation Enhancement Project concerning the Chief Ladiga Trail. Billy Baker made the motion to adopt Resolution 2011-11. Brent Morrison seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The Mayor then re-appointed Terry Kiser to the Piedmont Housing Authority Board for another five year term. Brent Morrison made the motion to accept the Mayor appointment. Ed Hanson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The Mayor called on the Chief Tidwell to give the annual Piedmont Police Department Report. In 2010 officer made a total of 11,411 contacts with the public, 25 arrests were made for DUI, 66 drug crimes, 28 drug labs and an estimated street value of drugs seized totaled \$74,000. In 2010 officers made a total of 499 arrests. The Municipal Court collected a total of 201,233.20 for the year.

In other business Brent Morrison made the motion to except the bid from Lambert Roofing and allow Carl Hinton to negotiate the price of the only bid received for the new roof at the Piedmont Police Department. Billy Baker seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

In council reports Mary Bramblett thanked the electrical department for putting the caution light on Fifth Ave. She also thanked Chief Tidwell for his report and for all that the police department does.

Ed Hanson reminded everyone to be in Birmingham on Wednesday at 4:30 to support the Piedmont Boys Basketball team in the playoffs.

Kenny Kelley had no report.

Eddie Baldwin had no report.

Billy Baker asked everyone to remember Keith Word in their prayers during his sickness. He also commented on how much he enjoyed the Black History Month at the Buthune Center. He asked everyone to go out and support the boy's basketball team.

Brent Morrison had no report.

In the Mayor's comments the Mayor asked for everyone to keep John Lawrence's mother in their thoughts and prayers. He congratulated Clay Dent for winning state championship in wrestling. He also congratulated Borris Powell for winning the design contest with his dress winning and being on the red carpet at the Oscars. He also asked that everyone go to Birmingham to support the boy's basketball team.

With no other business to come before the council Brent Morrison made the motion to adjourn. Ed Hanson seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.