

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PIEDMONT

October 15, 2024

5:37 PM

The City Council of the City of Piedmont met in regular session at the time and on the date above. Present were Mayor Baker, Council Members Richard Williams, Jubal Fezell, Greg South, David Ivey, and Terry Kiser.

Following the invocation by Jubal Fezell and the pledge of allegiance given by Mayor Baker, the minutes were presented for consideration. Terry Kiser made the motion that the minutes be approved as presented. Jubal Fezell seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

The bills totaling \$505,729.54 were then presented for consideration for payment. David Ivey made the motion that the bills be approved as presented. Richard Williams seconded the motion and the bills were approved for payment.

The first step of the employee wage increase was tabled to a later date. Terry Kiser made the motion to table the wage increase. Jubal Fezell seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The 2024-2025 Budget was the next item on the agenda. The Council would like to meet to discuss at a later date.

The Commercial Development Board appointment was next on the agenda. Terry Kiser nominated Lane Weatherbee to be put on the board. Jubal Fezell seconded the motion and the motion carried.

After the Police and Fire Reports, Terry Batey spoke in visitor comments. He gave upcoming dates for future events. There will be a Hip-Hop Halloween on October 26 at Fagan's Park from 2-6 pm. The Christmas Parade will be December 2 at 6 pm. The Annual Squirrel Drop will be on New Year's Eve. Ashley Jones spoke about an upcoming Expo at the Anniston Meeting Center on October 22 from 10 am to 4 pm.

In Council reports, John Lawrence was absent.

Richard Williams had no report.

Jubal Fezell asked about when we would have the budget meetings.

Caleb Pope was absent.

Greg South had no report.

David Ivey had no report.

Terry Kiser told everyone about Downtown Trick or Treat on October 31 from 4-6 pm. He also wanted to let everyone that November 5 was election day and everyone needs to go vote.

Clerk Hinton told the Council that an account had been set up for Gov Deals. Clerk Hinton gave the Council a report for the expenses on the Café at Fagan's Park. He also included the bids for the surplus

property at the Old Head Start property. The high bid went to Kevin Farmer. Greg South made the motion to accept the bid of \$5,620.00 from Kevin Farmer. Jubal Fezell seconded the motion and the motion carried. Greg South made a motion to freeze all Gov Deals money. There was No second.

In the Mayor's comments he asked everyone to remember the families of Jeff Sims, Leon Garrett, and Hank Douthit. There will be a day of celebration for Jeff Sims on November 2 at 10 am at the Twisted Brotherhood. He informed the Council that Respiratory Care Week will be the week of October 20-26, 2024. In closing, he told everyone that the next meeting will be on November 5 at the Civic Center because of Election Day.

With no other business to come before the Council, Terry Kiser made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Greg South seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 6:09 pm.