

COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
CITY OF PIEDMONT, ALABAMA  
NOVEMBER 14, 2005  
7:00PM

The City Council of the City of Piedmont met in regular session at the time and on the date above. Present were Mayor Charles Fagan, Council Members John Lawrence, Mary Bramblett, Ed Hanson, Kevin Farmer, Eddie Baldwin, Bill Baker and Doug Goss.

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

Following the invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag the minutes of the previous meeting were presented for consideration. Bill Baker made the motion that the minutes be approved as presented. Eddie Baldwin seconded the motion and the minutes were approved as presented by majority consent with Doug Goss voting no.

The bills totaling \$253,669.44 were then presented for consideration for payment. Ed Hanson made the motion that the bills be approved for payment as presented. Kevin Farmer seconded the motion and the bills were approved for payment as presented by acclamation.

In Board appointments Doug Goss nominated George Fagan for reappointment to the Parks and Street Trees Committee. Bill Baker made the motion that the nominations be closed. Eddie Baldwin seconded the motion and George Fagan was reappointed to the Parks and Street Trees Committee by acclamation.

Mayor Fagan then presented Ordinance No. 552 for first reading. This ordinance establishes a new cable television franchise with Charter Communications. Kevin Farmer made the motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of Ordinance No. 552. Eddie Baldwin seconded the motion and the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote. Bill Baker then made the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 552. Eddie Baldwin seconded the motion and Ordinance No.552 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Mayor Fagan then presented Ordinance No. 553 for first reading. This ordinance establishes the model business license regulations as recommended by the Alabama League of Municipalities. Bill Baker made the motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of Ordinance No. 553. Doug Goss seconded the motion and the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote. Bill Baker then made the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 553. Eddie Baldwin seconded the motion and Ordinance No. 553 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Mayor Fagan then presented Resolution No. 2005-10 for consideration. This resolution establishes a policy for receiving requests for direct notification of meetings held by entities of the City of Piedmont, Alabama, in compliance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act. John Lawrence made the motion to adopt Resolution No. 2005-10. Bill Baker seconded the motion and Resolution No. 2005-10 was adopted by unanimous consent.

Mayor Fagan then presented the revised Medical Protocol for 2005. This document amends the previous version by updating initial care physician information and rehabilitative care facilities information. Bill Baker made the motion to adopt the 2005 version of the Medical Protocol document. Doug Goss seconded the motion and the 2005 Medical Protocol was adopted by unanimous consent.

Mayor Fagan then presented a proclamation declaring November 18<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> as Farm-City Week in Piedmont, Alabama.

In Council reports Mary Bramblett expressed her appreciation for the good turnout at the reception for Dr's. Rey and Joy Gavino at their new office on Rome Avenue. Mrs. Bramblett also thanked the Clerk and Maintenance Supervisor Dannie Williams for their support and work on the renovation of the medical facility.

Doug Goss advised he had been contacted by members of the Garden Club with a request to either stain or paint the gazebo in the downtown mini-park. Mr. Goss also discussed his proposal to bring a referendum before the public regarding change to an elected school board. Mr. Goss requested the Council's consideration for a vote on the matter at a future Council meeting.

In the Mayor's report Mayor Fagan discussed the upcoming Christmas Parade scheduled for December 8<sup>th</sup> as well as the events scheduled for the evenings of December 4<sup>th</sup> to December 7<sup>th</sup> in the downtown square. The Mayor discussed the proposed parking ordinance and requested any recommendations be filed with the City Clerk prior to the next Council meeting when the ordinance will be presented for consideration. Mayor Fagan advised that due to potential conflicts with the new Open Meetings Act he was suspending all Council Committees effective immediately for an indefinite period while the matter was researched and opinions requested from League and City legal representatives.

There being no visitors comments and no further business to come before the Council at this time Mayor Fagan declared the meeting adjourned sine die at 7:18pm.