

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PIEDMONT
NOVEMBER 7TH, 2017
6:00 PM

The City Council of the City of Piedmont met in regular session at the time and on the date above. Present were Mayor Bill Baker, Council Members Ben Keller, Mary Bramblett, Doug Dickeson, Matt Rogers, Bobby Hardin and Terry Kiser. Greg South was absent from the meeting.

Following the invocation given by Mayor Baker and the pledge of allegiance to the flag the minutes were presented for consideration. Terry Kiser made the motion that the minutes be approved as presented. Matt Rogers seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The bills totaling \$341,540.03 were then presented for consideration for payment. Mary Bramblett made the motion that the bills be approved as presented. Ben Keller seconded the motion and the bills were approved for payment with two "no" votes by Doug Dickeson and Bobby Hardin.

The Mayor asked for consideration of Ordinance 616 which would take Other Business out of the agenda for future meetings. Mary Bramblett made the motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of Ordinance 616. Ben Keller seconded the motion and the Mayor asked the City Clerk for a roll call vote and the vote was as follows:

YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Ben Keller	Bobby Hardin	NONE
Mary Bramblett		
Doug Dickeson		
Matt Rogers		
Terry Kiser		
Mayor Baker		

Following the roll call there was not a unanimous consent therefore, the Ordinance could not be voted on at this time.

The Mayor then asked for consideration of Resolution 2017-22 which is an abatement for 469 Dailey Street. Doug Dickeson made the motion to accept Resolution 2017-22. Matt Rogers seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Next Terry Kiser made a motion to allow Chief Ledbetter to proceed with the purchase of an E-One ladder fire truck. The fire truck is being purchased with a FEMA grant. The total grant is \$675,000.00 and FEMA will pay \$642,858.00 while the city will pay \$32,142.00 from the fire tax account. Mary Bramblett seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously for the purchase of the fire truck.

Next the Mayor called on Mr. Walter Lewis from Piper Jaffray to discuss the refinancing of the city's bonds. The Mayor said that the Council would be making a discussion on which firm to use for the refinance at a future meeting.

Next Ben Singleton asked the Council to extend the fiber network so all city buildings will be on the same network. These include the water filtration plant, aquatic center, well, sports complex, sewage lagoon and senior center. Ben said the total cost would be around \$35,000.00 for the fiber. Terry Kiser made the motion to purchase the fiber. Mary Bramblett seconded the motion and the Mayor asked the City Clerk for a roll call vote and the vote was as follows:

<u>YEAS</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
Ben Keller	Doug Dickeson	NONE
Mary Bramblett	Matt Rogers	
Terry Kiser	Bobby Hardin	
Mayor Baker		

Following the roll call the vote was 4 yeas and 3 nays therefore, the fiber will be placed in the locations.

The Mayor then read a Proclamation for Alabama Farm-City Week which is November 17 through November 23rd, 2017.

Mary Bramblett asked that the Council meet to discuss the 2017-2018 budget on Thursday, November 16th at 6:00 pm.

In Council Reports Ben Keller said he had some abatement issues on McKee Street.

Mary Bramblett had no report.

Doug Dickeson thanked the street department for putting speed limit signs up and also the police department for patrolling more in the area.

Matt Rogers had no report.

Bobby Hardin had no report.

Terry Kiser had no report.

In the Mayor's Comments the Mayor said that the Downtown Trick or Treat was a great success.

With no other business to come before the Council Terry Kiser made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Ben Keller seconded the meeting and the meeting adjourned at 6:39 pm.