

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PIEDMONT
MAY 17TH, 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, Greg South, Bobby Hardin and Terry Kiser.

Following the invocation given by Mayor Baker and the pledge of allegiance to the flag the minutes were presented for consideration. Mary Bramblett made the motion that the minutes be approved as presented. Doug Dickeson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The bills totaling \$410,439.36 were then presented for consideration for payment. Terry Kiser made the motion that the bills be approved as presented. Matt Rogers seconded the motion and the bills were approved for payment unanimously.

Next Dr. Ben Ingram addressed the Council about restarting the fluoride treatment in the Piedmont water system. Dr. Ingram had several professionals and dentists speak to the Council about the need for fluoride in the water.

Next Jon Edwards Chief Operator for the Water Filter Plant gave a rebuttal on why the City did not need to pursue putting the fluoride back into the water system. After some discussion the Mayor asked for a motion to put the fluoride back into the water and with no motion given the water system will remain fluoride free.

The Mayor then asked for consideration of Resolution 2017-04 which pertains to the abatement of 310 1st Ave. Terry Kiser made the motion to adopt Resolution 2017-04. Doug Dickeson seconded the motion and Resolution 2017-04 passed unanimously.

Next the Mayor called on Chief Norton to give the Police Report for the month of April, 2017. Officers had 1737 total contacts with the public. There were 20 felony arrests, 71 misdemeanor arrests, 2 DUI arrests, 22 drug arrests, 10 crimes against persons arrests, 3 theft arrests, and 14 court/warrant arrests. There were 31 citations, 8 accident reports and 41 motorist assists. There were 4 violent crimes reported, 6 burglaries reported, 14 thefts reported, 26 cases investigated and 126 incident reports. The Piedmont Municipal Court Collected \$22,573.00 in fines for the month of April, 2017.

The Mayor then called on Chief Ledbetter to give the Fire Report for the month of April, 2017. There were 4 woods fires, 6 service calls, 4 false alarms, 1 vehicle accident, 5 ambulance assist and 1 landing zone.

In Other Business the Mayor said that Dr. Edwards from Oxford, Al. put in the only bid for the old hospital in the amount of \$5,000.00. The Mayor said that Dr. Edwards would come to a future meeting.

The Council had no reports for this meeting.

In the Mayor's Comments the Mayor thanked all the city employees for the hard work during the recent storm.

With no other business to come before the Council Terry Kiser made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Doug Dickeson seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.