

CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF PIEDMONT  
MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018

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 Doug Dickeson 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. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

The bills totaling \$260,045.32 were then presented for consideration for payment. Ben Keller made the motion that the bills be approved as presented. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the bills were approved for payment unanimously.

Next the Mayor opened the floor for Board of Education nominees. Ben Keller nominated Ms. Keisha Mitchell to be reappointed for another term on the school board. Terry Kiser nominated Mr. Brian Young to serve on the school board. Mary Bramblett made a motion that the nominations be closed. Doug Dickeson seconded the motion. The Mayor then asked the City Clerk for a roll call vote for Ms. Keisha Mitchell and the vote was as follows:

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

Following the roll call the vote was 7 yeas and 1 nay therefore, Ms. Mitchell was reappointed for another term on the Board of Education.

In Council Reports Ben Keller thanked the Park and Recreation for keeping the Bethune Softball Field looking good.

Mary Bramblett said she had some abatement issues. She also said to keep Buster Hollands family in your prayers.

Doug Dickeson thanked Jeff Formby for getting the handicapped swing up at the park.

Matt Rogers said that Ordinance 580 should be changed and the City should not pick up limbs for licensed contractors.

Greg South made a motion that the Commercial Development Board meet once a month and report back to the Council monthly. Doug Dickeson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. He also said that the city awning needed to be replaced and get bids to replace them. He also announced that the Cheaha Challenge and Piedmont Cruise would be May 20<sup>th</sup> and asked for the Council's help on that day.

Bobby Hardin said that the Council needed to keep working on a plan for abatement.

Terry Kiser said that he and Carl Hinton would be making signs and would do the worst ones first.

Michelle Franklin informed the Council that a Planning Commission Board needed to be established for any future zoning or planning needs for the City. She told the Council that it was a nine member board consisting of the Mayor or his designee, an administrative official and one member of the Council chosen by the Council and the six remaining members would be the Mayor's appointments.

Doug Dickeson made a motion to put Bobby Hardin on the board to fill the Council position. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. The Administrative Member will be City Clerk Michelle Franklin, the Mayor, and the six remaining members appointed by the Mayor will be, Floyd Jennings, Peggy Ammons, Jerry Harbour, Jerry Masters, Eddie Blackwelder and Brandon Carter.

Next Doug Dickeson made a motion to allow Street Supervisor Ricky Jackson to replace four new street workers. Matt Rogers seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Doug Dickeson made a motion for Electric Superintendent Casey Ponder to declare a 2016 Chevrolet 2500 four door as surplus. Mary Bramblett seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

In the Mayor's Comments the Mayor announced the AMEA Scholarship recipients. For academics Rachel Lusk and Angelica Luna received \$2,500.00 each. For vocational Braylon Cole and Ashely Stephens received \$2,500.00 each.

The Mayor informed the Council that he had given them Jacksonville and Anniston's abatement policies to look over. He also said that he would like to plan a movie night at the pool this summer.

With no other business to come before the Council Doug Dickeson made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Bobby Hardin seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:19 pm.