

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PIEDMONT
JUNE 18TH, 2019
5:40 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 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 carried unanimously.

The bills totaling \$263,318.35 were then presented for consideration for payment. Ben Keller made the motion that the bills be approved as presented. Doug Dickeson seconded the motion and the bills were approved for payment unanimously.

The next order of business was the Ventilation System for the Fire Department. Chief Mike Ledbetter presented the bids for the system with the low bidder being Safe Air in the amount of \$48,693. Greg South made the motion to accept the low bid. Matt Rogers seconded the motion and the Ventilation System was approved unanimously. The funds used to purchase will come from Fire Tax.

Resolution 2019-07 (Sales Tax Holiday) was next on the agenda. Mary Bramblett made to motion to adopt Resolution 2019-07. Doug Dickeson seconded the motion and the Resolution passed unanimously.

Resolution 2019-08 (Abatement- 304 5th Ave) was the next item on the agenda. Doug Dickeson made the motion to adopt Resolution 2019-08. Bobby Hardin seconded the motion and the Resolution passed unanimously.

Resolution 2019-09 (Abatement- 303 Vanderbilt St) was the final resolution presented. Mary Bramblett made the motion to adopt Resolution 2019-09. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the Resolution passed unanimously.

The next order was business was a petition to bring real property into the corporate limits of Piedmont, Alabama. The petition was delivered by Dan Reeverts, who is representing the Miller-Allen Family LLC. Doug Dickeson made the motion to annex the property into the city limits. Matt Rogers seconded the motion.

Mayor Baker called for a roll call vote:

Ben Keller – Yes
Mary Bramblett – Yes
Doug Dickeson – Yes
Matt Rogers – Yes
Greg South – Yes
Bobby Hardin – Yes
Terry Kiser – Yes
Mayor Baker – Yes

In Visitor comments, Melissa Payne ask for permission from the Council to have a road block to raise money for the girls 8U softball. Harry Nuttall presented city workers with soft drinks for the grass cutting that borders his property by the driving range.

In Council Reports Ben Keller apologized to the City Council and community for sleeping at the last Council Meeting. He said his blood pressure medicine has been changed and he is feeling better. He also mentioned about the possibility of putting children at play signs by Bethune Center.

Mary Bramblett gave praise to Charles McDonald and Molly Traughber for work in her district. She also praised Greg South for how good his new business looked. She also thanked Lane Weatherbee for his hard work and dedication to the City.

Doug Dickeson told about the fireworks show on June 29. He is working with several people to hopefully have an all-day event and car show at Fagan's Park.

Matt Rogers reported that the Piedmont Girls 8U, 10U, and 12U softball will play in state tournament at Lagoon Park in Montgomery. He said the Piedmont 12U girls won the Calhoun County softball tournament. He recently visited Fort Collins, Colorado and said they had 48 miles of bike trail in the city and would like to see Piedmont expand the trail that we have.

Greg South had no report.

Bobby Hardin would like to see the City have one annual event downtown. He also asked how the gas line replacement would be paid. He would also like to see a video made about the City.

Terry Kiser had no report.

In the Mayor's Comments the Mayor informed everyone that 14 & under boys baseball is undefeated. He has been asked to do a City wide yard sale and we are planning the date of July 20 at Fagan's Park. The Mayor asked Council about having a safety meeting on July 5. The employees would have a brief meeting, then eat and the employees could go home after that. Millie Bramblett made the motion, Ben Keller seconded and the motion carried unanimously. The Mayor asked Council about changing the Christmas parade to Monday, December 2. Millie Bramblett made the motion, Terry Kiser seconded and the motion carried unanimously. He wants to plan festivities after the parade. He gave a brief report on Smart read meters, it will be discussed at next meeting and Casey Ponder will be attending.

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