

CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF PIEDMONT  
SEPTEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2018  
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 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. Doug Dickeson seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

The bills totaling \$237,823.25 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 with one abstention by Terry Kiser.

The Mayor asked for a motion to suspend the rules in consideration of Ordinance 621 which would pass a one cent gasoline tax increase for the City of Piedmont. The increase would put the gasoline tax at two cents. Matt Rogers made the motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of Ordinance 621. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the Mayor asked the City Clerk for a roll call and the vote was as follows:

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

Following the roll call the vote was unanimous to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of Ordinance 621.

Doug Dickeson made the motion to adopt Ordinance 621. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the Mayor asked the City Clerk for a roll call and the vote was as follows:

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

Following the roll call the vote was unanimous to pass the one cent gasoline tax.

Next the Mayor asked for a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of Ordinance 622 which would be a new abatement Ordinance for the City of Piedmont. Doug Dickeson made the motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of Ordinance 622. Matt Rogers seconded the motion and the Mayor asked the City Clerk for a roll call and the vote was as follows:

<u>YEAS</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
Ben Keller	None	None
Mary Bramblett		
Doug Dickeson		
Matt Rogers		
Bobby Hardin		

Terry Kiser  
Mayor Baker

Following the roll call the vote was unanimous to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of Ordinance 622.

Matt Rogers then made a motion to adopt Ordinance 622. Doug Dickeson seconded the motion and the Mayor asked the City Clerk for a roll call and the vote was as follows:

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

Following the roll call the vote was unanimous to adopt Ordinance 622.

The Mayor asked for consideration of Resolution 2018-18 which is an agreement between the City of Piedmont and the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) to transfer ownership and maintenance of all rights of way within the right of way limits of SR-21 (Memorial Drive) beginning at approximate MP 278.628 and ending at the west right of way line of SR-9 at approximate MP 279.281 to the City of Piedmont. Matt Rogers made the motion to adopt Resolution 2018-18. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The Mayor asked for consideration of Resolution 2018-19 which is an abatement on 403 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. Mary Bramblett made the motion to accept Resolution 2018-19. Doug Dickeson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The Mayor then asked for consideration of Resolution 2018-20 which is an abatement on 278 Cedartown Highway. Mary Bramblett made the motion to accept Resolution 2018-20. Matt Rogers seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Bobby Hardin made the motion to use the company Joe Jolly to refinance the 2010 Water, Gas and Sewer Bond and to only take the monthly saving and not a one-time cash savings. Matt Rogers seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

In Visitor's Comments a couple asked the Council for permission to place a modular home on Gnatville Road in the City limits of Piedmont. After some discussion Doug Dickeson made the motion to allow the modular home in the City limits. Ben Keller seconded the motion and the motion carried with one "no" vote by Bobby Hardin.

In Council Reports Ben Keller asked if the Bethune Center would still be available for rental after the Head Start takes over the building. The Mayor said yes.

Mary Bramblett had no report.

Doug Dickeson asked if there was an update on the Highland Cemetery with regard to the state right of way. The Mayor said he would have information at the next meeting.

Matt Rogers had no report.

Bobby Hardin had no report.

Terry Kiser had no report.

In the Mayor's Comments the Mayor asked the Council to approve an electrical 2019 extended cab truck in the amount of \$28,562.00. He explained that the truck would be purchased using AMEA funds. Doug Dickeson made the motion to allow the truck purchase. Matt Rogers seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

With no other business to come before the Council Doug Dickeson made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Ben Keller seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.