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, Doug Dickeson, Matt Rogers, Greg South, Bobby Hardin and Terry Kiser. Mary Bramblett was absent from the meeting.

Following the invocation given by Byrian Watts and the pledge of allegiance to the flag the minutes were presented for consideration. Doug Dickeson made the motion that the minutes be approved as presented. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

The bills for payment totaling $427,569.57 were then presented for consideration for payment. Matt Rogers made the motion that the bills be approved as presented. Doug Dickeson seconded the motion and the bills were approved for payment unanimously.

Chief Ledbetter spoke to the Council about a ventilation system for the fire department bay area. The Council asked the Chief to get bids on this system and bring back in two weeks.

The Mayor asked for consideration of Resolution 2019-05 which would be several items from the street department for surplus. Doug Dickeson made the motion to adopt Resolution 2019-05 with the understanding that the funds collected will go back into the capital improvement account. Matt Rogers seconded the motion and Resolution 2019-05 was adopted unanimously.

Next the Mayor asked for consideration of Resolution 2019-06 which is the annual Municipal Water Pollution Prevention (MWPP) Program. Doug Dickeson made the motion to adopt Resolution 2019-06. Matt Rogers seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Doug Dickeson made the motion to accept the low bid from Tren-Tray in the amount of $436,395.00 for the wastewater system improvements pertaining to the CDBG Grant that was awarded to the city. Matt Rogers seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Next Doug Dickeson made a motion to purchase a Massy Ferguson 577 Global tractor with a 22’ Diamond Boom for $116,220.96 for the street department. $85,000.00 will be taken from the capital investment account and $30,000.00 will be taken from the seven-cent gas tax account. The moneys from the sale of surplus from the street department will be placed back in the capital investment account. Matt Rogers seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Next Doug Dickeson made the motion to award the low bid of $780.00 to Dallas Whorton for the repairs to the Piedmont Police Department roof. Greg South seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

In visitor’s comment Ms. Stillwell expressed some complaints about the Piedmont Public Transportation Bus.

In Council Reports Ben Keller had no report. Doug Dickeson asked about the signs on the highway for the business district and asked if we could contact someone with the state to fix the road going into Alaco Pharmacy. Matt Rogers had no report.

Greg South said that the city needed to do something to attract people when we reschedule the bike race in September. He also asked about planting trees on the four-lane coming into Piedmont. He also asked about what the Ordinance says concerning people using their lots for cutting hay. Bobby Hardin had no report. Terry Kiser had no report.

In the Mayor’s Comments the Mayor recognized the four students who received the AMEA Scholarship awards. The scholarship winners were Tristan Donaldson, Erin McCord, Tyler Farmer and Alexis Jenkins.
The Mayor also thanked Charles McDonald and Bobby Hardin for doing a great job with the storm shelter during the storm.

With no other business to come before the Council Ben Keller made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Doug Dickeson seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.