

CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF PIEDMONT  
10-1-2019  
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 Baker, Council Members Ben Keller, Mary Bramblett, Doug Dickeson, Matt Rogers, Greg South, Bobby Hardin and Terry Kiser.

Following the invocation given by Bill Baker and the pledge of allegiance to the flag the minutes were presented for consideration. Terry Kiser made the motion that the minutes be approved as presented. Ben Keller seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

The bills totaling \$663,859.30 were then presented for consideration for payment. Mary Bramblett made the motion that the bills be approved as presented. Ben Keller seconded the motion and the bills were approved for payment with one abstention by Terry Kiser.

The Mayor asked for consideration of Resolution 2019-11 which would adopt the 2019-2020 budget for the City of Piedmont. Greg South made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-11 for the 2019-2020 budget. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the motion carried with one "no" vote by Matt Rogers.

There were no Visitor's Comments.

In Council Reports Ben Keller asked that the longevity incentives be given back to the city employees. Mary Bramblett said that the Calhoun County Wind Ensemble would perform with the Piedmont Blue Knights at the Piedmont High School on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Doug Dickeson asked for an update on some abatement issues. He also said the ribbon cutting for Stroke Diesel was very good and that there were 3,000 to 5,000 people that came out for the "Burnout".

Matt Rogers announced the Crap Run Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. He also announced another Piedmont Trail Club meeting on October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 pm at the Piedmont Clyde Pike Civic Center. He asked that the hedges be cut back at Hebble Highway on the trail.

Greg South made a motion for the city to hire two Resource Officers for the Piedmont City Schools and the school pay for the training and equipment for the new officers. Mary Bramblett 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>
Mary Bramblett	Ben Keller	None
Doug Dickeson		
Matt Rogers		
Greg South		
Bobby Hardin		
Terry Kiser		
Mayor Baker		

Following the roll call the vote was 7 yeas and 1 nay. Therefore, the motion carried to hire two Resource Officers for the Piedmont City School System.

Bobby Hardin said it looked like Tim Baird was making progress with getting some land for the dog kennel business.

Terry Kiser said that there are numerous water leaks all over town that need to be fixed.

In the Mayor's Comments the Mayor said that the Ribbon Cutting at Stroked Out Diesel went well. He said the Piedmont Trail Club meeting went very well and the next one would be October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 pm. He also announced that a lease had been signed on the 278 old Dari King building for a new restaurant.

The Mayor then read a Proclamation for Fire Prevention Week October 6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>.

With no other business to come before the Council Bobby Hardin made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Greg South seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 6:22 pm.