

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PIEDMONT
MAY 4TH, 2021
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 John Lawrence, Richard Williams, Jubal Feazell, Caleb Pope, Greg South, David Ivey and Terry Kiser.

Following the invocation given by Mayor 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. Caleb Pope seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

The bills totaling \$139,445.86 were then presented for consideration. David Ivey made the motion that the bills be approved as presented. Greg South seconded the motion and the bills were approved for payment unanimously.

The Mayor called on Chief Ledbetter to discuss the LUCAS device which performs uninterrupted chest compressions. The Chief said this device would free up a person to perform another task and greatly reduce fatigue of personnel on scene. He informed the council that the device was \$14,993.00 and would be placed on the fire engine so that it would be available at all times. Greg South made a motion to allow Chief Ledbetter to purchase the LUCAS device from fire tax funds. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Next Chief Ledbetter asked the council's permission to hire two new firemen for the fire department. He explained that volunteers mainly work out of town and are not available to respond to fire calls during the day and that it was hard to find volunteers to work anymore. Greg South made the motion to allow Chief Ledbetter to hire the two new firemen. Jubal Feazell seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Greg South made the motion that the council put the Head Start trailers on surplus to sale. John Lawrence seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

In Visitors Comments Mrs. Barnwell spoke to the council about the infrastructure and all the water standing due to heavy rains. She asked if the city would put up some posts and she would purchase rain gages to check the rain levels.

In Council Reports John Lawrence had no report.

Richard Williams thanked Chief Ledbetter for speaking to the council.

Jubal Feazell recognized the firemen for National Firefighters Day. He also asked about posts for street signs and having someone touch up the mural on the building next to the trail.

Caleb Pope had no report.

Greg South spoke about fireworks for the 4th of July.

David Ivey had no report.

Terry Kiser said he had some abatement issues and that the city might need to look at buying posts for street signs somewhere else.

In the Mayor's Comments the Mayor recognized the firemen for National Firefighter's Day. He also wished a Happy Birthday to Caleb Pope and Michelle Franklin.

With no other business to come before the council Caleb Pope made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. David Ivey seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 6:50.