

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PIEDMONT
SEPTEMBER 21, 2021
6:09 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 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. Jubal Feazell seconded the motion and the minutes carried unanimously.

The bills totaling \$513,417.72 were then presented for consideration for payment. Greg South made the motion that the bills be approved as presented. David Ivey seconded the motion and the bills were approved for payment. Terry Kiser abstained.

The next order of business was Resolution 2021-22 which is a grass abatement at 408 McKee Street. Jubal Feazell made the motion to approve Resolution 2021-22. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The next order of business was Resolution 2021-23 which is a grass abatement at 0 Cedartown Highway. Terry Kiser made the motion to approve Resolution 2021-23. Caleb Pope seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was the Proclamation for the National Assisted Living Week. The Mayor read the proclamation to the Council.

The Mayor then discussed the Redistricting Process for the City and how it can be achieved. East Alabama Regional Planning and Development will assist cities for a maximum cost of \$10,000 to redistrict. The Mayor told the Council to be studying on how they wanted to act on this and said it could be brought up at a later meeting.

The next item was the discussion of purchasing new dumpsters from Wastequip (NJPA). Greg South made the motion to purchase 2 – four yard dumpsters, 6 – six yard dumpsters, and 6 – eight yard dumpsters for \$25,260. Caleb Pope seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. The monies will come out of the Rescue Act balance.

The Mayor then discussed the need for a new John Deere crawler loader at the Piedmont – Jacksonville Landfill. The new piece of equipment cost \$325,759.72. The City of Jacksonville request that we look at possible five year lease to keep the monthly payments down. The current piece of equipment will be

sold with the proceeds going back to Piedmont (40%) and Jacksonville (60%). Greg South made the motion to enter in a lease agreement with the City of Jacksonville for a period of five years with a monthly amount of \$2,327.12. David Ivey seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was a new sewer lift station that will be located behind the Piedmont Plaza. The low bid was \$19,200 from Phillip Bartlett and the cost of the grinder pumps was \$4,125.00 for a total of \$23,325. Jubal Feazell made the motion to accept the quote for the new sewer lift station for \$23,325. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. The monies will come out of the Rescue Act balance.

The final item on the agenda was the purchase of new 800 MHz radios. Jubal Feazell made the motion to purchase 6 radios to be installed in the console, 25 handheld radios (Fire), 9 truck radios (Fire), 20 handheld radios (Police), 13 car radios (Police), and three docking stations (Police) for cars for a total of \$232,078. Caleb Pope seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. The monies will come from the Rescue Act balance.

There were no Visitor comments.

In Council Reports John Lawrence had no report.

Richard Williams said he is glad that we have money to spend to purchase needed items.

Jubal Feazell had no report.

Caleb Pope just wanted to remind everyone to wear mask and wash your hands.

Greg South wanted to appreciate everyone that was at the meeting tonight. He would like guest in the audience who are six feet away from everyone to remove their mask when talking because it is hard to hear what all they are saying.

David Ivey told the Council that he wanted to thank Leanne Pike and Carl Hinton for the getting the information on the new budget.

Terry Kiser had no report.

In the Mayor's Comments the Mayor informed everyone about the Chiari Walk that is being sponsored by April Doss Roberts. It will be at Fagan's Park on Saturday September 25. Registration at 9 am and walk at 11 am. The Mayor wanted to thank everyone tonight for working together for our great City. He informed Council that the new budget will be presented at the next council meeting. He also wanted to congratulate the Piedmont Bulldogs for remaining undefeated in football.

With no other business to come before the Council, Terry Kiser made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. David Ivey seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.