

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PIEDMONT
FEBRUARY 15, 2022
6:07 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 Richard Williams, Jubal Feazell, Caleb Pope, Greg South, David Ivey, and Terry Kiser.

Following the invocation and the pledge of allegiance to the flag given by Mayor Baker, 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 \$404,613.48 were then presented for consideration for payment. Richard Williams made the motion that the bills be approved as presented. Jubal Feazell seconded the motion and the bills were approved for payment.

The next item on the agenda was the Gov App. Greg South made the motion to purchase the Gov App. Caleb Pope seconded the motion and the Mayor asked for a roll call vote.

Richard Williams – No

Jubal Feazell – No

Caleb Pope – Yes

Greg South – Yes

David Ivey – No

Terry Kiser – No

Bill Baker – No

The vote was 2 yes and 5 no. The motion did not carry.

The next order of business was Resolution 2022-02 (Street surplus). David Ivey made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-02 as presented. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item was the Police Report. Chief Johnson discussed the month of January 2022 and year end of 2021 reports for the Police Department. These reports were included in the packet. Chief Johnson wanted to recognize PCO Rachel Looney for her outstanding job as dispatcher. She handled and directed multiple calls for service on February 7.

Jeff Formby presented the Council with a Project List for renovations for the Clyde H. Pike Civic Center. The list ranged from upstairs, downstairs, outside, and gymnasium renovations. Caleb Pope made the motion to get pricing / bids for ALL items on the project list. Jubal Feazell seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. There was also discussion for the roof at Bethune Gym. This roof has been leaking for several years. Jubal Feazell made motion to get a bid for the roof replacement for the gym. Caleb Pope seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Ashlee Jones spoke in visitor comments about the political forum for District 29 that will be held at the Piedmont High School Gym on May 10, 2022.

In Council Reports John Lawrence was absent.

Richard Williams thanked those who helped with the Walkability study. He wanted to thank the dispatcher for her multi-tasking on several calls. He also wanted to thank Jeff Formby for the update on the repairs to the Civic Center. He also thanked Terry and Ashlee from the Arts and Entertainment Committee for their handout of upcoming events.

Jubal Fezell wanted to thank the members that helped in the Walkability Survey. He also wanted a copy of the Comprehensive Plan for the City and he wanted Ben to make sure it was included on the website. He wanted to thank Chief Johnson for the police and dispatchers for their hard work. He asked for update on lighting quantity for the Complex. Jubal Fezell made the motion to bid out 80 LED ball field lights and 10 mounting brackets. Richard Williams seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Caleb Pope wanted to echo what Richard and Jubal said. He also wanted to thank Jalen Hamm and Chris Johns for making it to the State Wrestling Tournament.

Greg South also wanted to echo the prior districts comments. He commented that the City face book page and web site needs to be updated on a regular basis. He said we need to put the news out there.

David Ivey also wanted to thank everyone tonight for the information that was given. He updated the information given on electronic work orders. The estimate to update the program would take 30 -40 hours at \$100 per hour to complete. Ben Singleton is getting with Black Mountain to see if they have a similar form. He also asked for names for the Commercial Development Board.

Terry Kiser wanted to thank Chief Johnson. He also wanted to thank Terry Batey and his committee for the new updated list of events and Jeff Formby for the Civic Center update.

In the Mayor's Comments the Mayor wanted to thank all who participated tonight. He wanted to thank Heather Marshall, Deforest Tuggle, and Rajiv from East Alabama. He wanted to congratulate the Piedmont Bulldogs basketball team for defeating Saks 50-28 to advance to JSU. He also wanted to congratulate Spring Garden Boys and Girls basketball for their success. The Mayor also informed the Council that the new cheerleaders were appointed to the squad.

With no other business to come before the Council, Terry Kiser made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Jubal Fezell seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.