

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PIEDMONT
JANUARY 17, 2023

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 John Lawrence, Richard Williams, Jubal Feazell, Caleb Pope, Greg South, David Ivey, and Terry Kiser.

Following the invocation by David Ivey and the pledge of allegiance 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 were approved. John Lawrence abstained.

The bills totaling \$468,711.25 were then presented for consideration for payment. David Ivey made the motion that the bills be approved as presented. Richard Williams seconded the motion and the bills were approved for payment.

The Short Term Rental Discussion was next on the agenda. The Council voted to send Ordinance 636 to Ron Allen for review with two changes. Caleb Pope made the motion. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and motion carried. Greg South voted NO.

Ordinance 637 which was the Vigo Road Speed Limit was the next item. Greg South made the motion to approve Ordinance 637. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The purchase of residential trash cans was the next item discussed. David Ivey made the motion to spend up to \$15,000 on the purchase. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The Interim Fire Chief was next on the agenda. Richard Williams made the motion to appoint Assistant Chiefs Cale Donaldson and Butch Tolbert as replacements. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the motion carried.

After the Police and Fire reports Rajesh Rathod spoke in visitor comments. He asked the council about purchasing the old Bethune gym. The Council will discuss this at the next meeting. Jeff Formby was the next one to speak. He told the Council that the sponsor of the Crit race was requesting more money this year. She was requesting \$20 - \$25 thousand dollars this year. Terry Kiser made the motion NOT to renew the Crit race this year. David Ivey seconded the motion and the motion carried.

In Council Reports, John Lawrence wanted to thank Chief Ledbetter for all his hard work and dedication. He wished him the best on his retirement.

Richard Williams wanted to thank Chief Ledbetter for all his work for the City.

Jubal Feazell had NO report. Wanted to thank Chief Ledbetter. He told a story of how Chief Ledbetter drove him to the hospital when he was a boy. He would like to see the leaf truck out picking up leaves.

Caleb Pope thanked the Fire Chief.

Greg South thanked Mike and wished him well in retirement.

David Ivey wanted to thank the Chief Ledbetter for all he has done for the City. He also wanted to mention the passing of Gerald Whitten and all his accomplishments.

Terry Kiser wanted to echo what all said tonight.

Clerk Hinton gave a report on the new Complex lights. He also wished Chief Ledbetter the best of luck in retirement.

In the Mayor's Comments he wanted to thank Chief Ledbetter for all his hard work and dedication to the City. He wished him a very happy retirement. He would also like to thank Chief Johnson and his officers for the work that they do. They have helped him on several occasions and he is very thankful.

With no other business to come before the Council, Caleb Pope made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm.