CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF PIEDMONT

OCTOBER 17, 2023

5:41 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 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. Caleb Pope seconded the motion and the minutes were approved. John Lawrence abstained.

The bills totaling \$430,477.97 were then presented for consideration for payment. Jubal Feazell made the motion that the bills be approved as presented. David Ivey seconded the motion and the bills were approved for payment.

The next item on the agenda was the Rec Desk Program for PARD. Caleb Pope made the motion to approve the purchase of the program. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The increase for registration fees was next on the agenda. Caleb Pope made the motion to accept the new fee structure with the exception of the family pass for the Aquatic Center. Terry Kiser seconded the motion carried.

The next item on the agenda was Financial Discussion. Caleb Pope made the motion to approve Resolution 2023-26 with the exception of the \$500,000 balance and make it \$400,000. Greg South seconded the motion and the motion carried.

In visitor's comments, Doyce and Mischa White talked about abatement, property next to VFW, and downtown businesses. Mischa would like to start a program that would allow citizens to adopt a store front to make the downtown look better.

In Council reports, John Lawrence had no report.

Richard Williams asked if the leaf machine was in operation.

Jubal Feazell had no report.

Caleb Pope asked if the new dumpsters were ready for rent. He wanted to thank all departments that helped with the Chief Ladiga Band competition.

Greg South said that he was not in favor of a 30 percent increase of utilities. He made a motion to park all city vehicles except police cars. No second was given. He also made motion to cut 10% off budget. No second was given.

David Ivey asked if we have had any employees wanting to get their CDL's.

Terry Kiser told about a cost saving measure that could save the City money. He asked if the packets and reports could be emailed instead of printed.

Clerk Hinton told the Council that we were awarded the RTP grant for \$350,000 that will be used to repave the trail. He also asked council if he could get a few quotes to put vinyl siding on the scout house.

In the Mayor's comments he wanted to let everyone know that the next meeting will be November 7. He informed the Council that the Peppertown Reunion was a great success. The band competition had a great turnout which included 13 bands. He mentioned that October 27 football game the school would recognize city employees. In closing, he wanted to thank Tessa, Donna, and Brenda for all the hard work they do at the library.

With no other business to come before the Council, Terry Kiser made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Caleb Pope seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.