CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF PIEDMONT

APRIL 15, 2025

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, David Ivey, Greg South, and Terry Kiser.

Following the invocation given 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. Richard Williams seconded the motion and the minutes were approved. Greg South abstained.

The bills totaling $1,226,156.39 were then presented for consideration for payment. Richard Williams made the motion that the bills be approved as presented. John Lawrence seconded the motion and the bills were approved to be paid as presented.

The Tree City proclamation was the next item on the agenda. The Mayor read the proclamation to the Council and audience.

The ABC application for JB's Wings N Things was next. Police Chief Johnson gave the background report for the applicant. He told the Council that everything was good on the background check. Greg South made the motion to approve the ABC application for JB's Wings N Things. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Ordinance Number 639 was the next item on the agenda. The Mayor asked for a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of Ordinance 639. Terry Kiser made the motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration for Ordinance 639. Jubal Feazell seconded the motion and the motion carried. Jubal Feazell made the motion to approve Ordinance Number 639. Richard Williams seconded the motion and a roll call vote was requested. John Lawrence – Yes, Richard Williams – Yes, Jubal Feazell – Yes, Greg South – Yes, David Ivey – Yes, Terry Kiser – Yes, and Mayor Baker –Yes. 7-0 yes.

Ordinance Number 640 was the next item on the agenda. The Mayor asked for a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of Ordinance 640. Jubal Feazell made the motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration for Ordinance 640. John Lawrence seconded the motion and the motion carried. Richard Williams made the motion to approve Ordinance Number 640. David Ivey seconded the motion and a roll call vote was requested. John Lawrence – Yes, Richard Williams – Yes, Jubal Feazell – Yes, Greg South – Yes, David Ivey – Yes, Terry Kiser – Yes, and Mayor Baker –Yes. 7-0 yes.

Tim Frost asked the Council to purchase a John Deere bush hog for $10,079.75 and a Tiger flail mower head attachment for $19,066.00 using his Gov Deal money. Jubal Feazell made the motion to allow Tim Frost to purchase the two pieces of equipment with Gov Deal money. Richard Williams seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Board appointments were the next item on the agenda. Lane Weatherbee of the Commercial Development Board asked the current members be reappointed for another term. These members

include Lane Weatherbee, Millie Bramblett, Diane Pace, Jeff Ford, and Brea Ingram. Jubal Feazell made the motion to reappoint the five members of the Commercial Development Board. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the motion carried. The Planning Commission was the next board that needed members reappointed. The members are Floyd Jennings, Bobby Hardin, Jerry Harbour, Adam Holcomb, and Ricky Freeman. Dr. Blackwelder will need to be replaced. Greg South made the motion to reappoint the listed members of the Planning Commission. David Ivey seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The vent hood installation and certification for NK's Café was the next item on the agenda. The cost of this is $20,184.12 from Fire Guard Fire Equipment. Fire Guard will offer a 10% discount if the City agrees to let Fire Guard service their fire extinguishers. David Ivey made the motion to approve the quote from Fire Guard. Richard Williams seconded the motion and the motion carried.

After the police and fire reports were given, there were no visitor comments.

In Council reports, John Lawrence had no report.

Richard Williams had no report. He asked about the pickle ball court update.

Jubal Feazell wanted to thank Dr. Clemmons and the Piedmont High School seniors for the Seniors helping Seniors Program. They had a great turnout and helped out a lot of elderly people that needed work around their yard. He announced that the City would be closed Friday for the observance of Good Friday.

Caleb Pope was absent.

Greg South had no report.

David Ivey had no report.

Terry Kiser had no report.

Clerk Hinton asked the Council which account the money would come out of to pay the initial ADECA grant amount of $350,000.00. The City will be reimbursed the $350,000.00 from ADECA. Richard Williams made the motion to take the money from the savings account and deposit the money back in once it is received from ADECA. John Lawrence seconded the motion and the motion carried. Clerk Hinton was given an emergency order by Corey Horton for materials for the old Cotton Plaza building for electrical upgrades in the amount of $10,808.00. Richard Williams made the motion to approve the $10,808.00 for electrical upgrades for the old Cotton Plaza. Greg South seconded the motion and the motion carried. Clerk Hinton told the Council that the pickle ball netting system had been delivered to the Admin office. City crews are cutting and trimming trees at Fagan's Park.

In the Mayor's comments he wanted thank everyone for coming out tonight. He told everyone that the City would be closed on Friday for Good Friday. He announced the Easter egg flash light hunt will be at the Sports Complex on Saturday night at 7:00 pm. They will have four thousand eggs to hunt on four fields at the Sports Complex. The next meeting will be May 6, 2025.

With no other business to come before the Council, Greg South made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Terry Kiser seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm.