

Regular Council Meeting  
December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
5:00 PM

- The Piedmont City Council met in regular session on December 13, 2022 at Piedmont City Hall. Those in attendance were as follows: Aldermen Kyle Allen, Alderwoman Linda Palmer, Alderwoman Karin Townsend, City Attorney Bob Ramshur, City Treasurer Dennis Ross, and City Clerk Tammy Thurman. Mayor Kirkpatrick presided over the meeting.

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- Mayor Kirkpatrick listed the following items for consideration:
  1. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME GUEST
  2. DISCUSS AND ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF ANTHONY SCOT TUCKER AS ALDERMAN WARD II
  3. DISCUSS AND APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF ROGER BISHOP TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF ALDERMAN WARD II
  4. SWEAR IN NEWLY APPOINTED ALDERMAN FOR WARD II
  5. APPOINT AND APPROVE NEW MAYOR PRO TEM
  6. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
  7. AMEND THE BUDGET IF NECESSARY
  8. APPROVE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR DECEMBER 2022
  9. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 AUDIT
  10. DISCUSS AND APPROVE AMENDMENT #2 AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROJECT # 20-070A-1 INCREASING THE GRANT AWARD \$98,309 FOR RECONSTRUCTING THE ENTRANCE ROAD AND BRIDGE WITH THE SPONSOR PROVIDING MATCHING FUNDS OF NOT LESS THAN \$10,924 TOWARD THE PROJECT
  11. DISCUSS AND APPROVE RESOLUTION 2022-06 FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PIEDMONT TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS FOR PURPOSES OF THE PIEDMONT MUNICIPAL AIRPORT STATE BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM PROJECT NO: 20-070A-1 AMENDMENT #2
  12. MISCELLANEOUS
  13. RETIRE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

14. ADJOURN BOTH MEETINGS

1. Mayor Kirkpatrick called the meeting to order and welcomed the following guests: Chief of Police Richard Sanders, Roger Bishop, Supervisor Darin Percy, City Receptionist Vera Bishop, Vicki Eaton, Fire Chief Andrew Dickerson, and Patrick Kintner, CPA, with Stanley, Dirnberger, Hopper and Associates, LLC.

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2. Mayor Kirkpatrick requested that a motion be made to amend the agenda by moving Item #6, (The Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meetings), to Item #2.

Alderman Townsend made the motion, seconded by Alderman Allen to amend the agenda and to move Item #6 to Item #2. The motion carried.

Alderman Palmer	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
Alderman Townsend	Aye		

Mayor Kirkpatrick called for a motion to approve the minutes of the November council meeting.

Alderman Allen made the motion to approve the November 7th, 2022 Regular and Executive Session Council Meetings. Alderman Townsend seconded the motion and it carried.

Alderman Palmer	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
Alderman Townsend	Aye		

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3. Mayor Kirkpatrick presented the following letter for consideration:

December 5, 2022

Piedmont Mayor and Alderpersons:

I, Anthony (Scot) Tucker, do hereby resign my position as Alderman Ward II effective immediately for personal reasons beyond my control. I thank you all for your support for my past tenure, and it has been my honor and privilege to serve on the City Council for the past 18 years.

Sincerely,

*Anthony Scot Tucker*

After reading the letter aloud, Mayor Kirkpatrick stated his gratitude toward former Alderman of Ward II, Scot Tucker, thanking him for all he has done for the City of Piedmont.

Alderman Allen made the motion, seconded by Alderwoman Palmer to accept the resignation of Anthony Scot Tucker as Alderman of Ward II. The motion carried.

Alderwoman Palmer	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
Alderwoman Townsend	Aye		

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4. Mayor Kirkpatrick called for a motion to approve his appointment of Roger Bishop to fill the unexpired term of former Alderman Scot Tucker of Ward II.

Alderman Allen made the motion to accept the recommendation of Mayor Kirkpatrick to appoint Roger Bishop to fill the unexpired term for Alderman of Ward II. Alderwoman Townsend seconded the motion and it carried.

Alderwoman Palmer	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
Alderwoman Townsend	Aye		

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5. Mayor Kirkpatrick administered the Oath of Office to the newly appointed Ward II Alderman, Roger Bishop.

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6. Mayor Kirkpatrick stated that the position of Mayor Pro Tem needed to be filled upon the acceptance of the resignation of former Alderman Tucker. Mayor Kirkpatrick requested that the council consider appointing the most senior Alderperson, Karin Townsend who has served in her position since being elected for the first time in 2011.

A motion was made by Alderman Allen to elect Alderwoman Townsend to fill the Mayor Pro tem position. Alderwoman Palmer seconded the motion and it carried.

Alderwoman Palmer	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
Alderwoman Townsend	Abstained	Alderman Bishop	Aye

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7. City Treasurer, Dennis Ross, stated that there was no need to amend the budget at this time. No motions or votes were made on this issue.

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8. Mayor Kirkpatrick called for a motion to approve the accounts payable for December 2022.

Alderwoman Townsend made the motion, seconded by Alderman Allen to pay accounts payable for December 2022 posting sessions 4486 - 4495 in the amount of \$62,876.69. The motion carried.

Alderwoman Palmer	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
Alderwoman Townsend	Aye	Alderman Bishop	Aye

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9. Mayor Kirkpatrick recognized Auditor Patrick Kintner with Stanley, Dirnberger, Hopper and Associates. Mr. Kintner presented Fiscal Year 2022 Audit Report year ending June 30, 2022 for approval.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

1. The City's assets and deferred outflows exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows by \$8,416,033 which is a increase of \$876,547 from the prior year net position of \$7,539,486 (compared with a prior year decrease in net position of \$42,644). The total net position consists of net investments in capital assets of \$6,472,599, restricted balances of \$264,659 and an unrestricted balance of \$1,678,775. The increase in the change in net position compared to the prior year was largely the result of the City in the current year adding significant gross capital assets which were Federally funded. The City also received Federal funding under the American Recovery Plan Act to which \$98,923 was applied to operational deficits from various City provided public services.
2. The City's most significant general revenue is from sales and use tax which totaled \$1,161,848 for the year ended June 30, 2022 as compared to \$1,108,970 in the prior year. Also included in general revenues were \$173,431 in franchise taxes (\$176,428 in the prior year), \$80,265 in property taxes (\$79,728 in the prior year) and \$86,902 in gas and motor vehicles taxes (\$84,025 in prior year).
3. Business type activities (water and sewer) revenues from fees increased from \$608,573 in the prior year to \$742,017 in the current year. The City did receive \$102,901 in Federal Funds to support necessary maintenance and improvements to water system and for increased salary costs caused by the pandemic.
4. Governmental activity expenses were \$1,593,131 for the year ended June 30, 2022 as compared to \$1,467,648 for the prior year. Business type activities (water and sewer) expenses were \$797,244 as compared to \$767,384 for the prior year. Interest and fees of the sewer revenue bonds were \$53,847 as compared to \$294,855 in the prior year.

With no further questions directed to Mayor Kirkpatrick, nor the City Auditor, Patrick Kintner, Alderman Allen made the motion to accept the FY 2022 audit as presented. Alderwoman Palmer seconded the motion and it carried.

Alderwoman Townsend	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
Alderman Bishop	Aye	Alderwoman Palmer	Aye
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10. Alderman Allen made the motion, Seconded by Alderwoman Townsend to approve Amendment #2 Project 20-070A-1 for the Airport Improvements increasing the

grant award for an additional amount of \$98,309 for the reconstruction of the entrance road and bridge with a local match of \$10,924. The motion carried.

Alderman Bishop	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
Alderman Townsend	Aye	Alderman Palmer	Aye

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11. Mayor Kirkpatrick represented the following bill for Consideration:

Bill No. 06-2022

Ordinance 2022-06

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING  
THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PIEDMONT TO EXECUTE  
ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS FOR PURPOSES  
OF THE PIEDMONT MUNICIPAL AIRPORT  
STATE BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM  
PROJECT NO.: 20-070A-1  
Amendment #2

**WHEREAS**, the City of Piedmont is planning improvements to the Piedmont Municipal Airport, for reconstructing the entrance road and bridge; and

**WHEREAS**, the parties entered into an Agreement executed by the Sponsor on September 14th, 2020, and executed by the Commission on September 25, 2020, under which the Commission granted the sum not to exceed One Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-two Dollars (\$142,952) to assist with Reconstruct Entrance Road and Bridge; and to execute any and all documents

**WHEREAS**, the parties entered into an Amendment #1 to the Original Agreement executed by the Sponsor on December 22, 2021, and executed by the Commission on January 27, 2022 under which the Commission granted the sum not to Five Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars (\$533,182) to the Sponsor to assist with Reconstruct Entrance Road and Bridge; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission previously approved funds for Reconstruct Entrance Road and Bridge , and whereas the level of funding originally approved is not sufficient to cover the costs associated with said project, the Commission has sufficient funds to increase the grant amount for Project 20-070A-;

**THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PIEDMONT, MISSOURI** that the Mayor is authorized regarding Project 20-070A-1 for the Reconstruct Entrance Road and Bridge Project Amendment #2 not to exceed \$98,309 for Reconstruct Entrance Road and Bridge with a local cash match of \$10,924.00.

**READ, ADOPTED AND PASSED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN, CITY OF PIEDMONT, MISSOURI, THIS 13<sup>th</sup>, DAY OF December, 2022.**

William H. "Bill" Kirkpatrick  
Mayor of the City of Piedmont

ATTEST

Tammy Thurman  
City Clerk

After being read three times, Alderman Bishop made the motion, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve Ordinance 2022-06 authorizing the Mayor to execute

any and all documents for purposes of the Piedmont Municipal Airport State Block Grant Program Project No: 20-070A-1 Amendment #2. The motion carried.

Alderman Bishop	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
Alderman Townsend	Aye	Alderman Palmer	Aye

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12. Mayor Kirkpatrick asked if there was any other business before the council? With no response, the Mayor asked for a motion to retire into executive session.

Alderman Allen made the motion to retire into executive session. Alderman Townsend seconded the motion and it carried.

Alderman Bishop	Aye	Alderman Palmer	Aye
Alderman Allen	Aye	Alderman Townsend	Aye

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13. Returning from Executive Session, Mayor Kirkpatrick presented the following bids for garage door replacement at the Maintenance Shed:

Premiere Door:	\$6,720.00
PB Overhead Door:	\$5,253.00

Alderman Allen made the motion to accept the low bidder, Poplar Bluff Overhead Door for \$5,253.00 to replace all doors at the Street Shed. The motion carried.

Alderman Bishop	Aye	Alderman Palmer	Aye
Alderman Allen	Aye	Alderman Townsend	Aye

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14. With no further business before the Council, Alderman Palmer made the motion to adjourn the December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 regular and executive council meetings. Alderman Townsend seconded the motion and it carried.

Alderman Tucker	Aye	Alderman Palmer	Aye
Alderman Allen	Absent	Alderman Townsend	Aye

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William H. Kirkpatrick, Mayor

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Tammy Thurman, City Clerk  
(SEAL)

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