

Rescheduled Regular Council Meeting  
October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
12:00 PM

- The Piedmont City Council met in regular session (rescheduled) on October 12, 2023 at Piedmont City Hall. Those in attendance were as follows: Aldermen Roger Bishop, Alderman Kyle Allen, Alderwoman Karin Townsend, Alderwoman Morgan Robertson, 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. Approve the minutes from the previous meetings:
    - a) September 12, 2023 regular council meeting
    - b) September 12, 2023 executive session
  3. Amend budget if necessary
  4. Approve accounts payable for October 2023
  5. Discuss and approve/disapprove Bill 08-2023 to Ordinance 2023-08 imposing a sales tax at a rate of three percent on all tangible personal property retail sales of adult use marijuana sold within the City of Piedmont, Missouri, pursuant to Article XIV, Section 2.6(5) of the Missouri Constitution subject to the approval by the voters of the city at the General Municipal Election to be held on April 2, 2024, designating the form of ballot; and directing the City Clerk to provide notice of said election
  6. Accept the letter of resignation of Fire Chief Andrew Dickerson
  7. Approve/disapprove Resolution 2023-05 authorizing the filing of an application with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, State Revolving Fund Program for loans under the Missouri Clean Water Law (Chapter 640, RSMo): authorizing applicants to aid in the construction of lead service line inventory, lead service line replacement plan and lead service replacements in the amount of \$300,000
  8. Cassandra Stanley of Wayne County to discuss Handy Park becoming an all-inclusive park
  9. Miscellaneous
  10. Retire into executive session
  11. Adjourn both meetings

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1. Mayor Kirkpatrick called the meeting to order and welcomed the following guests: City Street Supervisor Darin Percy, Vicki Eaton, Cassandra Stanley, Fire Chief Andrew Dickerson, Frank Tiefenbruch, Lydia Johnson, Rebecca Crites, and Chief of Police Richard Sanders.

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2. Mayor Kirkpatrick called for a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meetings:
  - a) September 12, 2023 regular council meeting
  - b) September 12, 2023 executive meeting

Alderman Robinson made the motion to approve the September 12<sup>th</sup> 2023 regular and executive meetings as presented. Alderman Townsend seconded the motion and it carried.

Alderman Robinson	Aye	Alderman Bishop	Aye
Alderman Townsend	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
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3. City Treasurer, Dennis Ross, stated that there was no need to amend the budget at this time.

4. Alderman Allen made the motion seconded by Alderman Townsend to pay accounts payable for October 2023, posting journals 4898-4905 in the amount of \$34,190.85. The motion carried.

Alderman Robinson	Aye	Alderman Bishop	Aye
Alderman Townsend	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
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5. Mayor Kirkpatrick presented Bill 08-2023 for consideration:

**Bill No. 08-2023**

**Ordinance #2023-08**

**AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A SALES TAX AT A RATE OF THREE PERCENT ON ALL TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY RETAIL SALES OF ADULT USE MARIJUANA SOLD WITHIN THE CITY OF PIEDMONT, MISSOURI, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE XIV, SECTION 2.6(5) OF THE MISSOURI CONSTITUTION SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL BY THE VOTERS OF THE CITY AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON APRIL 2, 2024; DESIGNATING THE FORM OF BALLOT; AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF SAID ELECTION.**

**WHEREAS**, ON November 8, 2022, the electors of the State of Missouri approved Amendment 3 to the Missouri Constitution enacting Section 2 of Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution effective December 8, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the newly enacted Article XIV, section 2.6(5) of the Missouri Constitution authorizes the City of Piedmont, Missouri to impose, by ordinance, and additional sales tax in amount not to exceed three percent on all tangible personal property retail sales of adult use marijuana sold in such political subdivision subject to approval by voters of the City of Piedmont, Missouri; and

**WHEREAS**, the Piedmont City Council finds that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Piedmont, Missouri to impose a sales tax of three percent on all tangible personal property retail sales of adult use marijuana sold in the City of Piedmont, Missouri and to submit the same to the voters of the City for approval by a majority of those voting at the general municipal election to be held April 2, 2024.

**Question 1**

Shall the City of Piedmont Missouri, impose a sales tax of three percent (3%) on all retail sales of adult use marijuana sold in the City of Piedmont, Missouri?

\_\_\_ YES                      \_\_\_ NO

If you are in favor of the question, place and "X" in the box opposite "YES". If you are opposed to the question, place an "X" in the box

opposite "NO".

**SECTION 4 – NOTICE OF ELECTION.** The City Clerk is hereby directed to notify the County Clerk of Wayne County, Missouri, of the enactment of this Ordinance no later than the 5:00 p.m. on January 23, 2024 in accordance with the Comprehensive Election Act, Chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THR CITY OF PIEDMONT, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1 – ADULT USE MARIJUANA SALES TAX.** A sales tax at the rate of three percent on all tangible personal property retail sales of adult marijuana sold in the City of Piedmont, Missouri, as authorized by Article XIV, section 2.6 (5) of the Missouri Constitution, is hereby imposed. The tax imposed hereunder shall be in addition to any and all other sales taxes allowed by law.

**SECTION 2 - EFFECTIVE DATE.** The sales tax imposed by this Ordinance shall not be effective unless approved by a majority of the votes cast by the qualified voters voting thereon at the General Municipal Election to be held on April 2, 2024, at which election a proposal to authorize the Board of Alderman of the City of Piedmont, Missouri, to impose the tax herein provided for shall be submitted to the voters of the City of Piedmont.

**SECTION 3 – FORM OF BALLOT.** The ballot to be used in such election shall contain the following question:

**SECTION 5 – NOTICE OF PUBLICATION.** The City of Piedmont Board of Alderman and Mayor requests the County Clerk, and the County Clerk is authorized and directed to take all actions necessary and appropriate to provide proper notice of election and publication of the notice of election regarding the ballot question described in Section 3, above.

**PASSED** by the Board of Aldermen and **APPROVED** by the Mayor of the City of Piedmont, Missouri this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023

William H. Kirkpatrick, Mayor

(SEAL)  
ATTEST:  
Tammy Thurman, City Clerk

After being read three times a motion was made by Alderwoman Robinson and seconded by Alderman Allen to pass Bill# 08-2023 to Ordinance #2023-08. The motion passed.

Alderwoman Townsend	Aye	Alderwoman Robinson	Aye
Alderman Allen	Aye	Alderman Bishop	Aye
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6. Mayor Kirkpatrick presented the following letter for consideration:

Dear Piedmont City Council:

This letter is to inform you of my resignation as Piedmont City Fire Chief. I have enjoyed my time serving the citizens of Piedmont; however, it is time to shift my focus to other responsibilities. Thank you for this opportunity. I look forward to continuing my service to the community as a Firefighter.

My last day serving as Piedmont City Fire Chief will be December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. I am happy to assist my successor with transitioning to the duties of Fire Chief. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

I hope that Piedmont City Fire Department can continue with the progress that it has seen over the last several years.

Sincerely,  
Andrew Dickerson  
Piedmont Fire Chief

Alderman Allen made the motion, seconded by Alderwoman Townsend to accept the resignation of Piedmont Fire Chief Andrew Dickerson. The motion carried.

Alderwoman Robinson	Aye	Alderman Bishop	Aye
Alderwoman Townsend	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
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Mayor Kirkpatrick stated that he would like for the Council to consider his recommendation of selecting Seth Deck to replace Andrew Dickerson as the Piedmont Fire Chief.

Alderman Allen made the motion to accept Mayor Kirkpatrick's recommendation of replacing the position of Piedmont Fire Chief with Seth Deck. Alderman Bishop seconded the motion and it carried.

Alderwoman Robinson	Aye	Alderman Bishop	Aye
Alderwoman Townsend	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
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7. Alderwoman Townsend made the motion, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve Resolution 2023-05 05 authorizing the filing of an application with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, State Revolving Fund Program for loans under the Missouri Clean Water Law (Chapter 640, RSMo): authorizing applicants to aid in the construction of lead service line inventory, lead service line replacement plan and lead service replacements in the amount of \$300,000. The motion carried.

Alderwoman Robinson	Aye	Alderman Bishop	Aye
Alderwoman Townsend	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
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8. Mayor Kirkpatrick recognized Cassandra Stanley. Ms. Stanley requested that the council consider replacing Handy Park playground equipment with equipment for inclusive play. Ms. Stanley informed the council that not all playgrounds are created equal when it comes to providing play opportunities for children of all physical and mental abilities. Ms. Stanley explained different funding avenues with fund raising and grant opportunities.

After much discussion, Alderwoman Robinson made the motion for Ms. Stanley to proceed with an all-inclusive playground at Rotary Park. Alderman Allen seconded the motion and it carried.

Alderwoman Robinson	Aye	Alderman Bishop	Aye
Alderwoman Townsend	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
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9. Mayor Kirkpatrick asked if there was any other business before the council :

- Clearwater Fire Protection District Chief, Earl Mumpher, Jr., requested that the council consider allowing the district to move a portable building from the Clearwater Dam Fire House to the Firehouse here in town which is shared between the district and the City. Alderwoman Robinson requested that council table this matter until the November 14, 2023 meeting to seek information regarding the city's insurance responsibility. No motions or votes were made on this issue.

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- Police Chief, Richard Sanders, requested that the council approve him applying through Rural Development for vehicle funding through their grant program.

Alderwoman Townsend made the motion, seconded by Alderman Allen to authorize the Piedmont Police Department to apply for grant funding through the USDA Funding program for police vehicles. The motion carried.

Alderwoman Townsend	Aye	Alderman Bishop	Aye
Alderwoman Robinson	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
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- Alderwoman Townsend made the motion, seconded by Alderman Allen to allow Police Department Officer, Shane Babb, to attend narcotic classes in March of 2024. The motion carried.

Alderwoman Townsend	Aye	Alderman Bishop	Aye
Alderwoman Robinson	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
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10. With no other business before the council, Alderman Allen made the motion to retire into executive session. Alderwoman Robinson seconded the motion and it carried.

Alderwoman Robinson	Aye	Alderman Bishop	Aye
Alderwoman Townsend	Aye	Alderman Allen	Aye
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9. After returning from executive session, and with no further business before the Council, Alderman Allen made the motion to adjourn the October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 rescheduled regular and executive meetings. Alderwoman Townsend seconded the motion and it carried.

Regular Meeting  
October 12, 2023  
12:00 PM

Alderwoman Robinson      Aye  
Alderwoman Townsend      Aye

Alderman Bishop      Aye  
Alderman Allen      Aye

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William H. Kirkpatrick, Mayor

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Tammy Thurman, City Clerk  
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