Piedmont Board of Trustees
Piedmont City Hall
102 Walnut St.

March 3, 2026
Unapproved Regular Meeting Minutes

1) Call to Order; Pledge of Allegiance; Roll Call

The Meeting of the Piedmont Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance. In Attendance: Phil Anderson, Mike Johns, Clint Petersen, Jack Parks & Bruce Lutz.

2) Approval of Agenda

Johns made a **Motion** to approve the Agenda as written, **Seconded** by Parks.
Motion carried 5-0.

3) Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting on February 17, 2026: **Motion** to approve Minutes by Johns, **Second** by Petersen. **Motion carried 5-0.**

4) Planning & Zoning:

A) Report: A Mobile Home was moved in without a license and looks like it is going to be a problem in that location.

B) Silver Tree LLC (Whispering Meadows) Aaron & Ashley M. Gatzke:
Requesting rezoning Lot 4 on Sidney Stage Road from Rural Residential to Highway Commercial. Anderson read Ordinance 2026-01 and then held a discussion. A few members of the Public were present and opposed. Petersen made a **Motion, Seconded** by Lutz to deny the re-zoning of the property. Reason is based on the lots sold as residential next to the lot wanting the re-zone. All voted "Aye". **Motion carried 5-0.**

C) Hermanson Egge Contract was discussed. We use them for Building Inspections and like the job they do. Diana compared this contract to the one signed last year and it is the same except for the dates. Johns made a **Motion, Seconded** by Parks to direct Anderson to sign. **Motion carried 5-0.**

5) Library:

A) Report: Celebration had a good turnout.

B) Discussed having a sign in the Park all Summer with the dates for the Farmers Market. The sign Ordinance was looked at, and it would not be allowed per Ordinance. Other options like Sandwich Board signs put out during the Farmers Market, or the vendors themselves having a pamphlets to hand out. We will have attorney look into it and have it on the next Agenda.

6) Park :

A) Report: No Report

7) Street Maintenance

A) Report: Longbranch hasn't gotten back to us and we would like to get the project out to bid. Parks will look into this.

B) State Code allows cities to set limits and weights on our streets. We have a Bus Route already. Our Street Ordinance (Title 15) is light and needs a re-write. We need to reach out to the Road Districts in our area and get comment from them. This will be on the next Agenda.

8) Water System

A) Report: Our Water system is now making money.

9) Finance:

A) Approval to Pay Bills: **Motion** to approve payment of bills by Johns, **Second** by Petersen. **Motion carried 5-0.** Bills paid: Merchant Bank fees: $1.38, $.14. USDA Rural Development-Phase 1 water $2,407.00, A&B Business Solutions-printer copier $599.57, Diana Evans-mileage and supplies $149.07, Double Star Computing-IT $1,495.00, Mastercard $2,009.60, Megan Steitz-mileage $25.20, Menards $19.57, Phil Anderson-mileage $242.50, Richardson, Wyly, Wise Sauck & Heib LLC-attorney $1,230.00, Rushmore Office Supply $216.00. Payroll: Trustees $1,274.43, Office $3,605.34, Library $6,016.02, Maintenance $1,011.01, Water $529.85.

10) Old Business:

A) Discussed Dog Complaint. It is believed that the dogs were with a visitor and have left town.

11) New Business:

A) Issues with County concerning Building Permits: Need to have a meeting

B) Trailer Park Compliance: move to Executive Session

C) DOT Documents were discussed. Will not be signed at this time.

12) Public Comment: There were about 15 Citizens present.

One asked about the plans for the Overpass. We've been told it will start either in May or September. Comprehensive Plan was brought up. That needs to be a big rewrite.

*Jack left the room at 7:33 p.m. and back at 7:36 p.m.

13) Executive Session:

Petersen made **Motion, Seconded** by Johns to go into Executive Session in 5 minutes pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 subsection 3. **Motion carried 5-0.** 7:40 p.m. /Lutz made **Motion, Seconded** by Parks to come out of Executive Session. **Motion carried 5-0.**

14) Adjournment:

Having concluded all business, Lutz made a **Motion** to adjourn the meeting, **Second** by Petersen. **Motion carried 5-0.** 8:34p.m.

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Philip C. Anderson, President
Piedmont Board of Trustees

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