

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL

Minutes from

February 28, 2008

6:30 p.m.

Special Session

Jackson City Council met in special session on Friday, February 28, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at the Jackson City Council chambers. President Ron Speakman called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was given, led by President Speakman. The Prayer was given, led by Mr. Wiggins.

A roll call was taken as follows:

- Mr. Evans – present
- Mr. Adams – present
- Mr. Eric Brown – present
- Mr. Smith – present
- Mr. Cary Brown – present
- Mr. Elliott – present
- Mr. Wiggins – present

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss any and all ordinances pertaining to the permanent budget.

ORDINANCE NO. 28-08

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATIONS FOR JANUARY 1, 2008 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2008, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Second Reading

Mayor Heath stated this was presented on Monday; they gave council the option to pass or take three readings and plan on many additional ordinances. We hope this does not happen in the future, next year we will start in the call, this year we started January 2nd, and it will be fined tuned as we go along. We have discussed concerns with the supervisors, dollars spent means dollars made, our biggest challenge are cuts or more revenue. Mrs. Sexton has worked very hard to address these concerns. Mr. Wiggins stated he would like to compliment the administration and the auditor's office for the effort put into this. Very pleased with the changes, 2008 will not be a good business year for the city. Looked to be more conservative, the max 105 was utilized, 1.62% over last year. There are a couple areas of concern, the law director's salary and expenses were discussed. He would like to see the \$125,000 be lower. Mr. Smith stated the money in the fund is for outside services. Mrs. Sexton stated there is zero in the law director fund and \$150,000 in general government. Mr. Smith stated shouldn't this be in his department, there is an ordinance to vote on outside services. Mayor Heath felt the same, the original proposal was by the previous council, and legal expenses depend on cases. The rent and right of ways should be completed by mid-March and the EPA consent order, and employee suits will effect legal funds. Mr. Smith asked should this be in the legal department. Mrs. Sexton suggests zero general government and place an amount in the law directors. Mayor Heath stated \$70,000 should cover. Mr. Detty was o.k. with \$70,000 and see where it goes. Mr. Evans stated \$24,000 should buy 160 hours. Mr. Smith stated we need to cover the calendar year. Mrs. Sexton stated this includes \$45,000 for attorneys in Columbus and \$24,000 for Mr. Martin. Mr. Eric Brown would like to see more of a cushion. Mayor Heath stated we could adjust as we go along. Mr. Humphreys stated we need to get an ordinance for next month, we will need more. Mr. Smith stated no one objects to the \$125,000. Mr. Eric Brown asked about \$150,000. Mr. Evans stated we are continuing to pay for the Columbus attorneys, the Mayor states this will stop by April 1, 2008. By then we should fire in not completed. There has been a brief filed by one at the Supreme Court in the Newell case, this should go to the next attorney. Mayor Heath stated he had talked with Howarth and Shoemaker about councils wishes. Martin can take over the Newell and Uribe cases. By March 19th the rents and right of ways should be over and also the deadline on EPA/AG. Mr. Smith asked \$125,000 or \$100,000. Mayor Heath suggested \$125,000 and reduce later. Mr. Detty pointed out that Mr. Detty is unavailable, will talk to him when he returns. Mr. Evans stated he will be back Tuesday. Mr. Eric Brown asked about the proposed land purchase, \$50,000 to line item, land and land improvement. Also the committee recommends purchasing a

cruiser. The original plan was to replace two cruisers ever year, they definitely need rotation, then review next year. WE have replaced two transmissions at a cost of \$3500 each. Mr. Speakman agrees. Mr. Wiggins stated he had raised the question, understands the need, we need to consider a plan to replace. Mr. Sheward stated that you just can't buy a cruiser at any time; we need to order by March or wait until next year.

Mr. Eric Brown made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Wiggins. In a roll call vote, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

In a roll call to adopt, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

ORDINANCE NO. 28-08 DULY ADOPTED

ORDINANCE NO. 29-08

AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Second Reading

Mr. Eric Brown made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Adams. In a roll call vote, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

In a roll call to adopt, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

ORDINANCE NO. 29-08 DULY ADOPTED

ORDINANCE NO. 30-08

AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Second Reading

Mr. Eric Brown made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Evans. In a roll call vote, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

In a roll call to adopt, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

ORDINANCE NO. 30-08 DULY ADOPTED

ORDINANCE NO. 31-08

AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Second Reading

Mr. Evans made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Adams. In a roll call vote, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

In a roll call to adopt, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

ORDINANCE NO. 31-08 DULY ADOPTED

ORDINANCE NO. 32-08

AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Second Reading

Mr. Eric Brown made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Adams. In a roll call vote, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

In a roll call to adopt, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

ORDINANCE NO. 32-08 DULY ADOPTED

ORDINANCE NO. 33-08

AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Second Reading

Mr. Eric Brown made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Wiggins. In a roll call vote, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

In a roll call to adopt, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

ORDINANCE NO. 33-08 DULY ADOPTED

ORDINANCE NO. 34-08

AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Second Reading

Mr. Smith asked what we will do with the pool. Mayor Heath stated we will charge for admission, this will be discussed with the recreation director. Would like to charge rates similar to Oakhill and Wellston, \$2.00 range, with a reduced rate for students in the Jackson City Schools. We would like to acknowledge continued support from individuals and business. Mr. Speakman asked if an ordinance would be needed.

Mr. Cary Brown asked about the people who had previously purchased lifetime passes, will there be a problem. Mr. Evans stated only a handful was sold. He would like to discuss this issue, we need to charge

something, but the city residents should receive the lower rate, this has been done with sports programs in the past, something we need to consider. Mr. Speakman stated this is far from the matter of Ordinance 34-08, needs to be discussed later. Mr. Eric Brown stated with the service committee.

Mr. Smith made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Elliott. In a roll call vote, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

In a roll call to adopt, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

ORDINANCE NO. 34-08 DULY ADOPTED

ORDINANCE NO. 36-08

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JACKSON TO BE LEVEL 3 PARTNERS WITH THE JACKSON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

Mr. Eric Brown made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Mr. Evans. In a voice vote, all Council agreed.

Mr. Evans made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Smith. In a roll call vote, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

In a roll call to adopt, Council voted as follows:

Mr. Evans – yes
Mr. Adams – yes
Mr. Eric Brown – yes
Mr. Smith – yes
Mr. Cary Brown – yes
Mr. Elliott – yes
Mr. Wiggins – yes

ORDINANCE NO. 36-08 DULY ADOPTED

ADJOURN

Mr. Smith made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Adams. In a voice vote, all Council agreed. Council adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Tera Brown
Tera Brown
Clerk
Date 3-10-08

Ron Speakman
Ron Speakman
Council President
Date 3/10/08

