

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL  
Regular Session  
July 9, 2012  
7:00 p.m.

Call to Order..... President Speakman  
Pledge of Allegiance..... Mr. Brown  
Opening Prayer..... Mr. Brown

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

June 11, 2012  
June 25, 2012

VISITORS

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Utility - Brown, Elliott and Queen
- Budget & Finance – Kitchen, Smith and Brown
- Police, Fire & Traffic - Smith, Kitchen and Foster
- Service –Elliott, Foster and Jones
- Railroad – Jones, Smith and Elliott
- Building/Recreation – Smith, Foster and Queen
- City Auditor
- Law Director
- Mayor
- Service/Safety Director

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

CORRESPONDENCE

OLD BUSINESS

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ADJOURN

## **JACKSON CITY COUNCIL**

*Minutes from*

June 25, 2012

7:00 p.m.

Regular Session

Jackson City Council met in regular session on Monday, June 25, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Jackson City Council chambers. President Ronald Speakman called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was given, led by Mr. Kitchen. The Prayer was given, led by Mr. Brown.

A roll call was taken as follows:

- Mr. Brown – present
- Mr. Kitchen – present
- Mrs. Jones – present
- Mr. Smith – present
- Mr. Queen – present
- Mr. Elliott - present
- Mr. Foster – present

### **VISITORS**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

UTILITY – No Report

BUDGET & FINANCE – No Report

POLICE, FIRE & TRAFFIC – No Report

SERVICE – No Report

RAILROAD – No Report

BUILDING/RECREATION – No Report

CITY AUDITOR - No Report

### **LAW DIRECTOR**

Mr. Kirby reported on the letters to the editor in the past couple weeks in regards to repealing the sewer ordinance. Issues raised are hard to address, number one, one letter stated we cannot repeal and it is illegal to circumvent of repeal. He was given a copy of a Supreme Court case by Mrs. Colby which clearly states, municipalities may circumvent a referendum. What council did was legal, no other action is needed. By the act of repealing, put the other ordinance back as if never touched. Courts have addressed this, and this is supported by case law. Number two, one subject rule, you only had one subject, you repealed and re-enacted the previous ordinance unchanged. The statue Luke Scott referred to the heading, this information is so council knows what they are voting on, and clearly this was not violated. Council complied with all the laws. Mrs. Colby asked to speak. Mr. Speakman replied no, you are not on the agenda.

### **MAYOR**

Mayor Heath addressed the issue with the chlorine valve at the pool, we had to close and will be open tomorrow, the Health Department has cleared. He thanked the Kiwanis Club for the downtown flowers and for watering them. The 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks will again be sponsored by the Jaycees, to be held on Tuesday, with the parade at 8:00. The 5K run will be held on Wednesday.

Mr. Foster stated economic times are bad, is the administration doing anything to bring industry and jobs to our community. Mayor Heath stated he works with the Economic Development, the state has a system. Those people send information to the Economic Development and companies can contact them. Worked on the OVRDC, Southern Ohio Initiative Committee on redevelopment of the atomic plant. Looking back on the 1950's, sometime down the road, prime energy park available, 4,000 plus jobs, we are keeping an eye on this. SODI has money for projects. The current Governor has the JOBS Ohio program, will have a permanent director for our area on July 1<sup>st</sup>. We are in very slow times, always looking, attend out of town meetings. Almost everything is done on the internet. Do things to sell our community, quality of life, utilities and law enforcement. Mr. Foster asked if he was in Columbus weekly. Mayor Heath stated not that often, any meeting I attend they hear about Jackson, whether through the city or Chamber, SODI, we are here and interested.

Mr. Foster asked who owned Goodyear. Mayor Heath replied the Community Improvement Corporation, the city does not own. Mr. Sheward there is two strong commercial developments may be coming to the city soon, fairly positive with jobs tied to them. Mr. Foster stated we need them, the jobs are going to North Carolina and South Carolina, we have 32/35 and no one looks at this area. Mayor Heath stated we have industrial sites available. The 50 project around Parkersburg will allow a straight shot to Cincinnati. Mr. Kitchen asked about the project by 84 Lumber. Mr. Sheward stated this is metal roofing/siding company from Washington Court House, not a large number of employees, 6-8 jobs; they have made a big investment. Mr. Queen asked about the bridge in the Diamond area and creek cleaning. Mayor Heath stated they have set up a meeting with the county engineer and we are still waiting to hear from ODJFS.

**SAFETY/SERVICE DIRECTOR**

Mr. Sheward stated Ordinance 24-12 is very important it passes, so we do not lose health care coverage on employees. Mr. Brown asked if we were looking for someone to remove the bridge at Manpower. Mayor Heath replied we are looking at and working with the schools. Mr. Brown asked about the creek project at Eddie Jones. Mayor Heath replied, maybe not this year, finalizing the details.

**ORINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

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**ORDINANCE NO. 21-12**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING A BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER LIMITED TO AMOUNTS OF \$2,500.00, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CITY AUDITOR.**

**Second Reading**

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**ORDINANCE NO. 23-12**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, OHIO AWARDING THE CONTRACT FOR VISION INSURANCE, DENTAL INSURANCE AND LIFE INSURANCE COVERAGE TO THE GUARDIAN LIFE INSURANCE CO., THROUGH FREEDOM CHOICE BENEFITS GROUP, LLC, 78 BROADWAY STREET, JACKSON, OHIO AS IT WAS THE LOWEST AND BEST RESPONSIVE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mr. Brown - yes  
Mr. Kitchen - yes  
Mrs. Jones - yes  
Mr. Smith - yes  
Mr. Queen - no  
Mr. Elliott - yes  
Mr. Foster - yes

ORDINANCE NO. 24-12

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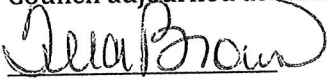
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**ADJOURN**

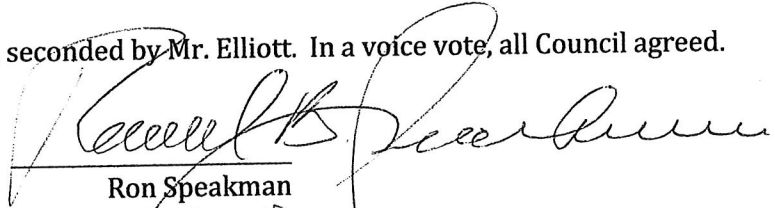
Mr. Brown made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Elliott. In a voice vote, all Council agreed.  
Council adjourned at 7:25 p.m.



Tera Brown

Clerk

Date 7-9-12



Ron Speakman

Council President

Date 7/9/12