

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL

Minutes from
February 24, 2014
7:00 p.m.
Regular Session

Jackson City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 24, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Jackson City Council Chambers. President Ron Speakman called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Queen. The Prayer was given, led by Mr. Hensler.

A roll call was taken as follows:

- Mr. Brown-present
- Mr. Kitchen-present
- Mrs. Jones-present
- Mr. Hensler-present
- Mr. Queen-present
- Mr. Elliott-present
- Mr. Foster-present

Mr. Kitchen made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 10, 2014 meeting, seconded by Mr. Hensler.

VISITORS

No visitors

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UTILITY- Mr. Brown stated the Utility Committee met on February 24, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the issue of customers paying their utility bills with credit or debit cards. He said the committee made a motion for the Law Director to prepare legislation for customers to pay the surcharge associated with debit and credit card payments for utilities.

BUDGET- No report.

POLICE, FIRE, & TRAFFIC – No report.

SERVICE –(STREET & ALLEY, RECREATION, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS) –No report.

CITY AUDITOR – No report.

LAW DIRECTOR –No report.

MAYOR

Mayor Heath thanked everyone in the community for their cooperation during the power outage needed in order for AEP to make repairs on the feeder lines into the city.

Mayor Heath also thanked council for their support in approving legislation brought to the table to make the city stronger and more competitive with surrounding cities. He also especially thanked them for passing the ordinance at the last meeting that protects the city's infrastructure. This will keep the money in the city to improve our city's utility system.

Mayor Heath commended Jackson High School for bringing thousands of people into the city for the basketball tournaments. He congratulated Bob Kight and his staff for their efforts in making this possible.

Mayor Heath announced the signup for girls baseball signups for ages 7-12 next week, March 3rd and March 6th from 6-8 p.m. in the city council chambers. They will be participating in a sanctioned little

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league, so everyone will need birth certificates. Helpers for the summer will be Kaylee Fulks and Doug Hughes.

Mr. Queen said he had been asked about electric budgets for customers. Mr. Sheward said there is a budget plan available for all electric homes.

SERVICE DIRECTOR

Mr. Sheward thanked all of the city employees and fire department for their help in patrolling the city while the electric was out.

Mr. Sheward also said the end result of the weather is the potholes. There isn't anything that will help it right now. He spoke with the Street and Ally Supervisor and said they might want to do a fast track paving in the summer.

Mr. Kitchen asked if some of the money they are saving on the bridge projects can be used for the roads. Mr. Sheward said they had already been looking at that as a possibility.

Mr. Queen said he knew they had purchased a new cruiser and wanted to know if the price included lights and all and Mr. Sheward said yes. Mr. Sheward said it was a state bid. They have tried to get them from local car dealers, but they can't come close to the price the state gives.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE 23-14

AN ORDINANCE DIRECTING PAYMENT TO THE STANTEC ENGINEERING FOR SERVICES IN FURTHERANCE OF THE MICRO MONITORING EFFICIENCY STUDY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

Mr. Brown made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Mr. Elliott. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

Mr. Sheward said this is to expend the money transferred from the general fund from last meeting's legislation. Mr. Sheward said Stantec wanted to start the project sooner than he thought. There will be a \$100,000 grant plus a \$25,000 match. He wrote a purchase order for \$50,000 and this \$75,000 covers the rest.

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

Mr. Brown-yes
Mr. Kitchen-yes
Mrs. Jones-yes
Mr. Hensler-yes
Mr. Queen-yes
Mr. Elliott-yes
Mr. Foster-yes

In a roll call to adopt the ordinance, council voted as follows:

Mr. Brown-yes

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Mr. Kitchen-yes

Mrs. Jones-yes

Mr. Hensler-yes

Mr. Queen-yes

Mr. Elliott-yes

Mr. Foster-yes

ORDINANCE NO. 23-14 DULY ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO. 12-14

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON OR, HIS AGENT, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO FILE AN APPLICATION FOR F.E.M.A. FIRE PREVENTION AND SAFETY GRANT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

Mr. Elliott made a motion to adopt the resolution, seconded by Mrs. Jones. In voice vote, all members agreed.

Mr. Sheward said this is asking for permission to apply for a grant to purchase a "house on wheels" for training for the fire department. The cost is approximately \$85,000 and the grant would pay for all of it except for a 5% local match. This would be used to take to schools and other places for training and education on fires.

Mr. Kitchen made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mrs. Jones. In a roll call vote, council voted as follows:

Mr. Brown-yes

Mr. Kitchen-yes

Mrs. Jones-yes

Mr. Hensler-yes

Mr. Queen-yes

Mr. Elliott-yes

Mr. Foster-yes

In a roll call to adopt the resolution, council voted as follows:

Mr. Brown-yes

Mr. Kitchen-yes

Mrs. Jones-yes

Mr. Hensler-yes

Mr. Queen-yes

Mr. Elliott-yes

Mr. Foster-yes

RESOLUTION NO. 12-14 DULY ADOPTED

Mr. Kitchen wanted to know if there had been any legislation prepared for the water leak insurance. Mayor Heath said they are still working on it. They need to do more research on this before doing anything.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

OLD BUSINESS – None

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NEW BUSINESS – None

Mr. Speakman requested an Executive Session at the end of the meeting to go over a personnel matter. He requested the presence of the City Auditor, Law Director, and Council Clerk.

Mrs. Jones made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter, seconded by Mr. Brown. In a roll call vote, council voted as follows:

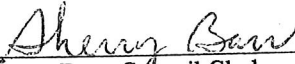
Mr. Brown-yes
Mr. Kitchen-yes
Mrs. Jones-yes
Mr. Hensler-yes
Mr. Queen-yes
Mr. Elliott-yes
Mr. Foster-yes

Council went into Executive Session at 7:21 p.m.

Mr. Brown made a motion to go back into Regular Session at 7:30 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Jones. In a roll call vote, council voted as follows:

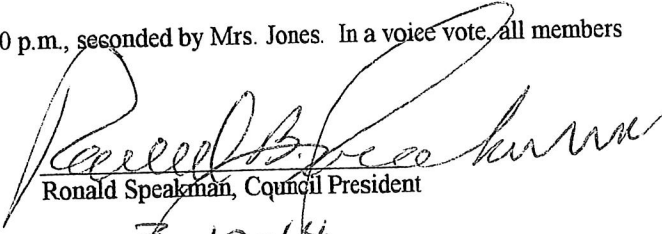
Mr. Brown-yes
Mr. Kitchen-yes
Mrs. Jones-yes
Mr. Hensler-yes
Mr. Queen-yes
Mr. Elliott-yes
Mr. Foster-yes

Mr. Brown made a motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Jones. In a voice vote, all members agreed.



Sherry Barr, Council Clerk

Date 3-10-14



Ronald Speakman, Council President

Date 3-10-14