

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL

Regular Session

February 24, 2014

7:00 p.m.

Call to Order..... President Speakman

Pledge of Allegiance..... Mr. Queen

Opening Prayer..... Mr. Brown

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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VISITORS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Utility – Brown, Elliott, and Foster
- Budget & Finance – Elliott, Hensler, and Brown
- Police, Fire, & Traffic – Kitchen, Queen, and Jones
- Service – (Street & Alley, Recreation, Buildings & Grounds) Foster, Queen, and Hensler
- City Auditor
- Law Director
- Mayor
- Service/Safety Director

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

CORRESPONDENCE

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURN

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Jackson City Council met in regular session on Monday February 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Jackson Council Chambers. President Ron Speakman called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Hensler. 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. Hensler-present
- Mr. Queen-present
- Mr. Elliott-present
- Mr. Foster-present

Mrs. Jones made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 27, 2014 meeting, seconded by Mr. Brown. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

#### **VISITORS**

Mayor Heath introduced the Elks Lodge for a presentation. Dave Channell of the Jackson Fire Department thanked the Elks Lodge for the donation of a stokes basket valued at approximately \$600. This will be very valuable in rescuing people from the woods. This was very much appreciated.

Mayor Heath introduced Danielle Dulaney of the Elks Lodge for another presentation. Danielle spoke about a new project the Elks is doing thanks to a \$10,000 grant they received from the Elks National Foundation. This is called an impact grant. The project is to repurpose used bicycles. The Elks will collect the bicycles and work in collaboration with the auto collision program students at Buckeye Hills and also Daymar College. The bikes will be painted purple to represent the Elks colors. The bike shop will be located at Daymar College. The program is based on want not need. The City of Jackson is also working in collaboration with the Elks to help increase the recycling program. When someone comes to the bike shop and wants a bike, they will be asked to give 2 hours of their time and go door to door to promote the city's recycling program. They can pass out the red recycling bins. There will also be 2 bike clinics held at Daymar College, one in April and one in September.

Mayor Heath thanked the Elks for their presentations.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

UTILITY-Mr. Brown said he had some changes to the wording on Ordinance 02-14 he would discuss later. No other report.

BUDGET & FINANCE-No report.

POLICE, FIRE, & TRAFFIC-No report

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

#### **CITY AUDITOR**

Mr. Reed said they had been approached by another credit card provider to handle credit card payments for utilities. He said it costs the city approximately 3% to process credit card payments. Mr. Reed said they might consider having the customers absorb this cost. He doesn't feel the city should have to pay for this. The Utility Committee will schedule a meeting to discuss these matters.

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**LAW DIRECTOR**-No report.

**MAYOR**

Mayor Heath thanked all of the council members who attended the open house for the Merrilat Transition Center. He thanked Tammy Osborne Smith and Julia Coyan of Job and Family Services, Marty Wallace of Buckeye Hills Career Center, Jennifer Jacobs and Sam Brady of Jackson Economic Development, County Commissioner, Paul Haller, Kathy Farber of Appalachian Partnership of Economic Growth, and Larry Kidd of Statewide Jobs Ohio Board, for attending the event. The Mayor felt it was a very information session. Mr. Brown commented it was a very nice setup to try to educate the people losing their jobs at Merrilat.

Another economic effort happened on January 31<sup>st</sup>, when Ohio South Central Railroad took over. They are still working with the Ohio Rail Commission.

Mayor Heath wanted to stress how important it is for everyone to keep their cars off of the streets downtown when they are trying to plow during snow.

Mr. Queen asked if they had ever looked into trading in the old trucks on new ones. Mr. Sheward said when they buy a new truck, they move the old one to a different area and keep using it until it is worn out and then they sell it at the city auction.

Mr. Queen also wanted to know if they checked into trading in the old garbage trucks and Mr. Sheward said they have, but they won't give them much for them.

Mayor Heath requested to go into Executive Session at the end of the meeting to discuss personnel matters.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR**

Mr. Sheward said the salt supply is still ok. There is 450 tons left. They have started mixing grit with the salt in areas where there are no storm drains. It seems to be working well.

Mr. Sheward said they may need to come to council with additional appropriations for overtime for plowing. He said if the weather continues as it is, they will probably run out of overtime funds in that department.

The name of the new railroad is "OSCR". He said they want to start checking the tracks, but they can't until the weather breaks.

Mr. Queen asked how they determine who drives the salt trucks. Mr. Sheward said they have set drivers. They have 4 trucks they use for plowing. Mr. Queen asked if they use route maps. Mr. Sheward said they have a standard route they use, but Roy is out and if he or anyone else sees another place that needs plowed worse, they let them know.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

ORDINANCE 02-14

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE POLICY CONCERNING THE AVAILABILITY OF UTILITY SERVICES TO ALL CONSUMERS IN THE CITY OF JACKSON AND REQUIRING THAT NEW UTILITY SERVICE CONNECTIONS BE MADE TO THE CITY OF JACKSON UTILITIES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Third Reading

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**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE REFUNDS, CUSTOMER DEPOSITS FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

First Reading

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

Mr. Reed said this is the CHIP program money. The budget was not completed by the time the permanent budget was done. This is money used to rehab houses. It is the CHIP program's operating money.

Mr. Brown 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 vote to adopt the ordinance, 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

ORDINANCE NO. 17-14 DULY ADOPTED

ORDINANCE NO. 18-14

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE MICRO MONITORING EFFICIENCY STUDY FUND AND ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SAID FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

First Reading

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

Mr. Sheward said this is a test session developed by Star-Tech to determine if rain water is leaking into the sewer lines. He said the city received a \$100,000 grant with a \$25,000 match from the city to pay for the testing. The test will be for the whole city. The only cost to the city will be \$25,000 plus the cost of any repairs should any leaks be found. The next 3 ordinances are for this purpose.

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

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Mr. Queen-yes  
Mr. Elliott-yes  
Mr. Foster-yes

In a roll call vote to adopt the ordinance, 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

ORDINANCE NO. 18-14 DULY ADOPTED

ORDINANCE NO. 19-14

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE GENERAL FUND 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. 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 vote to adopt the ordinance, 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

ORDINANCE NO. 19-14 DULY ADOPTED

ORDINANCE 20-14

**AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE  
MICRO MONITORING EFFICIENCY STUDY FUND: TRANSFER IN AND THE MICRO  
MONITORING EFFICIENCY STUDY FUND: ADVANCE IN AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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Mr. Elliott made a motion to suspend the rules, 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

In a roll call vote to adopt the ordinance, 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

ORDINANCE NO. 20-14 DULY ADOPTED

ORDINANCE NO. 21-14

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE GENERAL FUND:  
ADVANCE OUT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

First Reading

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

Mr. Sheward said this is for the flood mitigation for the License Bureau on Huron Street. The city will have to pay for the cost of the demolition first then they will get reimbursed. This is not cost to the city. Mr. Kitchen asked what project entails. Mr. Sheward said it is for the demolition and making it a green space. This is to be done in the next 2 years. He said there could be other things put there, but nothing that could be damaged by floods.

Mr. Hensler asked if it is an emergency since it is 2 years out. Mr. Sheward said there is no reason not to pass it now, because it is just a pass through of money.

Mr. Queen asked if the demolition was bid out and Mr. Sheward said they are not to that stage yet. He also wanted to know if it will be the city's property once it is torn down and the response was yes. The city will have to keep it up as far as mowing.

Mr. Brown 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

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Mr. Hensler-yes  
Mr. Queen-no  
Mr. Elliott-yes  
Mr. Foster-yes

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 21-14 DULY ADOPTED

ORDINANCE NO. 22-14

**AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND: ADVANCE  
OUT TO THE FLOOD MITIGATION FUND: TRANSFER IN AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

First Reading

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

Mr. Elliott made a motion to suspend the rules, 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-no  
Mr. Elliott-yes  
Mr. Foster-yes

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 22-14 DULY ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 09-14

**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 FEDERAL**

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**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE DISASTER RELIEF ACT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

First Reading

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

Mr. Sheward said this resolution is giving permission for him to do whatever he needs to in order to get the mitigation done.

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

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

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14 DULY ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO. 10-14

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ENTER INTO A THREE YEAR AGREEMENT TO RETAIN THE SERVICES OF JULIAN & GRUBE TO CONDUCT THE FY 2013 THROUGH FY 2015 FINANCIAL AUDIT FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

First Reading

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

Mr. Reed said the state requests who they want to do the city's audit for the next three years and Julian & Grube is who they picked.

Mr. Brown 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



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Mr. Elliott-yes  
Mr. Foster-yes

In a roll call vote 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. 10-14 DULY ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO. 11-14

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR PAYMENT TO DAESER COMPRESSORS PURSUANT TO A "THEN AND NOW" CERTIFICATE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5000.71 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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

Mr. Reed said this is for the compressor that went down at the sewer treatment plant at the end of the year. They had to rebuild it and the cost was \$5,000.71.

Mr. Brown 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 vote 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. 11-14 DULY ADOPTED

**OLD BUSINESS**

The Mayor was asked if he had found out anymore about the franchise on the dumpsters. He said not yet, but he will be going to a meeting soon and hopefully he will find out something then.

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**NEW BUSINESS**-None

Mr. Kitchen made a motion to go into Executive session to discuss personnel matters, seconded by Mr. Brown at 7:55 pm. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

Mr. Queen made a motion to go back into Regular session at 8:13 p.m., seconded by Mr. Brown. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

Mr. Brown made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Kitchen. In a voice vote all members agreed.

Council adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Sherry Barr  
Council Clerk  
2/24/14

Ronald B. Speckmann  
Ronald Speckmann,  
President of Council  
2/24/14