

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL

Minutes from
March 10, 2014
7:00 p.m.
Regular Session

Jackson City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 10, 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. Elliott. The Prayer was given, led by Mr. Brown.

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. Hensler made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 24, 2014 meeting, seconded by Mr. Elliott.

VISITORS

Michael Carlisle did not show up for his presentation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UTILITY- No report.

BUDGET- No report.

POLICE, FIRE, & TRAFFIC – No report.

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

CITY AUDITOR – No report.

LAW DIRECTOR – Mr. Kirby commented that Resolution 13-14 would be the legislation to end ties with U S Rail. This will release any claims of both parties, the City of Jackson and U S Rail. There is still about \$9,700 in taxes owed.

MAYOR

Mayor Heath thanked Law Director Kirby for all of his hard work in the U S Rail situation.

Mayor Heath wanted to let citizens know if they do not get a utility bill for some reason, they are still responsible for the payment.

There are still two weeks to sign up for summer recreation baseball. Signups will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Mr. Queen inquired as to the reason behind the only people eligible for the electric budgets are people with all electric homes. Mr. Sheward said it is due to the way the Ordinance was written years ago.

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SERVICE DIRECTOR

Mr. Sheward said they are working on filling in the potholes. There are a lot of problems, but Veterans Drive and McCarty Lane are major problems.

Mr. Sheward said he received good news regarding bridge inspections. It costs the city between \$4,000-\$5,000 annually for the inspections. The State is going to start inspecting all bridges in the future at no cost to the city. They will probably be more thorough inspections.

Mr. Queen asked if there would be any help for people who lost appliances or other things due to the power outage. Mr. Sheward said the insurance company has a claim number set up, so anyone who suffered a loss can turn it in.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 24-14

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING CONVENIENCE FEES TO BE PAID BY CITY UTILITY CUSTOMERS THAT USE CREDIT CARDS AND/OR DEBIT CARDS TO PAY UTILITY BILLS, CAUSING THE CITY TO INCUR TRANSACTIONAL FEES, 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 to give them time to get it in place.

Mr. Brown 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 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. 24-14 DULY ADOPTED

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ORDINANCE NO. 25-14

AN ORDINANCE DIRECTING PAYMENT TO NEW RIVER ELECTRICAL CORPORATION FOR SERVICES IN FURTHERANCE OF THE 13.2 KV CIRCUIT #1 CONVERSION PROJECT 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 ordinance is to finish up the payment for the Circuit #1 project. He said this is a change order.

Mr. Kitchen 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-yes
Mr. Elliott-yes
Mr. Foster-yes

In a roll call 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. 25-14 DULY ADOPTED

ORDINANCE NO. 26-14

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JACKSON TO COOPERATE WITH OHIO DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE HURON STREET BRIDGE AND THE DICKASON STREET BRIDGE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

Mr. Sheward said this is the legislation that is needed in order for the state to pay for the bridge projects.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 26-14 DULY ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO. 13-14

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JACKSON TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT RESOLVING ALL PENDING LITIGATION WITH U S RAIL CORP AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

Mr. Queen asked if the city had received all of their equipment, engines or cars, but Mr. Kirby said all of that was property of U S Rail.

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

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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

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CORRESPONDENCE – None

OLD BUSINESS – Mr. Reed wanted to make sure everyone fills out the forms for the Auditors.

NEW BUSINESS – Mr. Queen asked if they could purchase a new flag for the front of the police station. Mayor Heath said he would check into it.

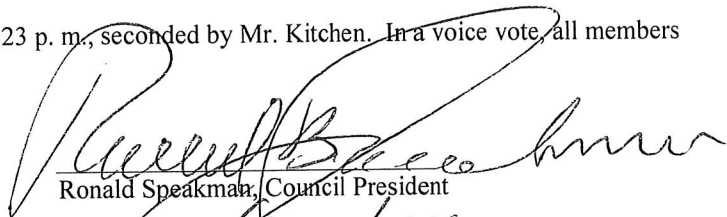
Mr. Sheward said they refused all bids for the electric project and they will be getting new bids. At the next council meeting they will be asking for re-appropriation of the money.

Mr. Brown made a motion to adjourn at 7:23 p. m., seconded by Mr. Kitchen. In a voice vote, all members agreed.



Sherry Barr, Council Clerk

Date 3/24/14



Ronald Speakman, Council President

Date 3/24/14