

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL  
Regular Session  
October 27, 2014  
7:00 p.m.

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

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 22, 2014 Regular Session

VISITORS

Doug Reed – Discuss Fire Chief position

*Peabody*  
Lee ~~Peabody~~ – Discuss dog situation

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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*Amended*

Jackson City Council met in regular session on Monday, September 22, 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. Hensler. The Prayer was given 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. Elliott made a motion to approve the minutes from September 8, 2014, seconded by Mr. Kitchen. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

**VISITORS**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**UTILITY**

No report, but Mr. Brown stated there was information from Donald Cameron on Chillicothe Pike, requesting electric service for a garage built on his property. If it is outside the city limits, it has to come before council. Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Mr. Elliott. In a voice vote, all members agreed. Request was approved.

**BUDGET & FINANCE**- No report.

**POLICE, FIRE, & TRAFFIC** – No report.

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

**CITY AUDITOR** - Absent

**LAW DIRECTOR**

Mr. Kirby said he wanted to give an update on the Jayjohn property. He said the county has filed to re-open the tax foreclosure on September 14, 2014. He said it looks like it will proceed to open sale.

Mr. Kitchen said in view of the minutes that came out of the zoning meeting, should they look at changing the ordinance, because if you had a business and had to shut it down, it would be hard to sell it in a year and get it back in operation. Mr. Kirby said the ordinance was written to zone businesses in certain areas and residential separate. There are conditional uses in residential areas. This may not apply to beauty shops. Some residential businesses may also fall under this depending on the zone they are in. He said it would need to be looked at as a whole and Mr. Speakman stated this is a very lengthy process.

Mr. Brown stated someone might have a home based business and <sup>when</sup> ~~one~~ it sells, it doesn't remain a commercial piece of property.

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## **MAYOR**

Mayor Heath said this year's Apple Festival was one of the most successful year's ever. It made our city look very impressive to people who came from out of town. Although there is a sponsoring organization, Jackson Area Festival & Events Association deserves much credit. It is really a community effort with everyone working together to make it <sup>one</sup> of the most successful festivals in Ohio. The civic organizations had one of the most successful years ever. It was also one of the largest crowds they have had.

Last Wednesday ground was broken for the new airport terminal. This will be a welcoming site for prospective industries that fly in.

Ohio Rail Development Commission approved a loan to the Ohio South Central Railroad. This will help with the construction of the transload station. This will be critical for people who do not have direct rail access.

Mayor Heath stated he attended a seminar regarding industrial site selection in a four county region. A speaker informed them of important qualities needed to attract new business.

OVRDC held their 11 county Fall meeting in honor of the Apple Festival.

Mayor Heath stated news had been received of the death of Wellston native Stephen Byus, who was killed in Afghanistan. The visitation and funeral services will be held in Wellston and burial will be in Jackson in Fairmount Cemetery. Some of the streets may be closed for a few hours so the funeral procession is not interrupted. They are working with officials to make sure he gets the honor he deserves.

Mr. Kitchen asked the Mayor if he had found out anything regarding the green space that had been discussed. Mayor Heath said they cannot do any tree harvesting on that piece of property according to the deed.

Mr. Kitchen told the Mayor the Depot has a lot of damage and is need of repair. Some of the windows are broken. Mayor Heath said Mr. Stroth was supposed to go down and do an inspection, so he will get with him to make sure it has been done. Mr. Kitchen said the caboose is being used by someone. It has paint on the floors and needs some work also. The Mayor will check it out also and make the police aware so they can patrol the area more.

Mr. Kitchen said under the dock where they painted, they just painted over the trash. He would like to see the trash removed.

## **SERVICE DIRECTOR**

Mr. Sheward stated their needs to be something added to the potential pan-handling ordinance to include something for unsolicited door to door sales. He thinks the Green River Ordinance is no longer in existence.

Mr. Sheward informed council of the problem with the heating system at the Memorial Building. Last February they utilized 50,000 gallons of water in a month. They looked for leaks and shut down some toilets. They had a local company come in to check. They have a steam boiler in the Memorial Building. It provides steam to the radiators. As the room absorbs the steam, it turns back into water. It has to have a return to get back into the boiler. The return lines under the concrete are leaking severely. They could barely get any pressure. The cast iron receiver had a crack in it.

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Mr. Queen asked if they could put ventless heaters on each floor. Mr. Sheward said he does not know what the best option is right now. It will probably use the \$50,000.00 that was set aside and more.

Mr. Queen asked if they have any salt left and if they have ordered any. Mr. Sheward said they do have some salt left and they haven't ordered any yet. There is money already budgeted for it.

Mr. Sheward said the clean up after the Apple Festival went very well this year.

## ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

### ORDINANCE NO. 58-14

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR SERVICE DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION 637, THE BARGAINING UNIT FOR THE JACKSON POLICE OFFICERS, AND TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION 637 AS REQUIRED AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Third Reading

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. 58-14 duly adopted**

**CORRESPONDENCE** – None

## OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Queen stated he is still against the \$500 hazard pay in the police contract.

Mr. Hensler stated he was not at the last meeting, but he wanted to voice a couple of concerns he had. He stated the city police department runs on a \$2,000,000 budget, while the county sheriff's department runs on a \$650,000 budget. This seems like a big difference. He would also like to have some representation from council the next time a contract is up for negotiation. This way information can be brought back to council for discussion.

Mr. Brown made a motion to purchase 2 sections of bleachers to use for Veterans Day, seconded by Mr. Kitchen. There was discussion on what kind to get and how much to spend. As more detail was discussed, this motion was withdrawn by Mr. Brown and the second was withdrawn by Mr. Kitchen.

Mr. Sheward suggested appropriating money from the Tree Harvest Fund since they would be used for the parks. Different amounts were discussed.

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Mr. Brown made a motion to appropriate \$10,000.00 from the Tree Harvest Fund for the purchase of bleachers, seconded by Mr. Kitchen. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Queen announced the Morton Street Neighborhood Watch is having another recovery event on the 26<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

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

Council adjourned at <sup>7:38</sup>~~7:52~~ p.m.

Sherry Barr  
Sherry Barr, Council Clerk

Date 10-27-14

Ronald B. Speakman  
Ronald Speakman, Council President  
Date 10/27/14