

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Session
September 22, 2014
7:00 p.m.

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

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 8, 2014 Regular Session

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 September 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Jackson City Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order by President Ron Speakman. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Jones. The Prayer was given by Mr. Brown.

Roll call was taken as follows:

- Eric Brown- present
- George Kitchen-present
- Loretta Jones- present
- Jon Hensler- absent
- Ron Queen- present
- Jeff Elliott- present
- Brett Foster- present

Mr. Kitchen made a motion to excuse Mr. Hensler from the meeting, seconded by Mr. Elliott.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Sheward stated there was an incorrect name in the minutes. It should have read Solar Planet. Mr. Queen made a motion to accept the minutes as amended, seconded by Mr. Brown. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

VISITORS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UTILITY-No Report

BUDGET & FINANCE - No Report

POLICE, FIRE, AND TRAFFIC

Mr. Kitchen stated the Police contract was not presented to council until August 25th and he would like to have had more of a chance to review the contract before voting on it. He said the next time there is a contract change, he thinks there should be a member of council and the Auditor present at the meetings. The way it was done this time puts everyone in a lose-lose situation in his opinion. Mr.

Kitchen stated he had talked to several people and they said just because the Union ratified it, doesn't mean it is a done deal.

He said there should be an earlier start date for negotiations the next time.

Mr. Brown stated it is his understanding council cannot make the contracts. Mr. Speakman said if someone is present in the negotiation meetings, that person would have to keep everything confidential that was discussed and only discuss it in an Executive session of council.

Mr. Kitchen also feels the \$500.00 Personal Liability pay should have been included in the wages.

Mr. Queen wanted to make it clear, at the last meeting he voted to send the Police contract to council. He did not vote to approve it at that time.

SERVICE-No Report

City Auditor

Mrs. Sexton stated Resolution 23-14 is the tax levy resolution. It is something that is required annually. It is due back to the County Auditor by September 30, 2014.

Law Director-No Report

MAYOR

Mayor Heath stated the Apple Festival is next week. He asked that everyone be patient when driving and be careful. Watch for small children. The Apple Festival is the most positive exposure the city has. Many of the civic groups could not survive without it.

Mayor Heath said he sent an e-mail to the Ohio Public Works Commission regarding the harvesting of trees in the green space, but has not gotten a response yet.

There will be mosquito spraying tonight.

Service Director

Mr. Sheward stated there was a deal made for some of the Meridian property. Mr. Anders is making a transload station there. The Railroad is leasing the property and purchasing one of the buildings.

A supervisor's meeting was held last week to begin this year's budget process. Any input from council is welcome.

The 3 & 3A electric project is making progress.

Mr. Sheward stated the David Avenue water tank is painted. They are slowly filling the tank. The process went very well.

He stated he put a section of the revised code on littering in everyone's packet. Horse manure is not allowed on the streets. If they use the bathroom in the street, the horse's owner must clean it up. They could be cited if it is left in the street.

Mr. Queen stated he would like to commend Administration on the paint job on the Ice Plant. It is looking good. He also wanted to thank Mr. Kitchen and Mrs. Jones on getting the old garage torn down. Mr. Queen passed out pictures of 4 more properties that need to be addressed. Mr. Sheward said they are working on the fire damaged house. Mr. Kirby said it has been legally excluded from bankruptcy. They are also attempting to get the garage on Chillicothe Street. Mr. Foster would also like to see something done with the station on the corner of Bridge and State Streets. Mr. Sheward said the owner of this property is elderly and lives out of town.

Mr. Kitchen said he is thankful for what they have done so far on the properties around town.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE 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.

Second Reading

RESOLUTION 23-14

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

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

Brown-yes
Kitchen-yes
Jones-yes
Hensler-absent
Queen-yes
Elliott-yes
Foster-yes

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

Brown-yes
Kitchen-yes
Jones-yes
Hensler-absent
Queen-yes
Elliott-yes
Foster-yes

RESOLUTION NO. 23-14 DULY ADOPTED

CORRESPONDENCE-NONE

OLD BUSINESS - The Police contract expires September 22, 2014.

Mr. Queen asked if anyone is going to do anything with the traffic light on Chillicothe St. Mr. Sheward said they are trying to work on it, but it is a very old light.

Mayor Heath stated they worked on the light by KFC and it should be fixed. It was staying green for a very short time.

Mrs. Jones stated the left turn at Water Street and Bridge needs fixed. There are too many cars needing to turn right that has to wait

a long period of time due to a car wanting to turn left. Traffic gets very backed up. Mayor Heath said they could do another traffic study to see if a "No Left Turn" sign would be an option.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Brown made a motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m., seconded by Mr. Kitchen. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

Sherry Barr

Sherry Barr, City Council Clerk

9/22/14

Date

Ronald B. Speakman

Ronald Speakman, Council President

9/22/14

Date

To: Jackson City Council

From: George Kitchen

Subject: Contract with the Police Union addition of Section 36.5

Personal Liability Compensation

A.

B.

C.

Suggested Change

Delete Present paragraph language.

Add - The City will place in an Escrow Account the sum of \$20,000.00, to be used to treat the homes and any person or persons, that incur any of these bugs, personal injury from chemicals, needles, etc. The unused portion will carry over each year, if not used. Any amount used will be replaced at the end of the year.

If a signing bonus was needed to close the contract, it could have been added.

945.11 LITTERING.

No person shall deposit or cause to be deposited, sort, scatter or leave any rubbish, earth, ashes, cinders, sawdust, ice, glass, manure, filth, paper, dirt, grass, leaves, twigs, brush, garbage or other offensive material in any public street, alley or public property of the City, nor on any private vacant property, except in approved private or public dumps, and except where certain of these materials are used in a normal manner for improving property by grading, fertilizing or surfacing. (Ord. 3-62. Passed 1-22-62.)