

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL  
Regular Session  
October 26, 2015  
7:00 p.m.

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

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 28, 2015 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

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Jackson City Council met in regular session on Monday, September 28, 2015 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 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 September 14, 2015 Regular Session, seconded by Mr. Kitchen. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

### VISITORS

Mr. Chris Bice spoke to council regarding his position on the Jackson Fire Department. He stated in January 2015, Dave Channell confronted him about the number of runs he had been on in 2014. He said he would be receiving a letter from Mr. Sheward. His percentage of runs was 3%. He explained he is an employee of the State and cannot miss work to go on calls. Mr. Bice stated on June 18, 2015, he received a certified letter from Mr. Sheward stating his services on the fire department were no longer needed. He said he was told that everyone who was under 50% received a letter. He asked council if they could overturn Mr. Sheward's decision and have him reinstated. Mr. Speakman informed him that council is just a legislative body and that would be an Administrative issue. Council does not have the power to overturn the decision.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### UTILITY

Mr. Brown stated before they get to the end of the year, he would like to have a meeting for a 5 year budget for the utilities. Mr. Sheward stated they are working on the information now.

**BUDGET & FINANCE-** No report.

**POLICE, FIRE, & TRAFFIC-** Mr. Kitchen stated they are still going to schedule a meeting regarding golf carts. He will let everyone know when it is scheduled. Mr. Brown stated they made legislation for them a few years ago and they would just have to research it and see what the laws are regarding them.

Mr. Elliott stated they are not against people driving them, he just wants to make sure where they are allowed and children's safety when riding in them. Mr. Brown stated they are not allowed on state highways, just city streets.

Mr. Sheward stated there are certain procedures an owner had to go through in order to get a golf cart licensed.

Mr. Kitchen stated they are not trying to ban the golf carts, just the safety in the use of them.

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

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**CITY AUDITOR**-No report.

**LAW DIRECTOR**

Mr. Kirby stated there are changes to golf carts effective January 2017. The burden is on the city in the future to make decisions about them. They will no longer be considered vehicles.

**MAYOR**

Mayor Heath informed everyone that Veterans Drive is now open to controlled traffic. He appreciated everyone's patience while it was closed.

He stated he heard wonderful comments about the Apple Festival. It is a community effort and it does give the city prestige. He stated next year parking will have to be addressed on Portsmouth St.

Mr. Speakman requested handicap parking signs be placed close to the Veterans Park in the near future.

Trick or Treat will be held on October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6-8 p.m. Oak Hill, Wellston, and Coalton will have theirs at the same time as Jackson.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR**

Mr. Sheward stated there was information in everyone's packet regarding Public Power week, October 4-10.

Ohio Valley Recovery Services is going to discontinue services for collection of utility bills.

Mr. Sheward stated they opened proposals for creek cleaning for Salt Creek through town. It would be from Veteran's Drive to the North edge of the city. The proposal from Sexton's was \$118,950.00 and SJM Construction for \$33,000.00.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**ORDINANCE 60-15**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LICK TOWNSHIP, JACKSON COUNTY, OHIO FOR FIRE PROTECTION.**

First Reading

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

Mr. Sheward stated the city has had township fire protection for many years. This is just a renewal. The first year is about a \$3,000.00 increase and then about a 3% per year over a 5 year period after that. Ordinance 61-15 is just like this one only a different township.

**ORDINANCE 61-15**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, JACKSON COUNTY, OHIO FOR FIRE PROTECTION.**

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 62-15**

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE MARKHAM DRIVE REPAIR FUND AND ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SAID FUND.**

First Reading

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

Mr. Reed stated this is just for bookkeeping purposes. Mr. Sheward said they need this in place to recover money from the state.

Mrs. Jones 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 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. 62-15 duly adopted**

**ORDINANCE NO. 63-15**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE SEWER FUND: ADVANCES OUT 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.



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Mr. Reed had asked for advance out of the fund so they could use it. It has to go through an environmental inspection first. ARC grant for \$250,000.00 does not pay out until the project is done and then they get reimbursed. They may not get it in time to pay the contractors.

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

**Ordinance No. 63-15 duly adopted**

**ORDINANCE NO. 64-15**

**AN ORDINANCE ADVANCING FUNDS FROM THE SEWER FUND: ADVANCE OUT TO MCCARTY LANE SEWER FUND: ADVANCE IN FOR PROJECT EXPENSES WHILE WAITING FOR REIMBURSEMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

First Reading

Mr. Kitchen 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

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

**Ordinance No. 64-15 duly adopted**

**ORDINANCE NO. 65-15**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE MCCARTY LANE SANITARY SEWER FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

First Reading

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

Mr. Sheward stated this will allow them to repave Veterans Drive from where the project began to McCarty Lane. They are able to take it out of the Sewer Fund since it is for sewer.

Mr. Queen asked if they would bid it out. Mr. Sheward said this is the amount that was quoted.

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

**Ordinance No. 65-15 duly adopted**

**RESOLUTION NO. 15-15**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON OR HIS SERVICE/SAFETY DIRECTOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR A GRANT OR LOAN FROM THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS**

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**REQUIRED FOR NEEDED REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS TO MCCARTY LANE AND  
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

First Reading

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

Mr. Sheward stated they are looking for sources of funds to repave McCarty Lane. If the TIGER grant is approved, they won't need any other funds. They are going after \$465,000 grant and a \$200,000.00, 0% loan. He does need it approved tonight if at all possible.

Mr. Kitchen 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 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. 15-15 duly adopted**

**CORRESPONDENCE-None**

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Kirby stated on the Jayjohn property, the owner asked for an extension. Mr. Sheward stated he did not grant the extension. On the 30<sup>th</sup>, he will get a citation.

Mr. Hensler was concerned about Ordinance 65-15, should it have been bid out since it was additional money. Mr. Kirby said it depends on if it is a change order or not.

Mr. Kitchen said the depot is getting painted and would like for everyone to stop down and see it.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Dave Channell announced the Open House for the Fire Department that will be held on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 2-5 p.m. October 10<sup>th</sup> there will be a bean dinner and car show at Manpower Park from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

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Mr. Hensler made a motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m., seconded by Mr. Queen. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

Sherry Barr  
Sherry Barr, Council Clerk

Ronald B. Speakman  
Ronald Speakman, Council President

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