

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL

Regular Session

November 14, 2016

7:00 p.m.

Call to Order..... President Brown

Pledge of Allegiance..... Mr. Foster

Opening Prayer..... Mr. Hensler

ROLL CALL

VISITORS

Mark Musick

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 24, 2016 Regular Session

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Utility –Elliott (Chairman), and Foster and Ondera
- Budget & Finance – Hensler (Chairman), Elliott, and Ondera
- Police, Fire, & Traffic – Kitchen (Chairman), Queen, and Jones
- Service – (Street & Alley, Recreation, Buildings & Grounds) Foster
Chairman), 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, October 24, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Jackson City Council Chambers. President Eric Brown called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Elliott. The Prayer was given by Mr. Hensler.

Roll call was taken as follows:

- Mr. Ondera-present
- Mr. Kitchen-present
- Mrs. Jones-present
- Mr. Hensler-present
- Mr. Queen-present
- Mr. Elliott-present
- Mr. Foster-absent

Mr. Elliott made a motion to excuse Mr. Foster from the meeting, seconded by Mr. Hensler. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

VISITORS

Mayor Heath introduced Keith Denney and Don Hill from the Jackson Elks Lodge, who were making a donation to the Fire Department and the City Pool. Mayor Heath stated the Elks Lodge has been very generous with donations for several years. Chief Dave Channell stated they purchased 4 gas monitors with the \$700 donation. He thanked the Elks for the donation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Hensler made a motion to approve the minutes from September 26, 2016 Regular Session and the October 11, 2016 Special Session, seconded by Mr. Ondera. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UTILITY-No report.

Mr. Brown stated he sent some pictures by e-mail to all council members showing the couches and mattresses the have been dumped at a local business. He feels this is due the charge the city has on each piece they pick up. It is currently \$15 per piece. Mayor Heath said the reason for the charge the city has, is to protect the employees from bed bugs. He said dumping at a business would be considered littering and they could be prosecuted. It was suggested if the business has cameras up, to look and see if they can tell who is doing it. The owner is afraid since it has started, others will do it also. It was suggested to charge \$15 per set of mattresses instead of for each piece. Mr. Elliott asked if there is somewhere they could take it themselves and dump it. Mr. Sheward stated not that he knows of. It was also suggested to just charge \$15 per pickup instead of per item.

BUDGET & FINANCE-No report.

POLICE, FIRE, & TRAFFIC-No report.

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

CITY AUDITOR-No report.

LAW DIRECTOR-No report.

Mr. Queen asked Mr. Kirby if he would check to see if the gas station on Morton had sold.

MAYOR

Mayor Heath stated the election is November 8th and the City Income Tax is on the ballot.

Trick or Treat is Monday, October 31st from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Wellston, Oak Hill, and Coalton will be at the same time.

Mayor Heath stated he sent out a personal cover letter along with the fact sheet for the City Income Tax, to all residents in the city who are registered voters. He also asked Greg Hollback to put it on the city's Facebook page. Mr. Queen's neighborhood would benefit greatly from the income tax. People who use our city to work in and are on a payroll, will be contributing to the tax. Mayor Heath stated if a person has rental properties and they take deductions, that income would be subject to the City Income Tax.

He also commented IRA's are not taxable.

SERVICE DIRECTOR

Mr. Sheward stated there is a little project on Huron St. that will probably be done on Tuesday.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 54-16

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

Mr. Sheward stated there is an ongoing project at the Wastewater Treatment Plant which includes upgrades to the sludge holding tank. It needs to be emptied before the contractor leaves the site. Mr. Ondera stated there was a bid that was about \$40,000 less than the one awarded. Mr. Kirby stated they were required to submit bonds and the company did not. This is money that is in the fund, it just needs to be appropriated.

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

Mr. Ondera-yes
Mr. Kitchen-yes
Mrs. Jones-yes
Mr. Hensler-yes
Mr. Queen-yes

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Mr. Elliott-yes
Mr. Foster-absent

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

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

Ordinance No. 54-16 duly adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 55-16

AN ORDINANCE OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, OHIO TO ACCEPT THE BID OF IRON EAGLE ENTERPRISES, LLC., AS IT WAS THE LOWEST AND BEST RESPONSIVE BID SUBMITTED, FOR THE SLUDGE REMOVAL PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$225,180.00 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

Mr. Sheward stated this is hiring the company to remove the sludge. The lowest bid was not an acceptable bid. He stated if they re-bid it, they could open themselves up for legal action. Mr. Kirby was mostly concerned because they did not submit any bonds. Mr. Sheward stated the way they were going to remove the sludge, were completely different. Iron Eagle will remove the sludge off site and the other company was going to press it.

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

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

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

Mr. Ondera-yes
Mr. Kitchen-yes
Mrs. Jones-yes
Mr. Hensler-yes

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

Ordinance No. 55-16 duly adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 56-16

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Mr. Sheward stated every year they estimate the amount they will need for overtime, but the overtime has increased with the project going on at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. They can't estimate the cash-in pay. It just depends on what they ask for. Mr. Reed stated if they max out on comptime, they have to cash it out. Mr. Sheward stated the city does not have to pay benefits on comptime and they save about 14%.

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

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

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

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

Ordinance No. 56-16 duly adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 57-16

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE MCCARTY LANE SEWER IMPROVEMENT FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

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Mr. Reed stated this finishes up the McCarty Lane sewer project. The city just has to show it on their books.

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

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

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

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

Ordinance No. 57-16 duly adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 58-16

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE ELECTRIC FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

Mr. Reed stated they were reviewing purchased power and they are buying more than they thought they would. They estimated about \$400,000 short in the December payment. This is the power the city purchases and they sell it to the consumers. Mr. Sheward stated they always have to keep more than what they need.

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

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

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

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

Ordinance No. 58-16 duly adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 59-16

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND AMENDING ORD. 40-10 SO AS TO REVISE CHAPTER 133 OF THE CITY OF JACKSON CODE OF ORDINANCES SO AS TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION PAID TO FIREFIGHTERS.

First Reading

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

Mr. Sheward stated this was a recommendation of the Police, Fire, and Traffic committee. Mr. Queen wanted to verify they are financially stable enough to do this. If the tax levy does not pass, they would have to eventually do something in order to build on to the fire department.

ORDINANCE NO. 60-16

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A WAGE INCREASE FOR THE POSITIONS OF FIRE CHIEF AND ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF.

First Reading

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

Mr. Sheward stated this is a companion ordinance to 60-16. Mr. Kitchen stated he feels this is a well deserved increase. Mr. Ondera commented the same.

ORDINANCE NO. 61-16

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE WASTEWATER FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

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Mr. Reed stated this is for money they are taking in for Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade. It will start being paid out at the beginning of the year.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 62-16

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 2.03 AND 5.03 OF THE JACKSON VOLUNTEER
FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL.**

First Reading

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

Mr. Sheward stated this is another recommendation of the Police, Fire, and Traffic committee. The changes are as follows:

It changes the residency requirements and increases the area to recruit firefighters from. It also changes attendance requirement from 50% to 30%.

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

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

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

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

Ordinance No. 62-16 duly adopted.

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:

OLD BUSINESS- None

NEW BUSINESS-None

Mr. Hensler made a motion to adjourn at 7:57 p.m., seconded by Mr. Queen. In a voice vote, all members agreed.



Sherry Barr, Council Clerk



Eric Brown, Council President

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