

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL  
*Minutes From*  
DECEMBER 11, 2017  
7:00 P.M.  
REGULAR SESSION

Jackson City Council met in Regular session on Monday, December 11, 2017 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. Kitchen. 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-absent
- Mr. Elliott-present
- Mr. Foster-present

Mr. Hensler made a motion to excuse Mr. Queen, seconded by Mr. Kitchen. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

#### **VISITORS**

John Markley spoke regarding the waste landfill. He said he e-mailed information to everyone and he would like for everyone to review it. He said he hopes they didn't table the resolution just not to do anything, because that is the same as saying yet. The more governments that we get in support against the landfill the more opportunity they have to change the course of the way it will be done.

Tim Matchett spoke regarding the waste landfill. His information is attached. After his allotted time to speak, Mr. Hensler approved him to continue, seconded by Mr. Elliott. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

Randy Evans from Randy Evans Construction spoke in regards to the possible City Income Tax. He thanked each council member for their position serving on council. They have a very important job. He asked how is it right to impose an income tax after it was turned down by the citizens. Citizens expected to see some cuts made. If there has been any made, the citizens have not seen them. He stated he served on Jackson City School Board for several years. They had to make cuts to save money and they did it through attrition. Now they are financially strong. He feels it would be more attractive to businesses to come here if they can say they are the only city that does not have an income tax.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Hensler made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 27<sup>th</sup> Regular session, seconded by Mr. Ondera. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

#### **APPROVAL OF AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Hensler made a motion to approve the November 2017 Auditor's report, seconded by Mr. Elliott. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

Mr. Brown said the December 25<sup>th</sup> meeting will need to be changed. The meeting was changed to Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 p.m.

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He said there would need to be meetings scheduled to take care of any legislation pertaining to the Auditor's office. Thursday, December 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. and Friday, December 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. are the scheduled meetings.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**UTILITY**

Mr. Elliott said there is a request from Katrina Campbell at 3375 Mt. Zion Rd. to have electrical service installed in a pole barn behind the salon. Mr. Elliott made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Mr. Hensler. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

**BUDGET & FINANCE**-No report.

**POLICE, FIRE, & TRAFFIC**

Mr. Hensler said there is a smell in the Police Department entryway. Mr. Sheward said he will have this checked out.

**SERVICE -(STREET & ALLEY, RECREATION, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS**

Mr. Foster said they still need one more "No Parking" sign on Gay Streets close to the bridge.

Mr. Kitchen said the \$300,000 grant for the blighted properties through the Land Bank will make a big difference.

He thanked Barbie McCathren and other people who have helped to make downtown look a lot better.

He was asking about the \$74,000 in the Travel and Tourism fund, if it could be used to promote tourism.

**JAIL COMMITTEE**

Mr. Ondera said they had another meeting and toured the Frick Gallagher building in Wellston. They are still trying to come up with a solution to the problem.

**CITY AUDITOR**

Mr. Reed said the State came out with the Financial Health Indicators. He said there issues were Capital Improvements and the solvency of the General Fund.

He said they have implemented a new time system. It is paper free.

The Maximus study is done.

They are working on closing out of books for the end of the year.

**LAW DIRECTOR**-No report.

**MAYOR**

Mayor Heath thanked Randy Evans for his comments. Mayor Heath said the only thing that is the same between the tax proposal that was turned down by the citizens and the one trying to be imposed, is the 1%.

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The one that was turned down was for community improvements. He said their main concern is protecting the citizens. Mayor Heath said they need to have a Special meeting just for this ordinance.

The meeting was set for Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting will be to have the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of Ordinance 61-17.

Mr. Kitchen wanted to thank Barbie McCathren for her incredible community effort in making the city look nice. He thanked the County Commissioners for the Land Bank Committee and said they should send a letter to them with all of council's signatures.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR**

Mr. Sheward said McCarty Lane is open for the winter. They will start work on it again in the Spring. A lot of the work is complete. It should last a long.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**ORDINANCE NO. 58-17**

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

Third Reading

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

**Ordinance No. 58-17 duly adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 61-17 (Amended)**

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AN INCOME TAX AT THE ANNUAL RATE OF 1% FOR THE PURPOSES OF PROVIDING ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Second Reading

Mr. Hensler asked who gathers the information to submits it to RITA. Mr. Reed said he wasn't sure, but he will find out. Mr. Hensler also asked about some verbage on page 4 of the ordinance. He would like clarification on this before the next meeting.

**ORDINANCE NO. 62-17**

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

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First Reading

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

Mr. Reed stated there is someone retiring in the Sewer Dept. and they don't have enough money in the fund to pay out his benefits.

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

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

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

**Ordinance No. 62-17 duly adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 63-17**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, OHIO, TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON, OHIO AND WARREN THOMAS THACKER TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES TO THE CITY OF JACKSON.**

**First Reading**

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

Mr. Sheward said Mr. Thacker has become a great asset to the city for the computer work. He has done a lot with the Auditor's office and implementing the new time system. His contract is up at the end of the year.

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

**Ordinance No. 63-17 duly adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 64-17**

**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND AMENDING ORDINANCE 11-93 SO AS TO REVISE THE RULES OF ORDER GOVERNING THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, SPECIFICALLY, RULE 2 AS IT GOVERNS THE MANNER BY WHICH PERSONS MAY BE HEARD BY COUNCIL.**

**First Reading**

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

Mr. Ondera asked about the time stated in the ordinance. Mr. Brown stated it follows the way it was before. It is at the discretion of the Council President.

**ORDINANCE NO. 65-17**

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE UPDATED JACKSON COUNTY, OHIO, NATURAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN 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.

Mayor Heath said this is something that the county works on. It has to be adopted by all of the municipalities. If they do not adopt it, they are not eligible for FEMA money.

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

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Mr. Elliott-yes  
Mr. Foster-yes

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

**Ordinance No. 65-17 duly adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 66-17**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, OHIO  
ADOPTING A TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON,  
OHIO 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 they are having a difficult time with the budget since they did not know how much they were going to have to spend. This will need passed by the end of the year. Mayor Heath encouraged everyone to call his office with any questions. Mr. Kitchen asked about the Railroad fund and if it is the money left in the account. Mr. Sheward said it is some left over and some is contributions. Mr. Reed stated his office does the wages and benefits. The General Fund is by line item.

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-17**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A DONATION FROM THE JACKSON AREA CHAMBER OF  
COMMERCE OF CERTAIN CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS DISPLAYED THROUGHOUT THE  
CITY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**First Reading**

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

Mayor Heath said this would need to be the first reading said there is a page missing from the attachment. He said in the Audit they said the City had never officially accepted the donations.

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**CORRESPONDENCE**

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Kitchen said the truck they accepted from the Fire Dept. was in great shape.

Mayor Heath said they have received the paperwork so they can get the stuff done at Manpower Park.

Ordinance No. 20-17 is still tabled unless it is brought back to the table.

Mr. Hensler made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:17 p.m. to discuss pending contracts, seconded by Mr. Elliott.

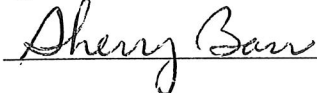
In a roll call vote, council voted as follows:

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

Mrs. Jones made a motion to return to Regular session at 8:52, seconded by Mr. Ondera.

**NEW BUSINESS-None**

Mr. Hensler made a motion to adjourn at 8:52 p.m., seconded by Mr. Kitchen. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

  
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Sherry Barr, Council Clerk

Date 12-27-17

  
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Eric Brown, Council President

Date 12-27-17

Eric -  
for timing

December 11, 2017  
Jackson City Council

My name is Tim Matchett. My family and I have lived in this city for more than 57 years, in nine homes, in all four city wards. My six-block walk from home now to this room takes about eight minutes.

I worked at the operating plant in Pike County for 22 years. For the last seven I worked in a group that audited performance and regulatory compliance of the site's progressively rigorous safety, environmental, maintenance, and process management programs.

Yes, progressively rigorous.

Construction started on the plant in November 1952 and operation began in March 1954. The Second World War had just ended. The "Cold War" start has been associated with March of 1947. The Korean War had started in June 1950. It was built and started operating, and materials were buried within perimeter road, in a war-time mindset.

Local residents were euphoric with announcement in August 1952 that the nation's newest enrichment complex would be built in Pike County. Thousands of locals helped build it. And then for 50 years thousands of proud local workers kept it running, upgraded and maintained.

One account I've enjoyed hearing is about two gentlemen from Jackson who worked in the Power Operations group. As they sat in a restaurant one evening years ago, they sketched from memory on a placemat the entire plant power grid as they talked about improvement.

Was everything done as should be over the beginning years? No. And this has been recognized by various federal acts and programs. And now DOE wants to address 70-year past legacy issues using current standards and technologies.



It's not the same since the plant began nearly 70 years ago. Key agencies and acts did not exist in the 1950s and 1960s. For example, EPA and OSHA, December 1970. The NRC in January 1975. RCRA, TSCA and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act in October 1976 and December 1980. The U. S. Department of Energy itself was formed just in August 1977.

There are now these acts and regulations and agencies and more, and the past 70 years of technology, to fully address properly legacy issues within the Pike County site with construction and operation of the on-site facility as planned. That plan is to ensure a site for other federal or perhaps private uses, but only if legacy disposal sites within perimeter road are removed. Without the on-site facility, that won't happen.

I took elective early retirement soon after announcement in 2000 of gaseous diffusion plant closure -- news that distressed all of southern Ohio. As the news also had distressed us when gas centrifuge plant construction was stopped in 1985.

I joined a Jackson contractor as its quality manager in 2006 and have spent quite some time back on the site.

My company was responsible for building parts of the depleted uranium recovery plant. We had a contract for QL-1 installation of service modules in one last attempt by USEC to demonstrate the feasibility of resuming gas centrifuge uranium enrichment in Pike County. The advanced technology worked -- but the support did not follow.

Over recent years my company has built systems to support the on-site facility that will contain debris from process and support buildings and equipment that once operated so vibrantly.

I have seen the degree of oversight, inspection and structure being applied to building it.

More than five years ago, my company assisted in part by digging test excavations to help assess geology and then helping extend cameras into deep trenches to capture images of soil and rock layers. More than five years ago!

My company was prime contractor and hired a logging company owned by a Jackson resident to do the site clearing. More than two years ago!

My local skilled co-workers over the past two years have installed facility raw water, potable water and sanitary sewer lines and built a raw water booster station. A resident Jackson contractor worked for us doing horizontal boring to install water lines under a road and railroad.

To do this work, we have purchased materials and equipment from the local piping supply house, from local heavy equipment and implement companies, and from the local hardware and supply stores. We've bought and leased vehicles from local dealers.

The quality standard that DOE has adopted for construction and operation of the on-site facility is ASME NQA-1. This is the standard used by the NRC to regulate construction and operation of **nuclear reactor stations**. DOE has adopted this standard for construction and operation of a building and equipment demolition and soil landfill.

At first, we thought "**overkill**" when even during water line installation, it required three (from contractor, FBP quality and a construction quality oversight firm) to witness, inspect and verify processes so simple as connecting correctly sections of C900 water piping and the hydrostatic pressure testing to verify integrity.

Our trained supervision and craftspersons do not need this degree of “assistance” as they are well capable of doing **and assuring** work correctly. But that’s not how it’s done.

Contract Attachment J-16 says contractors must designate a QA/QC representative **independent of directing and performing** work. The contractor must confirm and submit knowledge, skills and ability for approval per Attachment J-8.

Torque wrenches used to tighten bolted connections at **water system** valves, pumps and motors must be currently calibrated by laboratories and instruments traceable to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). I mention because such is ensured for us by our Equipment Manager. He lives seven blocks from this room.

Before doing metallic and thermoplastic heat fusion welding on water lines, we provided qualifications of personnel to American Welding Society and National Certified Pipe Welding Bureau procedures and testing processes. For heat fusion welding on **water lines**, we’ve assured personnel are qualified to **Federal Gas Pipeline Requirements** (Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 192, Subpart N, U. S. Department of Transportation, Office of Pipeline Safety).

Qualified welders for whom we’ve submitted documentation and who have performed this work live in Jackson. One is also within six blocks of this room.

This is the degree of quality rigor that DOE and FBP are using to design and build and apply to operating and maintaining the facility.

The FBP and DOE people involved in design and building, and who will then operate and maintain, are not “THEM!” They are US. They are YOU. Many live right here in the City of Jackson. You represent them.

Resolution in opposition would defy local tax-paying working men and women who have been and will be responsible for the construction, operation and maintenance of a **highly engineered** and what will be a **highly regulated and highly maintained** building and equipment demolition and soil disposal landfill.

Please leave this resolution tabled indefinitely without passage. Or better yet, formally vote it down and move onward. **That** is what city residents involved in this high-tech project expect of you.

Thank you.

To Whom it may concern,

I (Katrina Campbell) owner of Cutting Edge Designs, 3375 Mt Zion Rd. Jackson, would like an additional service. I have a pole barn behind the salon, that is in need of new service. I would like it billed to me personally. If not the salon name is also fine.

Sincerely,  
Katrina  
Campbell