

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL

Minutes From

JULY 22, 2019

7:00 P.M.

REGULAR SESSION

Jackson City Council met in Regular session on Monday, July 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in Jackson City Council Chambers. President, Eric Brown called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Peters, and the prayer was given by Mr. Brown.

Roll call was taken as follows:

- Mr. Ondera-absent
- Mr. Kitchen-present
- Mr. Aldrich-absent
- Mr. Peters-present
- Mr. Queen-present
- Mr. Elliott-present
- Mr. Foster-present

Mr. Elliott made a motion to excuse Mr. Ondera and Mr. Aldrich. Mr. Kitchen seconded it. In a voice vote all members agreed.

VISITORS- Mr. Brown informed us that ODOT would not be attending our meeting this evening. Their appearance was to review the 93 project. Mr. Sheward said he would arrange for ODOT to be present at our next meeting on August 12th, 2019.

APPROVAL OF AUDITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Elliott made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kitchen, to approve the Auditor's report for April and May. In a voice vote all members agreed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Kitchen made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 8th, 2019 regular session meeting. Mr. Elliott seconded it. In a voice vote all members agreed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UTILITY-No report Mr. Sheward was asked if any changes had been made to the light on Main St. at Tractor Supply. Mr. Sheward said he knew it had been discussed, but didn't know the outcome of the conversation.

BUDGET & FINANCE- No report Mr. Elliott called a meeting for August 12th at 6:30 P.M. before the regularly scheduled meeting, to go over the auditor's report.

POLICE, FIRE, & TRAFFIC- No report.

SERVICE -(STREET & ALLEY, RECREATION, BUILDINGS, & GROUND)

Mr. Foster said there are some new ordinances about the cemetery that we need to get passed as soon as possible.

Mr. Kitchen said he had a couple of articles from a magazine about some small towns similar to ours and what they are doing to take charge of dilapidated buildings and trash accumulation. He said Circleville is a town similar to ours that has started a direct system in which residents are cited just like a traffic violation.

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The homeowner would be cited if their property wasn't properly taken care of. He said he would forward this information to Mr. Foster.

JAIL COMMITTEE- No report

CITY AUDITOR- No report.

CITY ATTORNEY- No report

POLICE CHIEF- No report

MAYOR- Mayor Heath said they are to start any day on the drainage work at ManPower Park. In a week or two the plans for sidewalk will be ready for bids. The parking lot at Mound Street is still being worked on and isn't lined yet.

Jackson County is now the first of our 88 counties in Ohio for having the highest Opioid drug count. Mayor Heath expressed his respect for Chief Potter and the police force and the job they do. Crime increases with this drug problem and we need to show support for the police department as the battle gets tougher; and support our city and its needs.

Mayor Heath also expressed his gratitude for the community support and prayers during his four hour surgery. He said he had great care and is doing remarkably well.

SERVICE SAFETY DIRECTOR

Fire Department reported a letter from the engineer. They are ready for a bid for McCarty Lane. The Northside water/drainage project is ready to begin as they have received an acceptable bid. Commissioners are meeting tomorrow morning. The Pavement is slipping by Walmart. It wasn't supposed to do that. The asphalt was a type of super pave and shouldn't have started slipping. It is likely to continue to get worse in this hot weather.

Board of control meeting approved to purchase new dumpsters.

Mr. Peters asked Mr. Sheward about Peak Shaving, and what is in place to let users know when it's peak time. Mr. Sheward said there isn't a way to let homes know when. But on hot days to cut back.

Mr. Kitchen asked about the recent glitches in the electric in the city. The upgraded system is supposed to have a recloser after the 3rd time and burn out. But they are having a difficult time finding where it is originating. Also the windy weather is blowing the wires and could be contributing to the glitches as well.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 25-19

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND AMENDING ORD. 6-11 REGARDING CEMETERY FEES AS SET FORTH IN THE CITY OF JACKSON CODIFIED ORDINANCES AS SECTIONS 941.11, 941.12, 941.13, 941.15, 941.16, 941.17, 941.18, AND 941.28.

First Reading

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big step. We would need to get with the department of rehabilitation. It would be a slow process and a financial responsibility/liability. The CASC facility should help us tremendously when it comes through.

Mr. Kitchen added that we should type a letter to our governor who promised to help us. We are running out of money and we need his help.

ORDINANCE 29-19

First Reading

AN ORDINANCE OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO EXECUTE AN ADDENDUM TO THE JACKSON ENTERPRISE ZONE AGREEMENT, FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE TRAINING CENTER, WITH BF NLA, LLC TO DESIGNATE THE JACKSON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP AS THE RECIPIENT OF THE ANNUAL ADMINISTRATIVE FEE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

The Enterprise Zone Agreement didn't list the Jackson Economic development as part of the administration, although they are. This allows the mayor to issue an addendum so that the administrative fee is invoiced properly and the fee is correctly paid to the Jackson County Economic Development Partnership as the enterprise one manager.

ORDINANCE 30-19

First Reading

AN ORDINANCE OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO EXECUTE AN ADDENDUM TO THE JACKSON ENTERPRISE ZONE AGREEMENT, FOR THE MEDICAL CLINIC, WITH BF NLA, LLC TO DESIGNATE THE JACKSON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP AS THE RECIPIENT OF THE ANNUAL ADMINISTRATIVE FEE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

This is the same as previous ordinance except it is a different project. This is for the medical clinic where as the previous was for the training center.

ORDINANCE NO 31-19

First Reading

AN ORDINANCE OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO EXECUTE AN ADDENDUM TO THE JACKSON ENTERPRISE ZONE AGREEMENT, FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER, WITH BF NLA, LLC TO DESIGNATE THE JACKSON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP AS THE RECIPIENT OF THE ANNUAL ADMINISTRATIVE FEE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

This ordinance is the same as previous two, except it is for the Administrative Service Center.

ORDINANCE NO 32-19

First Reading

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT AND TO EXECUTE DEEDS SO AS TO CONVEY THE JACKSON SHORT LINE RAILROAD TO THE OHIO RAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Kitchen made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Mr. Elliott seconded it. In a voice vote all members agreed.

Mr. Kirby explained that the railroad known as the Jackson Short Line Railroad that runs through the city of Jackson while does provide some economic benefits is expensive to operate. We acquired the railroad with grant funds, and would be required to pay them back should we ever sell the property. Our total repayment is over \$800,000.00 which is greater than the land is valued. We have made an agreement to transfer ownership to the State of Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) who will continue to operate the railroad, and we are relieved of our obligation to repay the grants.

RESOLUTION NO. 25-19

First Reading

A RESOLUTION OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, OHIO TO ACCEPT THE BID OF WAUGH CONSTRUCTION, LLC IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$92,000 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OR REPAIR OF THE LIFT STATION SERVICING THE ACEY AVENUE AREA AS IT WAS THE LOWEST AND BEST RESPONSIVE BID SUBMITTED AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

Mr. Sheward explained that we have had the plans and the money to replace the lift station for three years. We had a problem with its location. We need to get a new lift station before winter.

CORRESPONDENCE- None.

OLD BUSINESS- National Nights Out is August 6, 2019. Need to spray for mosquitoes.

Mr. Elliott believes that the drug problem will pass. Doctors have rigid protocols in place when prescribing drugs now. And he feels this will get things under control.

Mr. Peters told council about Moonville Tunnel Group who informed him about a database that ODOT has which contains a list of bridges they will give away.

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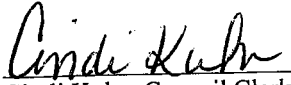
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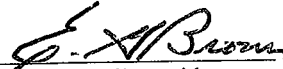
Mr. Kitchen made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Elliott.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:56 p.m.



Cindi Kuhn, Council Clerk

Date 8-12-19



Eric Brown, Council President

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