

**JACKSON CITY COUNCIL**  
*Minutes From*  
**July 27, 2020**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**REGULAR SESSION**

Jackson City Council met in regular session on Monday, July 27, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in Jackson City Council Chambers. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. J. Peters and the prayer was given by Mrs. Colby. President Edwards called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken as follows:

- Mr. Foster – Present
- Mr. Coll – Present
- Mrs. Colby – Present
- Mr. R. Peters - Present
- Mr. J. Peters – Present
- Mrs. Biggs --Present
- Mr. Bopp --Present

**VISITORS** ~ None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. J. Peters made a motion to approve the July 13, 2020 minutes with a second from Mrs. Colby. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

Mr. R. Peters made a motion with a second from Mr. Coll to enter into executive session: To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee. His motion included all council members, the mayor, service director, auditor, police chief, and clerk. A roll call vote was taken to enter into executive session. The results are as follows:

FOSTER	Yes
COLL	Yes
COLBY	Yes
R. PETERS	Yes
J PETERS	Yes
BIGGS	Yes
BOPP	Yes

Council Entered Executive Session at 7:17 PM

Mrs. Biggs made a motion to resume regular session with a second from Mr. Coll. In a voice vote, all members agreed. Council resumed regular session at 7:44PM.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**UTILITY**~ Next scheduled meeting is for Monday, August 24, 2020 at 6:00 PM.

Topics:

- Only topic will be Landlord/Tenant Ordinance Solutions

**BUDGET & FINANCE**~ Meeting tonight before regular meeting. Plan to have another meeting and invite citizens. Want to get information out about the levy. Let citizens know what it will look like if the levy passes and if it does not.

**POLICE, FIRE, & TRAFFIC**~ No Report

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**SERVICE (STREET & ALLEY, RECREATION, BUILDINGS, & GROUND)** ~ Met on July 20, 2020. Looking at a countywide approach with the commissioners to solving the cat problem. Mrs. Biggs will be meeting with Oak Hill tomorrow to see if they will be working with us. The dog warden, humane society, and John Hensler are all willing to be on the committee.

**JAIL COMMITTEE**~ No Report

**CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE** ~ Met last Tuesday, July 21, 2020 Deanna Bragg from the citizens committee was going to meet with a city worker from the electric department to go through the decorations and to see how many poles have electric on South St.

Plan to get with the radio and put an ad out to raise money all year long for the Christmas Decorations Fund.

Next Meeting August 4, 2020 at 6:30PM

**56-19**~ Mr. Coll asked Mr. Kirby if there is any new information on the landfill situation. Mr. Kirby said they are still arguing that we should be immune to the lawsuit. He said no one is talking settlement numbers yet.

**CITY AUDITOR/ TREASURER**~ No Report

**CITY ATTORNEY**~ No Report

**POLICE/FIRE CHIEF**~ Encourage citizens to call if they see anything suspicious. Have had people stealing bikes and getting in out buildings.

**MAYOR** ~ No Report

**SERVICE/SAFETY DIRECTOR**~ Planning commission meeting for tomorrow evening is cancelled. In the packets, he has included the Community Advisory Board – Code of Conduct and responsibilities.

He wants to council members to work with the people from their ward and then schedule a time to meet with him.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**ORDINANCE 35-20**

**AN ORDINANCE TO MOVE APPROPRIATIONS IN THE PERMISSIVE TAX FUND FROM THE STREETS, HIGHWAYS, & SIDEWALKS LINE ITEM TO THE SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS LINE ITEM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**Second Reading**

**ORDINANCE 36-20**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR ODOT PAVING PROJECTS.**

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**First Reading**

Mr. R. Peters made a motion to adopt with a second from Mr. Coll. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

Mayor Evans said this project was approved by previous council and administration. This is our portion of the project and we need to transfer money to pay this portion. The money in the CBDG account was already earmarked for this project.

**ORDINANCE 37-20**

**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING THE CITY OF JACKSON ELECTRIC UTILITY RATES AS ESTABLISHED BY ORD 58-18 AND AS SET FORTH IN THE CITY OF JACKSON CODIFIED ORDINANCES AS SECTIONS 921.06 AND 921.07 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**First Reading**

Mr. Coll made a motion to adopt the Ordinance with a second from Mrs. Colby. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

Mayor Evans wanted to remind the public they are able to reduce these rates because they can no longer take utility revenue and transfer to the general fund. This shows the need for the income tax.

Mr. J Peters made a motion to suspend the rules with a second from Mr. Coll. A roll call vote was taken and the results are as follows:

FOSTER	No
COLL	Yes
COLBY	Yes
R. PETERS	Yes
J PETERS	Yes
BIGGS	Yes
BOPP	Yes

A roll call vote was taken to adopt the ordinance and the results are as follows:

FOSTER	No
COLL	Yes
COLBY	Yes
R. PETERS	Yes
J PETERS	Yes
BIGGS	Yes
BOPP	Yes

**Ordinance 37-20 Duly Adopted**

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**RESOLUTION 21-20**

**A RESOLUTION CREATING THE UNCLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE POSITION OF  
TECHNOLOGY COORDINATOR AND ESTABLISHING THE SALARY**

**Third Reading**

A roll call vote was taken to adopt the Resolution, and the results are as follows:

FOSTER	Yes
COLL	Yes
COLBY	Yes
R. PETERS	Yes
J PETERS	Yes
BIGGS	Yes
BOPP	Yes

**Resolution 21-20 Duly Adopted**

**RESOLUTION 24-20**

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF A CEMETERY LEVY AND CERTIFYING  
THE CEMETERY LEVY ISSUE TO THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND DECLARING AN  
EMERGENCY.**

**Second Reading**

Mr. Kirby said we have what we need back from the county auditor and we need to pass this today.

Mrs. Biggs made a motion with a second from Mr. Coll to suspend the rules. A roll call vote was taken and the results are as follows:

FOSTER	Yes
COLL	Yes
COLBY	Yes
R. PETERS	Yes
J PETERS	Yes
BIGGS	Yes
BOPP	Yes

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J PETERS	Yes
BIGGS	Yes
BOPP	Yes

**Resolution 24-20 Duly Adopted**

**RESOLUTION 27-20**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE ASPHALT REPAVING PROJECT ON A PORTION OF STATE ROUTE 788 WITHIN THE CORPORATION LIMITS OF THE CITY AND TO AUTHORIZE THE LOCAL MATCH AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**First Reading**

Mr. Ryan Peters made a motion with a second from Mrs. Biggs to adopt the Resolution. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

**RESOLUTION 28-20**

**A RESOLUTION CREATING THE POSITION OF DEPARTMENT HEAD OF MECHANICAL SERVICES AND ESTABLISHING SALARY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**First Reading**

Mr. Foster made a motion to adopt the Resolution with a second from Mr. Coll. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

Mrs. Biggs made a motion with a second from Mr. Coll to suspend the rules. A roll call vote was taken and the results are as follows:

FOSTER	Yes
COLL	Yes
COLBY	Yes
R. PETERS	Yes
J PETERS	Yes
BIGGS	Yes
BOPP	Yes

A roll call vote was taken to adopt the Resolution, and the results are as follows:

FOSTER	Yes
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J PETERS	Yes

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BIGGS	Yes
BOPP	Yes

**Resolution 28-20 Duly Adopted**

**RESOLUTION 29-20**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE ASPHALT REPAVING PROJECT ON STATE ROUTES 93 AND 139 WITHIN THE CORPORATION LIMITS OF THE CITY AND TO AUTHORIZE THE LOCAL MATCH AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mrs. Biggs made a motion to adopt the Ordinance with a second from Mrs. Colby. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

This project will go from Four Mile Rd on 93 all the way through town.

**First Reading**

**RESOLUTION 30-20**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JACKSON OHIO AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL OF CT CONSULTANTS TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES TO DETERMINE THE PROJECTED EXCESS CAPACITY OF THE CITY'S WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM AT THE FORMER MERIDIAN FACTORY SITE.**

**First Reading**

Mrs. Biggs made a motion with a second from Mr. Coll to adopt the Ordinance. In a voice vote there were 6 yes votes and 1 no vote.

Jackson Economic Development Group is funding this 100%. They will reimburse the city for this expense. They need to know how much water/sewer the city has going to and from this site.

**RESOLUTION 31-20**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JACKSON AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO ENTER INTO EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS TO FILL THE POSITIONS OF HEAD OF DEPARTMENT OF SERVICES, HEAD OF DEPARTMENT OF WATER, HEAD OF DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL SERVICES, HEAD OF DEPARTMENT OF WATER DISTRIBUTION AND WASTEWATER COLLECTIONS, HEAD OF DEPARTMENT OF WASTEWATER, AND HEAD OF DEPARTMENT OF UTILITY BILLING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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Mr. Coll made a motion with a second from Mrs. Colby to adopt the Resolutions. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

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FOSTER	Yes
COLL	Yes
COLBY	Yes
R. PETERS	Yes
J PETERS	Yes
BIGGS	Yes
BOPP	Yes

A roll call vote was taken to adopt the Resolution, and the results are as follows:

FOSTER	Yes
COLL	Yes
COLBY	Yes
R. PETERS	Yes
J PETERS	Yes
BIGGS	Yes
BOPP	Yes

**Resolution 31-20 Duly Adopted**

**RESOLUTION 32-20**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY OR THE CHIEF OF THE JACKSON FIRE DEPARTMENT TO FILE AN APPLICATION FOR THE USDA COMMUNITY FACILITIES LOAN AND GRANT PROGRAM FOR A GRANT TO PAY FOR A PORTION OF THE COST OF AIR-PACKS TO BE USED BY THE JACKSON FIRE DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**First Reading**

Mr. R. Peters made a motion with a second from Mrs. Biggs to adopt the Ordinance. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

Mr. J. Peters asked if we are using our new grant writer for this. The SD said The Jackson Economic Development Group told us about this one. We have a short time for approval for this grant.

Mrs. Colby made a motion with a second from Mrs. Biggs to suspend the rules. A roll call vote was taken, and the results are as follows:

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COLBY	Yes
R. PETERS	Yes
J PETERS	Yes
BIGGS	Yes
BOPP	Yes

**Resolution 32-20 Duly Adopted**

**CORRESPONDENCE~**

**OLD BUSINESS~** Mr. R. Peters asked about the standing water and mosquito problem at Manpower Park that had been mentioned at the last meeting. Administration said they were going to be installing a light pole, finishing the electric at Manpower, and fixing the drainage issue right after the Pig Iron Festivities.

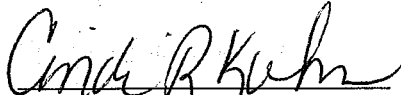
**SIGNED IN VISITORS TO SPEAK~**

**NEW BUSINESS~** Mr. R. Peters reminded everyone about the Community Advisory Board to be getting a couple of people from your ward to be on that committee with you.

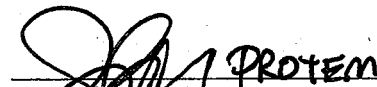
Mrs. Biggs reminded everyone to be thinking about whom they could get to put on a committee of citizens to pass the levy.

Mr. R. Peters made a motion to adjourn with a second from Mrs. Biggs. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

Meeting adjourned 8:10 PM

  
Cindi Kuhn, Council Clerk

Date 8-10-20

  
Ryan Peters, Council Pro Tem

Date 8/10/2020