

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL
Minutes From
March 28, 2022
7:00 P.M.
REGULAR SESSION

Jackson City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 28, 2022. The pledge was led by Mr. Ondera, and the prayer was given by Mrs. Colby. President Fulks called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken as follows:

- Mr. Foster –Present
- Mr. Ondera –Present
- Mrs. Colby – Present
- Mr. Peters – Present
- Mr. Newkirk - Present
- Mr. Crabtree - Present
- Mr. Bopp -- Present

VISITORS/RECOGNITIONS ~ None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES ~ Mr. Ondera made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from March 14, 2022 with a second from Mrs. Colby. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UTILITY ~ Met tonight with Mr. Rupert from Rumpke about the possibility of bringing back the recycling program. Discussed having Rumpke handle the trash pickup as well. There wasn't a decision made. It was the initial meeting to gather facts and hear ideas.

BUDGET & FINANCE~ No Report

POLICE, FIRE, & TRAFFIC~ No Report

SERVICE COMMITTEE ~ No Report

POLICE CHIEF ~ No Report

CITY AUDITOR/ TREASURER~ No Report

CITY ATTORNEY~ No Report

FIRE CHIEF~ No Report

MAYOR

- Employment: Few Openings
 - Executive Assistant/ Project Manager – Losing very important person to their staff. Traci Plants is taking a position with a company that she worked with when trying to find funds for the city projects.
 - Assistant Deputy Auditor in Mr. Reed's office.
 - Administrative Assistant Position

If interested can get more information on the city website and facebook page. Or can contact the office.

- Still looking for part-time seasonal help.
- Lifeguards

Kaley Lower is coming back to manage the pool.

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- Planning Commission meeting tonight to discuss zoning problems. There are many areas in the city that are zoned inappropriately. The committee is looking at options to correct this.

SERVICE/SAFETY DIRECTOR

- Tree Commission met tonight to get organized. Crystal Finch & Bryn Stepp will be the Co-chairs of the committee with Bev Ondera being the secretary. Mr. Newkirk will represent council, and Mr. Swackhammer will represent the administration.
Meeting again on 4-25-22 at 5:00PM.
- Mr. Foster was going to reach out to Chief Hinsch about the traffic study. Have not heard from him yet on this.
- Asked Mr. Ondera to plan to meet with administration to discuss utility increases.

There were technical difficulties and council had to take a recess. Mr. Ondera made a motion to take a recess with a second from Mr. Crabtree. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

Council Recessed: 7:09PM

Mr. Newkirk made a motion with a second from Mr. Crabtree to resume regular session. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

Council Resumed: 7:11PM

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCE 11-22

AN ORDINANCE CREATING FUND NUMBER 411: MILL STREET SEWER PROJECT FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

Mr. Reed said we need to set up this account for a project. There is a grant coming and this needs set up to accept the money and then be ready for expenditures.

Mr. Swackhammer asked that this be passed tonight to get this project account set up right away. This will be bid later in April.

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

Foster	Yes
Ondera	Yes
Colby	Yes
Peters	Yes
Newkirk	Yes
Crabtree	Yes
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Ordinance 11-22 Duly Adopted

CORRESPONDENCE ~ None

OLD BUSINESS ~ Mr. Foster said he would like to talk to Chief Hinsch about the traffic study and then with Mr. Swackhammer. He has not been able to do this yet. Mr. Peters asked if there is anything we can do in the mean time regarding the Bridge St. requests. A petition is in the packets tonight signed by several residents in the area. Mr. Ondera said he thought making another change would add to the confusion. He understands Chief Hinsch has helped Mr. Entler with getting his camper into his driveway. They are trying to resolve that situation for him. He understands there are other concerns.

Mr. Entler said he has watched and everyday people are starting and stopping and do not know what to do at the intersection now. He agrees it would cause more confusion and probably be dangerous if it were changed again right now.

Mr. Peters asked which is more cost effective: the traffic study or fixing the light. Mr. Swackhammer said the light would be cheaper, but there are several lights in the city that might need removed to improve the traffic flow. The study will resolve all the issues. Wouldn't want to fix this light, do the traffic study, and then decide to remove the light again.

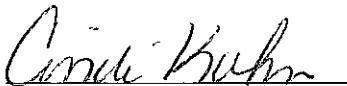
Mr. Foster asked if Mr. Swackhammer had been able to talk to the railroad owner about the rough tracks on Carr St. by Veteran's Drive. Mr. Swackhammer said he did not. He would make a note to do that.

NEW BUSINESS ~ Mr. Peters said the Planning Commission will be recommending some amendments to the verbiage in the Zoning Book. They will likely bring legislation to the next meeting for council to approve to do this.

Mr. Ondera asked if there were any other questions or ideas regarding the Rumpke meeting.

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

Meeting Adjourned 7:24 PM


Cindi Kuhn, Council Clerk


Dan Fulks, President

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