

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL
Minutes From
September 26, 2022
7:00 P.M.
REGULAR SESSION

Jackson City Council met in regular session on Monday, September 26, 2022. The pledge was led by Mr. Bopp, 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~ Mayor Evans gave a shout out to the JAFE Corp. who put on the Apple Festival. He said it was a great turnout and another successful year. The volunteers do a great job. They work hard not only all week of the festival, but the entire year in preparation for it.

SIGNED IN VISITORS TO SPEAK~ Mr. Camp spoke in regards to the resolution concerning vacating the alleys between his properties and Circle Dr. He is trying to deed three lots into two so his sons can build houses on them. The one alley is all grass. The surveyor cannot do this until the alley is vacated. He also wants part of the street vacated. It dead-ends into a guardrail. He said people often come down that way and get turned around. They get stuck at the guardrail and have to back into his property, often his yard to get turned around to leave.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES~ Mr. Ondera pointed out a Scribner's Error in his name on page 10. The clerk will change Mrs. to Mr. on the original.

Mr. Bopp made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from September 12, 2022 with a second from Mr. Newkirk. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UTILITY ~ No Report

BUDGET & FINANCE~ No Report

POLICE, FIRE, & TRAFFIC~ Mr. Foster said he would like to see a no left turn sign placed at the end of Water St. He said there is a long back up of cars there at certain times of the day with someone trying to turn left and they can't because of traffic on Bridge St. Possibly have the sign for restricted hours, or maybe a light that only works during certain hours.

Chief Hinsch said he doesn't have a definitive opinion on this one. He has seen significant delays. He said they would need to observe at different times of the day and report back. He said they should wait until the roadwork on 93 is complete and the bridge at High St. is finished. These both will contribute to more traffic in that area.

SERVICE COMMITTEE ~No Report

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CITY AUDITOR/ TREASURER~ They are in the middle of the audit. It is going well. Everything this year has been a learning curve. They are looking forward to getting through the current year, and feel they will be back on track.

CITY ATTORNEY~ No Report

FIRE CHIEF~ No Report

POLICE CHIEF ~ Apple Festival was a busy week, but went relatively smoothly. No reports of problems with people blocking the areas in front of their house. Did have to write some tickets and tow some cars for people parking illegally. Liked the ride company. No problems with them last year or this year. Did have over 20 arrests with embezzlement, domestics, & theft. Had several people reported their cars stolen, but they were towed from private lots. The PD worked a lot of overtime. Additional detail to thin staff, when Governor DeWine decided to come for the parade. Short on cars. Not the fault of administration or the PD. Hopefully, will be able to get those when available.

MAYOR~

- ODOT began this morning on 93 on Morton St. They will be continuing through town and part of Broadway and Bridge St. as well. Will take a couple of weeks. They will mill first, then pave, and then stripe.
- There will be no parking downtown on Main St. during this time or the cars will be towed.
- Supposed to start on E. Broadway next week.
- High St. bridge is supposed to be completed by the end of October. Not sure if they will make that date or not.

Questions for the Mayor

- Something has been leaking on West and Mound St. Hole with gravel. Water coming out of it for a couple of months. The mayor was not aware of this, and will look into it.

SERVICE DIRECTOR~ No Report

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCE NO. 48-22

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE CEMETERY FUND – CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Second Reading

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ORDINANCE NO. 49-22

AN ORDINANCE FOR TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND: TRANSFER OUT TO THE CEMETERY FUND: TRANSFER IN AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Second Reading

Mr. Peters asked about the Mayor's comment that the alley had been unimproved. Does this mean it is just grass? The alley between two of the lots is just grass.

RESOLUTION NO. 36-22

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO FILE AN APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM THE FOUNDATION FOR APPALACHIAN OHIO'S COMMUNITY FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

This authorizes the administration to apply for grants.

Mr. Peters 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
Bopp	Yes

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

Foster	Yes
Ondera	Yes
Colby	Yes
Peters	Yes
Newkirk	Yes
Crabtree	Yes
Bopp	Yes

Resolution 36-22 Duly Adopted

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RESOLUTION NO. 37-22

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO FILE AN APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM THE UNITED FUND OF JACKSON COUNTY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

This authorizes the administration to apply for grants.

Mr. Peters 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
Bopp	Yes

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

Foster	Yes
Ondera	Yes
Colby	Yes
Peters	Yes
Newkirk	Yes
Crabtree	Yes
Bopp	Yes

Resolution 37-22 Duly Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 38-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, OHIO APPROVING CHANGE ORDERS AND REALLOCATING THE AMOUNT PAID BY THE CITY TO SOUTHERN OHIO TRENCHING AND EXCAVATING, INC., FOR THE MITCHELL STREET SEWER PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

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

Foster	Yes
Ondera	Yes
Colby	Yes
Peters	Yes
Newkirk	Yes
Crabtree	Yes
Bopp	Yes

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

Foster	Yes
Ondera	Yes
Colby	Yes
Peters	Yes
Newkirk	Yes
Crabtree	Yes
Bopp	Yes

Resolution 38-22 Duly Adopted

CORRESPONDENCE~ None

OLD BUSINESS

- Mr. Peters asked about the Berridge Property situation. Is the city not participating in this project? Mayor Evans said the grant was submitted using the Port Authority. Mr. Peters asked if they do not get the grant is the mitigation project something that the city might take on alone. The mayor said if they do not get approved, he will look into it.
- Mr. Peters said we need to tweak our ordinance regarding street excavation. Chillicothe uses 10% of the project cost for a bond and they hold until 60 days after the project is finished. If everything is good, they release the money back. The repairs look a lot better in Chillicothe than they do here. We need to update our ordinance and possibly align ours with theirs.

NEW BUSINESS

- Sidewalks on South St. are dark and dangerous. Any plans for a project to repair these. Mayor said we are going to continue to repair and replace curbs and sidewalks as we can in the areas that we pave.

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

Meeting Adjourned: 7:50 PM


Cindi Kuhn, Council Clerk


Dan Fulks, President

Date 10-10-22

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