

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL
Minutes From
November 14, 2022
7:00 P.M.
REGULAR SESSION

Jackson City Council met in regular session on Monday, November 14, 2022. The pledge was led by Mr. Foster and the prayer were 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

Mr. Fulks asked to be excused from the meeting after the recognitions. Mr. Peters made the motion, with a second from Mr. Newkirk. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

VISITORS/RECOGNITIONS~ President Fulks recognized Mayor Evans as the winner of an award from the Central Ohio Chapter of the AGA- Advancing Government Accountability. President Fulks presented Mayor Evans with the Excellence in Government Leadership Award. He was given a clock engraved with his name. Mayor Evans was chosen for this award for his excellence in government financial management, outstanding leadership, high ethical standards and innovative management procedures. The award recognizes the cumulative achievements of Mayor Evans, who throughout his career has served as a role model for others and has consistently exhibited the highest personal and professional standards.

SIGNED IN VISITORS TO SPEAK~ Courtney & Associates presented council with an Electric Rate Study and Behind-the-Meter Generator Policy and Procedures. Mr. Swackhammer explained that Mr. Woltz is taking another job at the end of 2022, and they are looking to C & A to take over Mr. Woltz's responsibilities.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES~ Mr. Peters asked for a minor clerical correction to the minutes. Mr. Bopp made a motion to approve the regular minutes from October 24, 2022 with a second from Mr. Crabtree. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UTILITY ~ No Report

BUDGET & FINANCE~ Mrs. Colby scheduled a Budget & Finance meeting for next Monday, November 21st at 6:00PM with a special meeting to follow for the first reading of the Budget.

SERVICE COMMITTEE ~No Report

CITY AUDITOR/ TREASURER~ Still working on the audit. Feels it is going wonderfully.

CITY ATTORNEY~ No Report

FIRE CHIEF~ No Report

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POLICE CHIEF ~ Received a Homeland Security Grant for Region 7. Eleven counties make up this region. The region was awarded \$310,000. Jackson Co Law Enforcement is getting \$123,000 to purchase Tactical Gear.

MAYOR~

- Mitchell to Wood St. Project is underway. Four hundred feet of new sewer installed.
- Mill St. Water and Sewer are ready to be awarded tonight. .
- E. Broadway resurfacing repairs are finished.
- High St. Bridge project is back in progress. They have poured the deck and the steel is set. Should be finished in a few weeks.
- SR 93 & 139 paving is done. Still working on the punch list. .

SERVICE DIRECTOR~

- Because of the lateness of the season when 93/139 was paved, ODOT is keeping the project open to see if anything needs fixed through the winter and spring.
- Greg Farrar the Distribution Collection Superintendent and Ron Aldrich, the Water & Sewer Superintendent are reporting an increase in the amount of grease into the sewer mains. Cdified Ordinance 925.26 & 925.99 contain the information concerning grease in connection with businesses and the penalty for such. He provided Pete with this information for the Telegram.

Mr. Peters asked about the paving on Main St. by the RR tracts, near the separate entrance to Jackson Square. There is a water standing issue there again. If this isn't fixed the paving won't last. Mr. Swackhammer said they had fixed this before the paving, but the paving has leveled it out again causing the standing water. They will address these issues.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCE NO. 57-22

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE PURCHASED POWER AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Second Reading

No further action was taken on this Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 58-22

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE GAS, FUEL & OIL FUND FOR GARBAGE EXPENSES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

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Garbage account needs this for fuel cost. Mr. Reed said there is a bill that needs paid. Mr. Peters asked what the procedures are for buying and paying for the gas. Mr. Reed said he gets an invoice for every gallon of fuel the city uses. The city workers go in and sign when they go to the service station that is set up with us. They get a slip and Mr. Reed's office matches these up with the monthly invoice.

Mr. Ondera made a motion to suspend the rules, with a second from Mr. Newkirk. 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 Ordinance, and the results are as follows:

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

Ordinance 58-22 Duly Adopted

ORDINANCE NO. 59 -22

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING FUND NUMBER 709: WATER CASH RESERVE FUND AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

First Reading

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

Council approved the cash reserve accounts for each of these departments. Now we need to create the line item so we can budget for these for 2023.

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:

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Colby	Yes
Peters	Yes
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Crabtree	Yes
Bopp	Yes

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

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

Ordinance 59-22 Duly Adopted

ORDINANCE NO. 60 -22

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING FUND NUMBER 718: SEWER CASH RESERVE FUND AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

First Reading

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

Mrs. Colby made a motion to suspend the rules, with a second from Mr. Newkirk. 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 Ordinance, and the results are as follows:

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

Ordinance 60-22 Duly Adopted

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ORDINANCE NO. 61 -22

AN ORDINANCE CREATING FUND NUMBER 422: HAMMERTOWN LAKE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

Mr. Swackhammer said we received two grants for improvements at Hammertown Lake. We need to set up these line items to accept the money.

Mr. Ondera made a motion to suspend the rules, with a second from Mr. Bopp. 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 Ordinance, and the results are as follows:

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

Ordinance 61-22 Duly Adopted

ORDINANCE NO. 62 -22

AN ORDINANCE CREATING FUND NUMBER 422: GARBAGE CASH RESERVE FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

Mr. Ondera made a motion to amend the Ordinance to change it from Fund number 422 to 725, with a second from Mr. Crabtree. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

AN ORDINANCE CREATING FUND NUMBER 725: GARBAGE CASH RESERVE FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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Mr. Ondera made a motion to suspend the rules, with a second from Mrs. Colby. 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 Ordinance, and the results are as follows:

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

Ordinance 62-22 Duly Adopted

ORDINANCE NO. 63- 22

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING COURT STREET BETWEEN PORTSMOUTH AND BROADWAY STREETS AS A ONE-WAY STREET

First Reading

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

A resolution was sent to us from the county commissioners making this request. They want to make it one way from Broadway to Portsmouth to add angled parking on both sides and remove the parallel parking. Council members discussed this and asked Chief Hinsch's opinion. He said he thought perhaps the one way should go from Portsmouth to Broadway so to make right hand turns rather than left. But, he would have to research it.

No further action was taken on this Ordinance.

Mr. Ondera made a motion to amend the agenda to add ordinance 64-22. Mr. Newkirk seconded the motion. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

ORDINANCE NO. 64-22

AN ORDINANCE FOR TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM UTILITY DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS FUND TO JUDGMENTS AND CLAIMS FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Mr. Swackhammer said that manhole covers overflow when we get heavy rains. We must self-report these. They are \$2500 per event per manhole. There is not enough money in this account for the remainder of the year.

Mr. Ondera made a motion to suspend the rules, with a second from Mrs. Colby. 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 Ordinance, and the results are as follows:

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

Ordinance 64-22 Duly Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 44-22

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE FROM BRIDGEPORT EQUIPMENT & TOOL OF A JOHN DEERE 5125M POWRQUAD THROUGH THE STATE OF OHIO PURCHASE CONTRACT PROGRAM FOR A PRICE NOT TO EXCEED \$88,749.60 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Second Reading

A new quote was placed in the packets for council. The quote remained the same, but the expiration date was extended to the end of December.

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Mr. Peters made a motion to suspend the rules, with a second from Mrs. Colby. 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 44-22 Duly Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 48-22

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY
TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
AGENCY FOR THE EMERGENCY GENERATOR EQUIPMENT GRANT AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

First Reading

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

Mr. Swackhammer said this allows us to apply for a grant for a Sewer Plant back- up generator.
Mr. Peters said he is aware of the huge fees to rent this.

Mr. Peters made a motion to suspend the rules, with a second from Mr. Newkirk. 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

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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 48-22 Duly Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 49-22

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

This allows us to apply for a grant. We already have ODOT calendar year 2024-2025. This is for 25-26. Must plan well in advance. December 16th is the deadline.

Mr. Ondera made a motion to suspend the rules, with a second from Mr. Bopp. 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

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Resolution 49-22 Duly Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 50-22

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR PAYMENT TO SOUTHERN OHIO TRENCHING AND EXCAVATING PURSUANT TO A "THEN AND NOW" CERTIFICATE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35,314.04 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading

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

Mr. Swackhammer said this is a Then and Now because the Mitchell to Wood Project was a county bid. There were multiple players involved. The city was involved with the CDBG fund. They had the mayor sign off on it before the PO was opened. They now need approval to pay this bill.

Mr. Ondera made a motion to suspend the rules, with a second from Mrs. Colby. 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 50-22 Duly Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 51-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, OHIO TO ACCEPT THE BID OF SOUTHERN OHIO TRENCHING & EXCAVATING, INC., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$475,920.00 FOR THE MILL STREET

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**SEWER PROJECT AS IT WAS THE LOWEST AND BEST RESPONSIVE BID
SUBMITTED AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

First Reading

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

The original copy in the packets had a combined water/sewer bid total. We decided to split so it is easier to track it and have two separate line items for accounting purposes.

Mr. Newkirk made a motion to suspend the rules, with a second from Mrs. Colby. 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 51-22 Duly Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 52-22

**A RESOLUTION OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JACKSON,
OHIO TO ACCEPT THE BID OF SOUTHERN OHIO TRENCHING & EXCAVATING,
INC., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$420,400.00 FOR THE MILL STREET
WATER PROJECT AS IT WAS THE LOWEST AND BEST RESPONSIVE BID
SUBMITTED AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

First Reading

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

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Mr. Newkirk made a motion to suspend the rules, with a second from Mrs. Colby. 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 52-22 Duly Adopted

CORRESPONDENCE~ None

OLD BUSINESS~

- Mr. Peters asked if we were still involved in the Horizon Fiber Project. Mr. Swackhammer said the city met with Horizon in Columbus last winter. He said he did not feel like they were in support of the infrastructure money to reach those un-served. They were using the funds to upgrade those already being served.
- Discussed not broadcasting the meetings on YouTube. Some residents have said they can't be at the meetings because they work, and want to be able to watch it. Some members said if it works to go ahead and broadcast it. Mr. Ondera said he thought we were going to need to spend more money on equipment.
- Mr. Peters asked about feedback on the new 4-way stops. Mostly positive. Just a few negative remarks. Chief Hinsch said people just need to put down their phones and pay attention.

NEW BUSINESS~ None

Mr. Swackhammer discussed the electrical taps needed for Jason Montgomery at 11079 SR 776 Jackson, and Derek Williams at 6030 Jisco West Rd. Jackson. He said it won't cost the city anything to offer the service. The poles are already set up.

Mr. Ondera made a motion to approve these for both individuals. Mr. Newkirk seconded the motion. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Peters made a motion to enter executive session for the purpose” To consider the employment, dismissal, and compensation of a public employee. He asked everyone at the table to stay. Mr. Ondera seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken to go into executive session, and the results are as follows:

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

Motion Carried.

Entered Executive session at 8:57PM

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

Resumed Regular Session at 9:34PM

Mr. Foster made a motion with a second from Mr. Newkirk to adjourn. In a voice vote, all members agreed. Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned 9:34 PM


Cindi Kuhn, Council Clerk


Dan Fulks, President

Date 11/28/22

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