Minutes From
February 26, 2024
7:00 P.M.
REGULAR SESSION

Jackson City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 26, 2024. The pledge was led by Mr. Peters and the prayer was given by Mrs. Colby

President Fulks called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken as follows:

- Mr. Foster -Absent
- Mr. Elliott -- Present
- Mrs. Colby Present
- Mr. Peters Present
- Mr. Newkirk Present
- Mr. Crabtree Present
- Mr. Bopp -- Present

#### VISITORS/RECOGNITIONS: None

SIGNED IN VISITORS TO SPEAK~ Eli Hatfield from High Road Towing spoke against ordinance 08-24 regarding towing for the City of Jackson. He disagrees with the city using only the towing companies within the city first and not using the current rotation. He said he does not pay RITA tax, but feels he brings a lot of revenue to the city and also donates and supports the youth and local businesses. He said if his company meets or exceeds the expectations on response time and quality of service then it should not matter if he is located inside the city limits

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**~ Mr. Peters made a motion, with a second from Mr. Newkirk to approve the regular council meeting minutes from February 12, 2024. In a voice vote, all members agreed.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

UTILITY ~ No Report

BUDGET & FINANCE~ No Report

POLICE, FIRE, & TRAFFIC~ No Report

**SERVICE COMMITTEE**  $\sim$  Reminder there is a Steering Committee Meeting next Monday, March  $4^{th}$  at 6:15PM with the company that is helping us restructure our Zoning Regulations.

CITY AUDITOR/TREASURER~ Res 15-24 Time Keeping Software that will function with our Software. They have had trouble with the current software for years. This will take awhile to completely integrate and will be 2025 before it is up and running.

CITY ATTORNEY~ No Report

FIRE CHIEF~ No Report

#### POLICE CHIEF ~

• PD will be getting a new K-9. She is a 15-month-old Chocolate Lab named Maggie. She is an active drug dog, but very good with kids and people and should be good PR to take her to events.

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#### MAYOR~

- Kerry Ross will be the police officer who will be Maggie's handler. They are getting her April 1<sup>st</sup> and she should be ready by May 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Still looking for seasonal help. Lifeguards and laborers who will primarily be mowing.
- Full time skilled laborer position open in the Street and Alley Department. Will likely be bid on within. This will leave another position open, probably at the Water Distribution Collection Department.
- Next week they will begin the South St. Waterline Project. This runs all along South St. from David Ave to Main St. Door tags were placed on houses today and will be throughout the week. Will also announce on City's WebPage.
- Met with Shane Wilkin our Senate Representative. Still trying to get some money for our projects.

#### SERVICE DIRECTOR~

- Passed out questions for council to consider for the first meeting next week regarding the restructuring of the Zoning Regulations.
- Columbia Gas is almost finished with the Trago St. area.
- Asking council to table Ordinance 08-24 for additional review.
- The Flood Plain Ordinance is in packets for first reading. It was last updated in 2009. He has the old one and the new one and one with the comments regarding changes if anyone wants to look at it before the next reading.

#### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 08-24**

# AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND AMENDING THE CITY OF JACKSON'S CODIFIED ORDINANCE SECTION 303.11 REGARDING TOWING OF VEHICLES BY CITY.

#### **Second Reading**

Mr. Peters said he is concerned with people earning money inside the city and not being charged the RITA tax. If we are paying them with a check from the city, we should be able to withhold the tax.

Mr. Peters made a motion to table Ordinance 08-24, with a second from Mr. Elliott. A roll call vote was taken and the results are as follows:

Foster	Absent
Elliott	Yes
Colby	Yes
Peters	Yes
Newkirk	Yes
Crabtree	Yes
Bopp	Yes

Ordinance 08-24 is tabled.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 09-24**

AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES BY ADOPTING CURRENT REPLACEMENT PAGES THERETO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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#### First Reading

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

These are the updates from the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2023. They include the state and local changes.

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	Absent
Elliott	Yes
Colby	Yes
Peters	Yes
Newkirk	Yes
Crabtree	Yes
Ворр	Yes

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

Foster	Absen
Elliott	Yes
Colby	Yes
Peters	Yes
Newkirk	Yes
Crabtree	Yes
Bopp	Yes

Ordinance 09-24 Duly Adopted

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 10-24**

# AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND AMENDING THE CITY OF JACKSON'S FLOOD DAMAGE REDUCTION REGULATIONS NOW CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 1331 OF THE CITY OF JACKSON CODIFIED ORDINANCES.

#### First Reading

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

This was last updated in 2009. Mr. Swackhammer said he is available if anyone has questions prior to the next meeting.

No further action was taken on this Ordinance.

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#### **ORDINANCE NO. 11-24**

# AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE ORANGE STREET WATER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

#### First Reading

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

There were a couple of ODOT projects that were budgeted for that have finished and closed. That money went back to the 228 fund. They need to re-appropriate that money for this project. Part of the job will be done in house, but will need a contractor for part f it. They have an agreement with an individual with a start date of March, so need to adopt tonight.

Mr. Peters 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:

Elliott Yes Colby Yes Peters Yes Newkirk Yes Crabtree Yes Bopp Yes	Foster	Absent
Peters Yes Newkirk Yes Crabtree Yes	Elliott	Yes
Newkirk Yes Crabtree Yes	Colby	Yes
Crabtree Yes	Peters	Yes
	Newkirk	Yes
Bopp Yes	Crabtree	Yes
	Bopp	Yes

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

Foster	Absent
Elliott	Yes
Colby	Yes
Peters	Yes
Newkirk	Yes
Crabtree	Yes
Bopp	Yes

Ordinance 11-24 Duly Adopted

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 12-24**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RESURFACING PROJECT ON COUNTY ROUTE 505 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

#### First Reading

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

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Needs approved for ODOT work within the city. County Route 505 is Beaver Pike.

Mr. Peters 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	Absent
Elliott	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	Absent
Elliott	Yes
Colby	Yes
Peters	Yes
Newkirk	Yes
Crabtree	Yes
Bopp	Yes

Resolution 12-24 Duly Adopted

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 13-24**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RESURFACING PROJECTS ON STATE ROUTES 139, 766, AND 788 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (amended)

#### First Reading

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

This is ODOT work. Just needs the city to approve it. Mr. Peters said there was a clerical error coming from ODOT. Both the heading and the contract say State Route 766, and it should say 776. Mr. Peters made a motion to amend the Resolution and the contract with a second from Mr. Elliott. In a voice vote, all members agreed. The clerk will make the change.

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	Absent
Elliott	Yes
Colby	Yes
Peters	Yes
Newkirk	Yes

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Crabtree Bopp Yes Yes

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

Foster	Absent
Elliott	Yes
Colby	Yes
Peters	Yes
Newkirk	Yes
Crabtree	Yes
Bopp	Yes

Resolution 13-24 Duly Adopted

#### **RESOLUTION NO 14-24**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION PROGRAM FUNDING FOR DOWNTOWN WATERLINE PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

#### First Reading

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

This is just permission to apply for the grant.

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	Absent
Elliott	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	Absent
Elliott	Yes
Colby	Yes
Peters	Yes
Newkirk	Yes
Crabtree	Yes
Ворр	Yes

Resolution 14-24 Duly Adopted

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#### **RESOLUTION NO. 15-24**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON, OHIO, AND RIGHT STUFF SOFTWARE CORPORATION FOR TIME KEEPING SOFTWARE TO INTEGRATE WITH THE CITY'S CURRENT MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE 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.

Mr. Reed said the city has used the system Kronus for many years to keep time for employees. He said it has several issues and does not integrate well with our system. He wants to move to this new system. He has met with the supervisors and they all agree that this is a better fit. This will take a year to implement. The company will have to build all the pay codes and do other organizational and set up work to get us started.

Council asked if the cost of this system was comparable to what we have currently. Mr. Reed said yes once it is up and running the cost per year is about \$18k similar to Kronus. The first year there are additional costs. The time clock is \$20k and the software is about \$15k.

Mr. Elliott made a motion to suspend the rules with a second from Mrs. Colby.

Mr. Peters asked if we are agreeing to purchase this where is the contract and the cost sheet. Mr. Kirby said there was some information on cost, but it was not attached as part of the Resolution.

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

Foster	Absent
Elliott	No
Colby	No
Peters	No
Newkirk	No
Crabtree	No
Ворр	Yes

No Further Action was Taken on this Resolution. It will be picked up as second reading with additional information at the next meeting.

#### CORRESPONDENCE~ None

**OLD BUSINESS~** None

#### **NEW BUSINESS~**

- Mr. Peters asked which property on the Board of Control Minutes had a tax of \$12,100. Mr. Reed said that was for all the parcels.
- Mr. Bopp asked if the city had received any information from the state on how we are to handle the
  immigrant problems. He was referring to an incident this past Sunday in Georgia. Mr. Swackhammer and
  Mayor Evans said they have not seen anything coming down from the State on guidelines or regulations
  mandating anything.

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Tourism Board Meeting at 9:00AM on March 6<sup>th</sup>.

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

Meeting Adjourned 7:45PM

White Manual Companies Clerk

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