

CITY OF JACKSON, GEORGIA

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 5, 2016**

MINUTES

Present: Mayor Kay Pippin, Councilors Lewis Sims, Ricky Johnson, Don Cook and Beth Weaver

Absent: Councilor Theodore Patterson

Others Present: City Clerk Jeanette Riley and City Attorney Byrd Garland

The City Council of Jackson met in regular session on Tuesday, April 5 2016, in the Municipal Court Building located at 132 S. Mulberry St., Jackson, Ga., the same being open to the public. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Kay Pippin.

The invocation was given by Chief James Morgan.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor welcomed all present.

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Cook/Sims (passed 3-0)

Voting yea- Lewis Sims, Ricky Johnson and Don Cook

Voting nay- none

To approve the amended agenda adding 9(G) Employee Resignation (A copy of the amended agenda is attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part of the file copy of these minutes.)

Public Comments- (Agenda Items)

None

Consent Agenda

Motion: (passed 3-0)

Voting yea- Lewis Sims, Ricky Johnson and Don Cook

Voting nay-none

To approve the consent agenda containing the minutes of the council meeting held on March 16, 2016. (A copy of the regular council meeting minutes is attached hereto as Exhibit B and made a part of the file copy of these minutes.)

Councilor Beth Weaver joined meeting.

Reports and Presentations

Sam Walker, Water/Waste Water Maintenance Superintendent presented a recommendation for the replacement of two major water lines in the city's water infrastructure; the first will completely replace water mains on Henderson, Cherry and McKibben Streets at a cost of \$89,357.60. The second will completely replace water mains on McDonough Road at a cost of \$167,431.85. The proposed McDonough Road project in conjunction with a previous project completed in 2015 on West Avenue will complete improvements and bring all water mains in this area up to date. The City of Jackson will

purchase the materials needed for these projects thus saving the city \$13,430.55. Time frame for completion of both projects will be 90 days. Both projects will be funded from 2012 SPLOST revenues.

Public Hearing

None

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Motion: Johnson/Cook (passed 4-0)

Voting yea- Lewis Sims, Ricky Johnson, Don Cook and Beth Weaver

Voting nay- none.

To approve Construction of two Water Main Replacements as proposed by Superintendent Sam Walker and funded from 2012 SPLOST revenues. (A copy of the job proposals are attached hereto as Exhibit C and made a part of the file copy of these minutes.)

Motion: Cook/Johnson (passed 4-0)

Voting yea- Lewis Sims, Ricky Johnson, Don Cook and Beth Weaver

Voting nay- none

To approve a City Budget Amendment Policy (A copy of the City Budget Amendment Policy is attached hereto as Exhibit D and made a part of the file copy of these minutes.)

Motion: Weaver/Sims (passed 4-0)

Voting yea- Lewis Sims, Ricky Johnson, Don Cook and Beth Weaver

Voting nay-none

To acknowledge receipt of a proposed Filming Procedures Policy to be tabled until and voted on during the Council's next meeting on April 19, 2016 (A copy of the proposed Filming Procedures Policy is attached hereto as Exhibit E and made a part of the file copy of these minutes.)

Motion: Johnson/ Weaver (passed 4-0)

Voting yea- Lewis Sims, Ricky Johnson, Don Cook and Beth Weaver

Voting nay-none

To acknowledge receipt of proposed amendments to the city's Parades & Demonstrations Ordinance and to table same until and vote on during the Council's next meeting on April 19, 2016. (A copy of the proposed Amendments to City of Jackson Parades & Demonstrations Ordinance is attached hereto as Exhibit F and made a part of the file copy of these minutes.)

Motion: Cook/Johnson (passed 4-0)

Voting yea- Lewis Sims, Ricky Johnson, Don Cook and Beth Weaver

Voting nay-none

To acknowledge receipt of proposed amendments to the city's Collection & Disposal Ordinance and to table same until and vote on during the Council's next meeting on April 19, 2016. (A copy of the proposed amendments to the city's Collection & Disposal Ordinance is attached hereto as Exhibit G and made a part of the file copy of these minutes.)

Motion: Cook/Weaver (passed 4-0)

Voting yea- Lewis Sims, Ricky Johnson, Don Cook and Beth Weaver

Voting nay-none

To acknowledge receipt of a new, proposed city Yard Sale Ordinance and to table same until the Council meeting scheduled for May 3, 2016. (A copy of the proposed new Yard Sale Ordinance is attached hereto as Exhibit H and made a part of the file copy of these minutes.)

Motion: Cook/Weaver (passed 4-0)

Voting yea- Lewis Sims, Ricky Johnson, Don Cook and Beth Weaver

Voting nay- none

To accept the resignation of Fadi Habboushi, an officer in the Jackson Police Department. (A copy of the resignation is attached hereto as Exhibit G and made a part of the file copy of these minutes.)

Mayor & Council Reports/Comments:

Mayor Pippin updated the council on the following;

- PSC Hearing held on March 24, 2016; a decision is not expected to be rendered for two months.
- Community Development Block Grant application was by the April 1 deadline; grant recipients will be notified about August 1, 2016. The Mayor informed the Council that whether the grant is received or not, at this time she plans to ask the Council to approve moving forward with the needed sewer infrastructure improvements identified in the engineering report prepared for the grant application. She encouraged each council member to review the engineering report of the Henderson Street area available at city hall.
- The removal of the final debris and the burying of the old swimming pool at the Rolling Green Trailer Park on Brownlee Road is almost completed and the cleaned-off land looks beautiful.
- Mayor referenced an email sent to Councilors earlier outlining plans to appoint a committee to research the concept of preservation of city owned land off Brownlee Road and its possible use. She noted that the email included opportunity for Council members to make recommendations regarding the composition of the committee. No recommendations were made.

Councilor Johnson reminded everyone of opening day at the Butts County Recreation Park on April 9 @ 9 am.

Councilor Cook commended Officers Kevin Hill and April Freeman for their professionalism in their handling of a recent call to a domestic violence incident last week. Mayor Pippin expressed appreciation Chief Morgan, Kevin Hill, April Freeman, and David Akins for what GBI officials reported as accuracy and appropriateness in the handling of the unfortunate situation.

Public Comments:

None

Executive Session:

None

Adjournment:

Motion: Cook/Weaver (passed 4-0)

Voting yea – Lewis Sims, Ricky Johnson, Don Cook and Beth Weaver

Voting nay- none

To adjourn the meeting @ 7:38 p.m.

Kay Pippin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeanette Riley, City Clerk