

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 3, 2015

The Jackson, Tennessee, City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 3, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. in the George A. Smith Meeting Room at City Hall with Mayor Jerry Gist and Councilmembers Charles “Pepper” Bray; Ernest Brooks II; Harvey Buchanan; David Cisco; Scott Conger; Johnny Dodd; Vicky Foote; Charles Rahm; and Randy Wallace present. Also present was Anita Brooks, recorder of the minutes.

Councilmember David Cisco gave the invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the January 6, 2015, meeting were approved and signed.

Mayor Gist extended an invitation for public comment to anyone present who wished to express comments related to any new business item on the meeting agenda.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dan Hoyt, Political Action Chair for the Jackson Madison County NAACP, and Byron Elam, Third Vice President of the Jackson Madison County Branch of the NAACP, thanked Mayor Gist and Jackson Police Interim Chief Julian Wiser for their support and speedy action in pursuing the use of body cameras for the Jackson Police Department. Deputy Chief Barry Michael of the Jackson Police Department stated that the body cameras are in production with Panasonic. Deputy Chief Michael further stated that their hopes are to have demos of the body cameras by March or

April of this year. Deputy Chief Michael also stated that the body cameras will sync directly with the camera equipment that is already in their police cars and there will be no additional cost for the video software. Councilmember Dodd stated that the use of body cameras along with the use of other cameras around the City will be another tool to let people know that city officials are trying to make Jackson a better place to live.

On the motion of Councilmember Brooks, seconded by Councilmember Cisco, unanimous approval was given to a Resolution supporting Governor Bill Haslam's "Insure Tennessee Plan." Councilmember Brooks and Councilmember Cisco expressed their support for the adoption of the Resolution. The resolution was submitted by Councilmember Brooks.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to the transfer of property located at 427 Princeton Street to Aspell Recovery Center. Aspell Recovery Center is a substance abuse treatment rehabilitation center located in Jackson. Richard Barber, executive director of Aspell Recovery Center, advised how the property was going to be used by the center. Councilmember Brooks and Councilmember Conger expressed their appreciation for the services that Aspell Recovery Center provides to the community. Planning Director Stan Pilant explained how the property was acquired by the City and expressed appreciation for having Aspell Recovery Center as a partner in the City's redevelopment efforts.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Brooks, unanimous approval was given to accept Waterdance Cove, Shiloh Springs

and a portion of Zachary Lane in Shiloh Springs Subdivision Section 5A as city streets.

On the motion of Councilmember Brooks, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to accept Living Waters Cove, Living Waters Drive and a portion of Zachary Lane in Shiloh Springs Subdivision Section 6A as city streets.

On the motion of Councilmember Rahm, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to accept Success Cove and portions of Hillside Landing and Hawk Meadow Cove in Traditions Subdivision Sections 5 and 7 as city streets.

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Foote, the re-appointments of Scott Conger, Pam Finney, Bill Douglas, and the appointment of Yolanda “Candy” Savage Campbell to the Municipal Solid Waste Planning Region Board was approved 8-0-1, with Councilmember Conger abstaining.

On the motion of Councilmember Foote, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to the appointment of Mitchell Pigue to the Keep Jackson Beautiful Commission.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Brooks, unanimous approval was given to the following budget amendment requests:

CAPITAL		Current	Amendment	Amended
FUND:		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
315-41811-900	City Hall Building	3,100	1,008	4,108
<i>Revenue:</i>				
315-37900	From Fund Balance	2,141,793	1,008	2,142,801

Funds are needed for a speaker upgrade in the City Council meeting room. This funding is needed for new speakers and cabling to complete this upgrade. This will require a draw on fund balance in the capital fund.

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Cisco, unanimous approval was given to the following budget amendment requests:

GENERAL		Current	Amendment	Amended
FUND:		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Revenue:</i>				
110-31512	Lieu Tax Water	322,098	66,320	388,418
DEBT SERVICE:				
<i>Revenue:</i>				
211-31512	Tax Equivalent Water	66,320	-66,320	0

The \$66,320 was budgeted in error for Water/Sewer account number 211-31512. This amount should have been budgeted in the general fund in account number 110-31512 so requesting transfer from debt service fund to general fund.

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Brooks, unanimous approval was given to the following budget amendment requests:

POLICE DRUG		Current	Amendment	Amended
FUND:		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
141-42129-900	Capital Outlay	46,940	14,600	61,540
<i>Revenue:</i>				
141-37900	From Fund Balance	21,840	14,600	36,440

Funds are needed for additional expenses for drug dogs and instructors certifications that exceeded original budget predictions. In addition, \$8500 in funds are needed for rebuilding/redesigning one of the old jail cells to be used as a storage room for the drug evidence that in the past has been maintained in the vault at the Sheriff's Office but now we are being asked to maintain in our own facility. Shelving is being built, storage bins and cameras/alarms will have to be installed.

Karen Bell, City of Jackson Finance Director, reported that on January 15, 2015, the City of Jackson received \$222,500 from FEMA in relations to the March 3-5, 2014, ice storm in Jackson.

Lsana D'Jahspora, a resident of Jackson, expressed comments regarding the potential use of body cameras by the Jackson Police Department and his concerns for the future of young black people, males especially, who consider making a life in Jackson.

On the motion of Councilmember Bray, seconded by Councilmember Brooks, unanimous approval was given to the payment of invoices over \$10,000.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

JERRY GIST, MAYOR