

**MINUTES**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MARCH 7, 2017**

The Jackson, Tennessee, City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 7, 2017, 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 Harvey Buchanan gave the invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the February 7, 2017, meeting was approved and signed.

Mayor Gist presented a proclamation for Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Tony Black, executive director of the City of Jackson Recreation and Parks Department, introduced Kaycee Lindberg, an intern working in the Recreation and Parks Department, to the Mayor and City Council.

**SECOND READINGS:**

On the motion of Councilmember Rahm, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, an Ordinance to rezone property located at 1694 Hollywood Drive, from RG-1/I-2 General Residential/I-2 (Light Industrial) Districts to O-R (Office Residential) District, containing 2.86 acres, more or less, submitted by Garrett Plumbing and Heating was approved 8-0-1, with Councilmember Wallace abstaining.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Foote, unanimous approval was given to a Resolution to modify the Interlocal Agreement of April 18, 2005, between Madison County, Tennessee, and the City of Jackson, Tennessee.

On the motion of Councilmember Brooks, seconded by Councilmember Bray, a Resolution to revise the City of Jackson Debt Management Policy to reflect the following changes was approved 8-0: (Councilmember Dodd was not present when the City Council voted on this item.)

Variable Rate Debt *(page 4 of Debt Management Policy adopted 12/6/2011)*

Delete “shall not exceed twenty percent (20%) of the City’s total outstanding debt,” and

Total Debt *(page 4 of Debt Management Policy adopted 12/6/2011)*

Change “shall not exceed twenty-three percent (23%)” to “shall not exceed twenty-six percent (26%)”

The consideration of a Resolution to support the Governor’s IMPROVE (Improving Manufacturing Public Roads and Opportunities for Vibrant Economy) Act was postponed.

Mayor Gist stated that a proposed Resolution authorizing One Jackson Action Committee to proceed with a study of implementing a stormwater utility fee was brought before the City Council for consideration by the City’s Budget Committee. Mayor Gist then turned the matter over to Councilmember Wallace who chairs the City’s Budget Committee for further discussion. Councilmember Wallace stated that the Budget Committee was formed to try to prevent the City

from spending more money than it has been taking in and in the process of doing that, the Committee was charged with examining three areas: The City's Debt Service, increasing revenues for the City, and decreasing City expenditures. Councilmember Wallace stated that one expenditure that was noticed by the Committee is the cost for managing the City's stormwater problems. Councilmember Wallace further stated that in the process of discussing the City's stormwater problems, the Committee met with an individual from Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. about doing a feasibility study for how the City would charge a stormwater utility fee to residential and commercial property owners in the City and the company came back with a cost proposal to perform a stormwater utility study that was a little more than he thought it would be. Councilmember Wallace stated that in the Resolution that the Budget Committee is putting forward, he is recommending that the City Council not approve paying for the study and consider authorizing the One Jackson Action Committee to go forward with studying the stormwater problem and the possibility of instigating a stormwater utility fee to cover the stormwater problem. Councilmember Wallace also stated that before a feasibility study is done where the City is paying an outside firm to do the study, he would like to have the matter brought back before the City Council to make sure they want to go forward with it. Councilmember Brooks made a motion to approve a Resolution authorizing the One Jackson Committee to proceed with a study of the City's stormwater problems and the possibility of instigating a stormwater utility fee to cover the City's stormwater problems. Councilmember Conger seconded the motion and the motion carried by a 6-3 vote, with Councilmembers Bray,

Brooks, Conger, Dodd, Foote and Wallace voting yea and Councilmembers Buchanan, Cisco and Rahm voting nay.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, unanimous approval was given to a Resolution approving substantial amendments to the Jackson Community Development's Annual Action Plans 2015-2016 and 2016-2017.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Brooks, unanimous approval was given to the appointment of Bill LaFont and the re-appointments of Linda S. Wood, Carla Burngasser, Jerry Gay and Jerry Woods to the Ned McWherter West Tennessee Cultural Arts Center Advisory Board.

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

On the motion of Councilmember Brooks, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to the appointment of Bart Ross to the Code Advisory and Appeals Board.

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Foote, unanimous approval was given to the appointment of Cathy Clayton to the Health, Educational and Housing Facilities Board.

On the motion of Councilmember Rahm, seconded by Councilmember Wallace, the following appointments to the Mayor's Advisory Council on Domestic and Sexual Violence were approved 8-0-1, with Councilmember Conger abstaining:

LeAnn Naylor  
 Jody Pickens  
 Mary Cole  
 Scott Conger  
 Bryan Carrier  
 David Carothers  
 Nicole Ellis

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

<b>GENERAL</b>		Current	Amendment	Amended
<b>FUND</b>		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
110-41310-111	Mayor - Salaries	267,530.80	(47,762.42)	219,768.38
110-41310-130	Mayor – Fringe Benefits	56,395.56	(19,104.97)	37,290.59
110-41680-111	Risk Management Salaries	156,619.84	(14,151.52)	142,468.32
110-41680-130	Risk Management – Fringe Benefits	51,202.29	(5,660.60)	45,541.69
110-41650-111	Personnel – Salaries	207,094.40	(85,100.52)	121,993.88
110-41650-130	Personnel – Fringe Benefits	63,798.62	(34,040.21)	29,758.41
110-41530-111	Accounting – Salaries	253,488.60	(18,681.59)	234,807.01
110-41530-130	Accounting- Fringe Benefits	96,815.59	(7,470.64)	89,344.95
110-41510-111	Revenue- Salaries	313,137.42	(46,463.67)	266,673.75
110-41510-130	Revenue – Fringe Benefits	113,165.27	(18,585.47)	94,579.80
110-41610-111	Purchasing – Salaries	111,100	(27,138.80)	83,961.20
110-41610-130	Purchasing – Fringe Benefits	36,252.06	(10,855.52)	25,396.54
110-44730-111	Groundskeeping – Salaries	853,948	(77,156.52)	776,791.48
110-44730-130	Groundskeeping – Fringe Benefits	255,158.47	(30,862.61)	224,295.86
110-41640-111	Information Systems - Salaries	402,236.55	(10,303.70)	391,932.85
110-41640-130	Information Sys – Fringe Benefits	170,728.88	(4,121.48)	166,607.40
<i>Revenue:</i>				
110-37900	Fund Balance			
<b>SOLID WASTE</b>				
<b>FUND</b>				
<i>Expenses:</i>				
131-43230-111	H & S – Salaries	1,388,148	194,317.02	1,582,465.02
131-43230-130	H & S – Fringe Benefits	422,909.53	76,526.81	499,436.34
<i>Revenue:</i>				
131-37840	Transfer from Other Funds	0	270,843.83	270,843.83
<b>SPORTSPLEX</b>				
<b>FUND</b>				
<i>Expenses:</i>				
124-44505-111	Sportsplex- Salaries	622,200	135,162.78	757,362.78
124-44505-130	Sportsplex – Fringe Benefits	163,274.23	51,453.63	214,727.86
<i>Revenue:</i>				
124-37841	Transfer from General Fund	0	186,616.41	186,616.41

To transfer direct costs from general fund to Solid Waste Fund and Sportsplex funds for FY17 budget.

Councilmember Buchanan recognized his special guest, his grandson Christopher James Buchanan Love who is the great-grandson of the late former Councilman, James Buchanan.

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

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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JERRY GIST, MAYOR