

**MINUTES**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**APRIL 4, 2017**

The Jackson, Tennessee, City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 4, 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 Scott Conger gave the invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the March 7, 2017, 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.

Mayor Gist proclaimed the week of April 9-15, 2017, as National Public Safety Telecommunicator’s Week and National Library Week and the Month of April 2017 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Mayor Gist also proclaimed Tuesday, April 4, 2017, as Equal Pay Day and Dr. Melvin Wright Day.

Mayor Gist announced that if there were no objections from the City Council, representatives from the Jackson Arts Council will give a presentation. There being no objections from the City Council, Brad Little, President of the Jackson Arts Council Board of Directors, and Melinda Hearn, executive director of the Jackson Arts Council, came forward and expressed their appreciation to the Mayor and City Council for the City’s support of the Arts on behalf of the Jackson Arts Council Board of Directors. Mr.

Little recognized supporters from the Arts community, members of the Jackson Arts Council Board of Directors and members of the Arts coalition who were in the audience and Ms. Hearn expressed how the City's support has impacted the Arts by way of grants in the Jackson-Madison County community. Councilmember Foote stated that she loves serving as the City's liaison to the Jackson Arts Council Board of Directors. Councilmember Foote also stated that productions made by the Arts groups have greatly enriched her life and the lives of her family members.

**FIRST READINGS:**

This being the time and place advertised for a public hearing to consider the adoption of an Ordinance to amend the text of the City Zoning Ordinance, Article VI, Regulations Applying to Specific, to Several, or to all Districts, Section 2. Fences, Walls, and Hedges, Mayor Gist declared the public hearing open. Mayor Gist then asked if anyone wished to speak in support of or in opposition to the passage of the ordinance. There being no one present to speak in opposition to or in support of the passage of the ordinance, Mayor Gist declared the public hearing closed. On the motion of Councilmember Brooks, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, the ordinance was unanimously approved.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Foote, unanimous approval was given to a contract with Delta Contracting Company in the amount of \$1,302,078.75 for the street resurfacing project, lowest and best bid received, based upon unit pricing. Councilmember Buchanan asked for the names of streets that are to be resurfaced in the City Council districts. City Engineer Scott Chandler said he

will e-mail a list of the streets included in the resurfacing project to members of the City Council.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, unanimous approval was given to the surplus property sale of the following City owned property to REB Holdings for the cash amount of \$30,000.00, subject property having been published by Public Notice 10 days prior to the sale with no counter offers received:

***Building at 241 E. Deaderick, Map 078J A Parcel 20 and Unimproved Lot at 458 N. Royal, Map 078J A Parcel 31***

Councilmember Rahm asked City Recorder Alan Laffoon where the proceeds from the sale will be directed. Mr. Laffoon stated that the proceeds from the sale will go directly into the City's general fund balance. Councilmember Brooks asked Mr. Laffoon if an appraisal was done on the property and if so, when was it done. Mr. Laffoon stated that there is an appraisal of \$260,000 on record which he did not understand and that 2014 would have been the last Assessor's appraisal. Mr. Laffoon further stated that he think it would have been a hard sell to get that kind of money for the property with the liability the person buying it would assume with those tanks on the property. Mayor Gist stated that the City offered the property for sale but did not have a lot of takers other than the party who made the offer.

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

<b>CAPITAL</b>		Current	Amendment	Amended
<b>FUND:</b>		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
315-41111-900	City Council	9,567	23,000	32,567
<i>Revenue:</i>				
315-36350	Insurance Recoveries		23,000	23,000

Insurance Recovery was originally deposited into the Insurance Recoveries account in the General Fund. We will be moving this to the capital fund insurance recoveries account to cover this purchase for laserfische licenses for imaging needed by both City Council and Planning Departments.

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

<b>CAPITAL</b>		Current	Amendment	Amended
<b>FUND:</b>		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
315-42185-900	Police SWAT	33,500	25,019.00	58,519
<i>Revenue:</i>				
315-36963	Transfer from Police Drug Fund		25,019.00	25,019.00
<b>DRUG FUND:</b>				
<i>Revenue:</i>				
141-37900	From Fund Balance	56,627.30	25,019.00	81,646.30
<i>Expenses:</i>				
141-42129-765	Transfer to Capital Fund		25,019.00	25,019.00

A transfer of \$25,019.00 will be transferred from the Police Drug Fund to the Capital Outlay fund to cover the purchase of 25 new pistols (\$10,225) and 25 new shotguns (\$14,794) for new hires.

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Rahm, 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>				
110-42122-262	Aviation – Repair & Maintenance	83,000	18,900	101,900
<i>Revenue:</i>				
110-36964	Transfer from Police Drug Fund		18,900	18,900
<b>DRUG FUND:</b>				
<i>Revenue:</i>				
141-37900	From Fund Balance	81,646.30	18,900	100,546.30
<i>Expenses:</i>				
141-42129-760	Transfer to General Fund		18,900	18,900

A transfer of \$18,900 will be made from the Police Drug Fund to General Fund to paint one of the orange/white helicopters to match the current Police Department paint scheme.

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

<b>CAPITAL</b>		Current	Amendment	Amended
<b>FUND:</b>		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
315-42155-900	Police Support	453,000	255,000	708,000
<i>Revenue:</i>				
315-36350	Insurance Recoveries		255,000	255,000

Insurance Recovery was originally deposited into the Insurance Recoveries account in the General Fund. We will be moving this to the capital fund insurance recoveries account to cover this purchase for additional/replacement police vehicles.

On the motion of Councilmember Bray, seconded by Councilmember Cisco, 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