

Minutes of the Town of Jonesboro Board of Aldermen
Regular Scheduled Meeting
Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Regular Scheduled Meeting was called to order by Mayor Thompson at 6:00 p.m. Present were the following council members: Siadek, Stringer, Ginn, and Flowers. Johnson was absent. A quorum was present.

Invocation: Siadek

Pledge: Stringer

Addendums: A motion was made by Stringer to add Executive session-Public Works Employee, Resolution 2021-011, Resolution 2021-012, Ordinance 2021-006, Attorney General Opinion, and put James Bradford-Boys and Girls Club before Mayor's Update, seconded by Siadek. Motion carried.

Mobile Home-603 Dewey St.: Correction to the address- 601 Dewey St. No action was needed for this mobile home.

Public Comments: No comments were made.

May Bills: Ginn made a motion to approve May bills, seconded by Flowers. There was some discussion regarding the AT&T and Entergy Bill. Motion carried.

May Financials: Stringer made a motion to accept the May financials, seconded by Flowers. Comments were made about the Sales Tax being up for the year and regarding Property Tax. Motion carried.

May Minutes: Flowers made a motion to approve May's minutes, seconded by Stringer. Motion carried.

Operation Clean-Up: The Jackson Parish Police Jury put together a "Clean-up day" set for June 12, 2021.

Tax Collector Position: Stringer asked if the Mayor was looking into filling the Tax Collector position and if he had any recommendations for the Council. The Mayor stated he did not have any recommendations at this time due to budget restraints and he would have one within the next sixty days due to being out of tax season to save money for the Town. Stringer made a recommendation that the Police Chief would take the Tax Collector Position. The Mayor said he was not able to make a recommendation. Stringer asked the Town's Attorney to get an AG Opinion regarding this matter.

Ordinance 2021-006 Tax Collector Pay: Flowers introduced Ordinance 2021-006 Tax Collector Pay and set the public hearing for July 13, 2021 at 5:30 P.M.

Department Head Reports: Police Chief Harris, Fire Chief Brown, and Public Works Director Mr. Wortham gave council their reports regarding the departments. Stringer made a motion to accept all Department Head Reports, seconded by Siadek. Motion carried.

Resolution 2021-011 Government Capitol: Flowers motion to adopt Resolution 2021-011 Government Capitol, there was no second. Motion died due to lack of second.

Resolution 2021-012 Speed Bumps: Stringer made a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-012 Speed Bumps which would allow the Housing Authority to place speed bumps on the Town's streets within the Housing Authority, seconded by Ginn. A vote was as follows: Ginn-No, Siadek-Yes, Stringer-No, Flowers-No. Resolution 2021-012 Speed Bumps was not adopted.

Resolution 2021-010 DMV: Stringer made a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-010 DMV, seconded by Flowers. Motion carried.

James Bradford- Boys & Girls Club: Mr. Bradford expressed his concerns to the Council regarding the lease agreement The Town entered into with the Boys and Girls Club during the May 2021 meeting. He further asked the Council to reconsider the agreement. The Boys and Girls Club lease agreement will be placed on the July 2021 agenda for further discussion and possibility of a new vote.

Mayor's Update: "We are very, very excited about the progress the Town is making."

Legislative Auditor Letter: Mayor Thompson read the letter from the Legislative Auditor and discussed the action the Town will be taking to ensure it stays off the non-compliance list. Stringer made a motion to appoint Ginn as the overseer of the Town's corrective action plan, seconded by Siadek. Motion carried.

CPA Engagement Letter: Ginn made a motion to accept the engagement letter from Kenneth Folden, CPA, seconded by Siadek.

Ordinance 2021-002 General: Ginn made a motion to amend Ordinance 2021-002 General , seconded by Siadek. The council voted: Ginn-Yes, Siadek-Yes, Stringer-Yes, Flowers-No. Motion carried. The amendments are as follows:

- Legislative: -\$1,500.00
- Financial & Admin: -\$85,280.00
- Police: \$39,952.00
- Streets: \$27,440

Ginn made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-002 General with the amendments, seconded by Siadek. The council voted: Ginn-Yes, Siadek-Yes, Stringer-Yes, Flowers-No. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2021-003 Water: Ginn made a motion to amend Ordinance 2021-003 Water seconded by Siadek. The council voted: Ginn-Yes, Siadek-Yes, Stringer-Yes, Flowers-No. Motion carried. The amendments are as follows:

- \$ 44,760.00 added

Ginn made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-003 Water with the amendments, seconded by Siadek. The council voted: Ginn-Yes, Siadek-Yes, Stringer-Yes, Flowers-No. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2021-004 Sewer: Ginn made a motion to amend Ordinance 2021-004 Sewer, seconded by Siadek. The council voted: Ginn-Yes, Siadek-Yes, Stringer-Yes, Flowers-No. Motion carried. The amendments are as follows:

- \$ 34,760.00

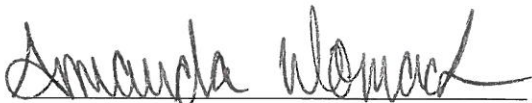
Ginn made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-004 Sewer with the amendments, seconded by Siadek. The council voted: Ginn-Yes, Siadek-Yes, Stringer-Yes, Flowers-No. Motion carried.


Executive Session: No executive session was held.

Council Comments were heard by Siadek, Stringer, Ginn & Flowers.

Mayor Comments were heard by Mayor Thompson.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Flowers. Seconded by Siadek. Motion carried.


Amanda Womack, Town Clerk


Leslie Thompson, Mayor