

MINUTES
SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 24, 2025

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas, met on April 24, 2025, with the following members present to wit:

Mayor Anderson M. Land, Jr

Council Member DeMarcus Holmes

Council Member Angel McCroskey

Council Member Ronald Sample

Council Member Lequin Hilderbrand

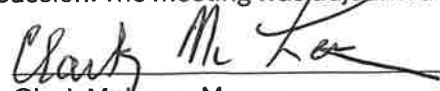
City Manager Greg Kelley

City Secretary Liz Jarrell

Mayor Anderson Land called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and Mr. Rodney Norsworthy opened it with prayer. All the members were present. Council Member DeMarcus Holmes and City Attorney Billy Morian III were present via video conference. Mayor Land asked for public comments, and there was one. Mr. Danny Walker (Jasper Economic Development Corporation President) clarified a statement he made at the recent JEDCO meeting. Mr. Walker stated he did not ask City Attorney Billy Morian for the information in the legal opinion of the hired JEDCO attorney, Frank Garza. Mr. Walker stated that Mr. Morian did not give him any information regarding the opinion. Mr. Walker stated that JEDCO had no legal opinion about not having meetings. Still, JEDCO was trying to get along with the city council during the audit process, so JEDCO did not have meetings.

Council Member Angel McCroskey made a motion to discuss the Memorandum from Attorney Frank J. Garza, Trolino, Ream & Garza, PC. Council Member Ronald Sample seconded it. Council Member Angel McCroskey stated that it had previously been stated that this matter needed to be discussed in an executive session by City Attorney Billy Morian. Much discussion was made. Council Member Lequin Hilderbrand stated that the City Council never shut JEDCO down. Much discussion was made. A roll call vote was made, and all council members voted aye.

Council Member Angel McCroskey made a motion to discuss and potentially voting on the removal and appointment of directors to the Jasper Economic Development Corporation (JEDCO). Council Member Ronald Sample seconded it. After much discussion, Council Member McCroskey motioned to remove Anderson Land, Ann-Marie Limbrick, Bill Snelson, Charles Warren, Chris Lanier, Danny Walker, Larry Brown, Ky Griffin, Marvin McDonald, Sid Stover, Tressy Morgan, Willie King, and Lequin Hilderbrand; and to appoint the following: Terrya Norsworthy, Tamela Parks, Tena Wright, Steven Martinez, James Gunter, and Derek Clotiaux while Ronald Sample and Jenn Miranda stay on the board. After a roll call vote, Council Members McCroskey and Sample voted in favor. Council Members Lequin Hilderbrand and DeMarcus Holmes voted against the motion. Mayor Land broke the 2-2 tie and voted no. The motion did not pass. No comments were made during the council time discussion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:16 pm.


Clark McLane, Mayor

Attest:


Liz Jarrell, City Secretary