

MINUTES
REGULAR CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 8, 2024

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas met on January 8, 2024 with the following members present to wit:

Anderson M. Land, Jr.....Mayor
Marcus Barber.....Council Member
Ronald Sample.....Council Member
David Shultz.....Council Member
Rashad Lewis.....Council Member

Denise Kelley.....City Manager / Finance Director
Robbie Peek.....City Secretary / Assistant Finance Director

Members Absent: DeMarcus Holmes.....Council Member

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Anderson Land at 6:00PM and opened with prayer by Mr. Ben Hancock. All Council Members were present to wit except for absent Council Member DeMarcus Holmes.

Mayor Land asked for questions or comments regarding departmental reports. There were none. Mayor Land asked for Public Comments. There were none.

Motion was made by Council Member Ronald Sample to approve two (2) sets of minutes: Regular Called City Council Meeting December 11, 2023 and Special Called City Council Meeting December 18, 2023. Second by Council Member David Shultz. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Council Member Rashad Lewis to approve Resolution #3009 authorizing the Jasper Economic Development Corporation to utilize 4A tax revenue on a 4B project for economic development purposes. Motion by Council Member Marcus Barber. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Council Member Ronald Sample to award construction contract for TDA grant CDV21-0281 Sewer Improvements Project to Horton Excavating of Lufkin, TX to include the Base Bid Part 1 and Alternate Bid Part 2 in the amount of \$253,827.50. Second by David Shultz. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Council Member David Shultz to award construction contract for GLO grant 19-076-047-B700 Sandy Creek Drainage Relief Project to Solid Bridge Construction in the amount of \$1,114,458.00. Second by Council Member Ronald Sample. Motion carried unanimously.

An update on GLO grant 22-085-022-D263 Street Project was given by Jacob Tiemann of Goodwin-Lasiter-Strong Engineering Firm. Mr. Tiemann indicated that Texas Materials is currently 160 days into their 440 day contract and has completed improvements on several roads and drainage structures to date. He discussed two change orders executed within the project regarding the A&L subdivision. In summary, Texas Materials will continue work on South Fletcher and A&L Subdivision and begin work on the Verna St. box culvert and Bevil Loop drainage throughout the remainder of this month.

Motion by Council Member David Shultz to approve contractor C4 Land Management for demolition of structure at ¹⁰²990 W. Verna St. under CDBG Buyout Program Project 20-066-031-C225. Second by Council Member Ronald Sample. Motion carried unanimously.



Motion was made by Council Member David Shultz to approve the Order of General Election for May 4, 2024; Notice of Election for May 4, 2024; Date for Canvassing May 4, 2024 Election set for May 7, 2024; Interlocal Government Agreement between the City of Jasper and Jasper Independent School District to conduct a joint election on May 4, 2024; and Interlocal Government Agreement between Jasper County and City of Jasper for the May 4, 2024 Election. Second by Council Member Ronald Sample. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Council Member David Shultz to approve Interlocal Government Contract between Jasper Independent School District and City of Jasper to authorize use of JISD buses to transport citizens to and from designated community events. Second by Council Member Ronald Sample. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Council Member David Shultz to approve allowing City Staff to advertise for acceptance of sealed bids for the sale of City property located at 150 W. Houston St. Second by Council Member Ronald Sample. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Council Member David Shultz to approve a variance request regarding setback requirements in the placement of a manufactured home at 234 Hursey St. Second by Council Member Ronald Sample. Motion passed unanimously.

CLOSED AND OPEN SESSIONS:

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION – Mayor Land stated, Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551 Sections listed below; the City Council will convene in closed executive session regarding the following matters:

551.071 Consultation with attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation; and 551.072 Deliberations about Real Property. Time being 6:25 PM.

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION: Mayor Land reconvened into open session at 6:39PM and asked for any actions from the executive session.

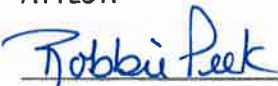
Regarding Texas Government Code 551 Section 551.071 – Motion by Council Member David Shultz to acquire the services of consultant Steve Moffitt of SEnergy and attorney Craig Bennett in response to petition filed with the Public Utilities Commission. Second by Ronald Sample. Motion carried unanimously.

Regarding Texas Government Code 551 Section 551.072 – Motion by Council Member David Shultz to proceed with the acquisition of the Winnie Cunningham Estate property. Second by Ronald Sample. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, Mayor Land adjourned the meeting at 6:44PM.


Anderson M. Land, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:


Robbie Peek, City Secretary