MINUTES SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING MAY 12, 2025

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas, met on May 12, 2025, with the following members present to wit:

Mayor Clark McLane Council Member Mamie Horn Council Member Bob Mayhar Council Member DeMarcus Holmes Council Member Angel McCroskey Council Member Lequin Hilderbrand

City Manager Greg Kelley

City Secretary Liz Jarrell

Mayor Clark McLane called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and Council Member Lequin Hilderbrand opened it with prayer. All the members were present. There were two public comments. Tena Wright and Steven Martinez voiced their concerns about the Jasper Economic Development Corporation (JEDCO).

Mayor Clark McLane then proceeded to the agenda item. The item for discussion and/or action was to remove/appoint board members to the Jasper Economic Development Corporation (JEDCO). Mayor McLane suggested that each council member select one person to appoint to the board and go down the line until the board reached 15 or 17 members, whichever was decided on. Council Member Lequin Hilderbrand stated the first step should be to decide on a 15 or 17-member board. Council member Hilderbrand stated there should be a discussion on how the appointments would be made/chosen. Council Member Hilderbrand would like to keep 7 or 8 of the current board members on the board with all the open files JEDCO currently has. Council Member Hilderbrand would like a 17-member board with two ex-officio nonvoting members, the city manager and the city mayor. Council Member Angel McCroskey questioned the mayor about choosing the board. After much discussion regarding a previous opinion the city received, council member Mamie Horn made a motion to have a workshop before the next regular called council meeting to give her more time to prepare to discuss the board for the Jasper Economic Development Corporation. Council Member Angel McCroskey seconded the motion. Council Member Bob Mayhar, as a candidate, explained that the list of prospective JEDCO board members was made according to the research, and that was done. Council Members Mamie Horn, DeMarcus Holmes, Angel McCroskey, and Lequin Hilderbrand voted for. Council Member Bob mayhar voted against. The motion passed 4-1. Council Member Lequin Hilderbrand made a motion to adjourn at 6:20 pm.

Clark McLane, Mayor

Attest:

Liz Jarrell, City Secretary