

UNOFFICIAL NOTES FOR MINUTE BOOK  
Special Called City Council Meeting  
March 3, 2022

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas met on March 3, 2022 with the following City Council Members present to wit:

Randy Sayers.....Mayor (Absent)  
Anderson Land, Jr. ....Council Member Dist. 1  
Michael Daniel.....Council Member Dist. 2 (Absent)  
DeMarcus Holmes.....Council Member Dist. 3  
David Shultz.....Council Member Dist. 4 (Absent)  
Laura Golden.....Council Member At-Large/Mayor Pro-Tem (Absent)

Denise Kelley.....City Manager/Finance Director  
Karen Pumphrey.....City Secretary

The Special Called Council Meeting was cancelled at 6:05 p.m. and could not take place due to lack of a quorum. Council Members present were Anderson Land and DeMarcus Holmes. Mayor Sayers was absent along with Council Members Michael Daniel, David Shultz and Laura Golden.



Karen Pumphrey, City Secretary

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**March 14, 2022**

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas met on March 14, 2022 with the following members present to wit:

- Randy Sayers.....Mayor
- Anderson M. Land, Jr.....Council Member Dist. 1
- Michael Daniel.....Council Member Dist. 2
- DeMarcus Holmes.....Council Member Dist. 3
- David Shultz.....Council Member Dist. 4
- Laura Golden.....Council Member At-Large/Mayor Pro-Tem
  
- Denise Kelley.....City Manager / Finance Director
- Karen Pumphrey.....City Secretary

The Regular Called City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Randy Sayers at 6:00 PM. Mr. Raymond Hopson gave the opening prayer. All City Council members were present for the meeting.

Mayor Sayers gave the reading for a Proclamation, American Red Cross Month.

Mayor Sayers asked for questions or comments on departmental reports. None were made.

Mayor Sayers asked for Public Comments. The following were made:

1. Mrs. Hazel Johnson – Gave her opinion of how negatively the broadband project has been handled. The integrity that all council members and mayors should uphold to, and her disappointment in Council Members Michael Daniel, David Shultz and Mayor Randy Sayers.
2. Mr. Jay Sharp – Stated all elected officials should be held accountable for their actions.
3. Mr. Mike Lout – Voiced his opinion of the broadband project and how it was not positive for the city residents and the declining population and how council should be held responsible for their actions.
4. Mr. Rodney Norsworthy – Stated Mayor Sayers needs to be held accountable for his actions and the broadband project has been handled in a shady way and its not right to the citizens of Jasper.
5. Mrs. Debby Foster – Spoke against the broadband, council members need to be held accountable for their actions and the shady meetings behind doors, and how Mayor Sayers needs to be held accountable for his verbal curse words and actions towards her and should step down as the City Mayor.

Motion by Council Member David Shultz to approve the following minutes:  
Special Called City Council Meeting and Workshop, February 10, 2022  
Regulate Called City Council Meeting, February 14, 2022 with noted correction to add 1730 South Wheeler to Mrs. Laura Goldens question to Code Enforcement regarding departmental reports.  
Second by Council Member DeMarcus Holmes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Laura Golden to approve Code Enforcements request for a Variance @ 824 Hickory Lane. Second by Council Member Michael Daniel. Council Member Anderson Land asked for more details from Code Enforcement and his questions were answered. All Council Members voted in favor of approving the Variance and Council Member Anderson Land abstained from voting. Motion carried.

Motion by Council Member Anderson Land to approve the donation of past Mayor and Council photos to the Jasper Historical Museum and to place them in a nice photo album before doing so and only keeping photos of current Council and Mayor on the Council Room wall. Second by Council Member David Shultz. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member David Shultz to approve appointing election judges for the May 7, 2022 City Municipal Election. Second by Council Member Laura Golden. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Anderson Land to approve the bid received from Barricades Unlimited in the amount of \$885,000.00 via Goodwin-Lasiter, Inc. for the City-Wide Street Sign Replacement Project and for the funds to come from the SRMPA Cambridge Funds. Second by Council Member David Shultz. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Laura Golden to approve the Interlocal Agreement for GLO Flood Buyout Property Transfers between the City of Jasper and Jasper County. Second by Council Member David Shultz. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Anderson Land to approve the bid received from Bright Star Solutions (Bid on file in the amount of \$1,120,400.00) Second by Council Member DeMarcus Holmes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Laura Golden to TABLE appointing someone to the South East Texas Regional Planning Committee until after the City Election giving any new members a chance to be on the seat if they wish to. Second by Council Member David Shultz. Council Member DeMarcus Holmes made a Motion to amend Laura Golden's Motion to nominate Anderson Land to the committee. Second was made by Council Member Anderson Land. Mayor Sayers asked council for a vote. Those voting in favor of the motion to Table this item until after the city election were Council Members Michael Daniel, David Shultz, and Laura Golden. Mayor Sayers asked for those voting opposed to the motion and Council Member Anderson Land and DeMarcus Holmes voted opposed. Mayor Sayers stated a vote of (3) for and (2) opposed. Mayor Sayers asked for those voting in favor of the amended motion to nominate Anderson Land to the committee. Those voting in favor were Council Members Anderson Land and DeMarcus Holmes and those voting opposed were Council Members Michael Daniel, David Shultz, and Laura Golden. Mayor Sayers announced a vote of 3 for and 2 opposed. The measure passes in favor of the motion to Table this item until after the city election.

Motion by Council Member David Shultz to approve granting the authorization for David Waxman's office to bid the Sandy Creek debris removal portion of the 2016 Flood Grant 19-076-047-B700. Second by Council Member Laura Golden. Motion carried unanimously.

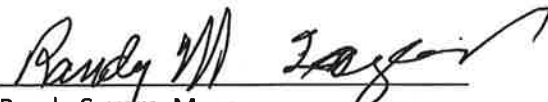
Motion by Council Member David Shultz to grant authorization for David Waxman's office to procure an Appraiser and a Review Appraiser for the acquisition of property for the detention pond project portion of the 2016 Flood Grant 19-076-047-B77. Second by Council Member Michael Daniel. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Anderson Land to approve amending the Administration Contract for the GLO-MIT Street Improvements Project 22-065-022D263. Second by Council Member David Shultz. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Anderson Land to postpone signing on the contract with Kramer Services Group indefinitely. Second by Council Member DeMarcus Holmes. Council Member Laura Golden requested a discussion and stated she felt it should be tabled for a while because the citizens of Jasper deserve more time to ask questions about this project. There is a lot of misunderstand about this project and we as a council can do better. Council Member Anderson Land stated he agreed and stated postponing indefinitely did not mean that council could not bring it back up some time in the future. Council Member Laura Golden thanked Anderson for his clarification to his motion. Mayor Sayers asked for a motion in favor of Tabling indefinitely. Council Members Anderson Land, Laura Golden and DeMarcus Holmes voted in favor. Council Members Michael Daniel and David Shultz voted opposed. Mayor Sayers stated a vote of 3 for and 2 against. The measure passes in favor of postponing indefinitely.

Motion by Council Member Michael Daniel to confirm anything tied to the Broadband Project financially is to come from the SRMPA Cambridge Funds. Second by Council Member Anderson Land. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Sayers adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

  
Randy Sayers, Mayor

Attest:

  
Karen Pumphrey, City Secretary