

City of Jasper, Florida
208 West Hatley Street
Monthly Council Meeting
AUGUST 12, 2019, 6:00 P.M.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Jay Daigle at 6:00pm, with full a Council present: Mayor Darnell Lumpkin, William Mitchell V, Gerald Lewis, and LaBarfield Bryant, also present Marcus Collins, City Manager, Rhett Bullard, City Attorney, Patricia Herring, Acting Deputy Clerk.

Invocation given by Mr. Calvin Deas, Mr. Darnell Lumpkin, led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Order of Business: Approval or modification of Agenda Items:

Jay Daigle, Chair Motioned to move item (#11) Sale and Surplus Items to be given during item (#7), along with the Fire Chief report. Motioned by Mr. Mitchell V, Second by Mr. Bryant, All in favor.

Approval of July Council Meeting minutes, motioned by Mr. Lumpkin, second by Mr. Bryant., All in favor.

Approval of Minutes - Special Meeting Millage Rate FY2019 - 2020, motioned by Mr. Bryant, second by Mr. Lumpkin, All in favor.

Approval of Check's #38914 - 39011, motion made by Mr. Lumpkin, second by Mr. Mitchell V, all in favor.

Persons to appear: NONE

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Collins, stated he would like to add North Florida Professional Service, Inc. to the City list of Engineers. Motion made by Mr. Bryant, second by Mr. Mitchell V, all in favor.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS: Mr. Daigle, introduced our new Public Works Director, Mr. Greg St. John.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: Some points of interest, we are moving toward Central Avenue upgrade to include adding lighting, curbing, placing benches, trash cans. It will start with NW 3rd and move down as far as we have the resources to make that happen preferably past MLK. We will be paving several streets here in town in the near future. We will be doing some Sewer Plant upgrades that have been submitted to DEP to include some modification to the Plant Lift Stations, some future Water Plant upgrades or modifications to the Aerators. We will start installing the new Water Meters approximately January 2020, according to the CDBG Grant.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Margaret Harper presented the Financial Report for the month of July.

POLICE CHIEF:

Jeff McGuire, stated the report for July were **(280)** calls of service, **(31)** Written Reports to include **(1)** Motor Vehicle Theft, **(1)** Burglary, **(3)** Battery, **(5)** Theft and **(1)** Criminal Mischief and **(14)** arrests.

FIRE CHIEF

Josh Waters, Fire Chief, stated the report for July were **(27)** calls of service, **(7)** vehicle wrecks, **(1)** Semi on Fire, **(2)** extrications, **(2)** Down power lines. The bulk of our calls are 49% **(11)** were inside the City and 59% **(16)** were out in the County.

Josh, also gave a report on the Sale of Surplus items which are being sold on the website Gov.deals.com. He gave a handout with a list of items to be sold and scrapped and asked for the approval of the Council to declare everything listed as Surplus in order to proceed with the sale. The highlighted items were asked to be approved as scrap and to get a scrap company to come in and remove them. We've sold (26) items thus far with a total of \$21,596.00 received. We have (17) more items to be listed on the website for sale. It was motioned by Mr. Mitchell V, second by Mr. Bryant, to approve the highlighted items as surplus. All in favor. The Council also approved the following items (dumpster and bleachers) to be sold as scrap. It was motioned by Mr. Mitchell V, second by Mr. Bryant, All in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

City Attorney: Rhett Bullard, read Ordinance #19-07-01; Land Development/Flood Regulations in its entirety. Motioned by Mr. Mitchell V, Second by Mr. Bryant, All in favor.

Reading and adoption of Resolutions DEO-CDBG GRANT by title only.

19-08-01, AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN: Motioned by Mr. Bryant, Second by Mr. Lumpkin, All in Favor.

19-08-03, CDBG PROCURMENT PLAN: Motioned by Mr. Bryant V., Second by Mr. Mitchell V, All in Favor.

19-08-04, ANTI DISPLACEMENT/RELOCATION POLICY: Motioned by Mr. Mitchell V, Second by Mr. Bryant, All in Favor.

19-08-05, CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN: Motioned by Mr. Bryant, Second by Mr. Mitchell V, All in Favor.

19-08-06, CITIZEN COMPLAINT POLICY: Motioned by Mr. Mitchell V, Second by Mr. Bryant, All in Favor.

19-08-07, EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Motioned by Mr. Mitchell V, Second by Mr. Bryant, All in Favor.

19-08-08, SECTION 906 PUBLIC LAW POLICY: Motioned by Mr. Mitchell V, Second by Mr. Bryant, All in Favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mrs. Sarah Higginbotham of 1005 SE 2nd Avenue Jasper, Florida, submitted a request to speak to the Council and states, "one thing that really concerns me right now is the cooperation between the Schools and the City itself. It seems like there is no connection. When the School asks that we turn our city red (**wear red on Friday**) there is no cooperation. It concerns me right now when the opposing teams have more supporters than our home team. I will be attending the School Board Meeting and will ask if someone from the School Board can come to the next City Council meeting to speak to the Council about support between the School and the City. We need to make some changes, it seems there's no home town advantage and that bothers me a lot".

"Another thing that concerns me is that at the end of the meeting the Council doesn't have any comments and I'm wondering if you haven't had a chance to view what's going on in your district, because we still have these houses that are grown up and it looks tacky and messy and you can't be satisfied. We seem to have lost concern and the need to impress. How can we show pride in a city that is not clean, we need to do something. I thought about the commercial where the little girl asked "What does the Dishwasher do?" My concern is what does the Council do, what can, and what will you do to improve this situation? When you say no comment, what does that mean, that you haven't looked around in your area?"

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mr. Lewis, stated we do have a lot to do, we have to educate and support our School and do better, I agree with you and I see things going forward.

Mr. Bryant said we are working on cleanliness in my District, there are some houses grown up but we are working on it.

Mr. Daigle stated when he has an issue with something in his District, he has already talked with Mr. Collins about it and let him handle it in private and not call anyone out in the meeting.

Mr. Mitchell V agreed with Mr. Daigle.

METING ADJOURNED AT 8:01 P.M.

First public hearing for Millage Rate Hearing is scheduled for September 9, 2019, 5:05 pm

Regular Council Meeting is at 6:00 pm on September 9, 2019.

Final Reading for Budget Millage Hearing September 23, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.