

City of Jasper, Florida
208 West Hatley Street
Monthly Council Meeting
June 10, 2019, 6:00 P.M.

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm, with full Council present: Mayor Darnell Lumpkin, Jay Daigle, Chairman, Council Members: 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, Jay Daigle, led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Order of Business:

Approval or modification of Agenda Items, Motion by Mr. Bryant, Second by Mr. Lumpkin, All in favor.

Approval of May Council Meeting minutes, motioned by Mr. Bryant, second by Mr. Mitchell V., All in favor

Approval of Check's #38735 - 38830, motion made by Mr. Lumpkin, second by Mr. Bryant, all in favor.

Persons to appear: Larry Cail, with the City of Jasper Beautification Committee presented suggestions to the Council concerning the safety and beautification of the City's Walking Trail by adding trees, chains and more lighting. Mr. Lewis asked, if this was something we should seek funds from the Department of Transportation. Mr. Bryant suggested we let Mr. Collins, City Manager make the final decision on how he want to handle this issue. Chairman J. Daigle, stated the issue should be voted on. It was motioned by Mr. Mitchell, second by Mr. Lewis. Three (yes) and two (2) no votes, to proceed with the project.

City Manager's Report: Mr. Collins, stated we had an outstanding report today the CDBG Grant has been approved and we will be moving forward within a couple of months. The next phase will be resolutions that will need to be approved through the Council in our July meeting and that will put us one step closer. I anticipate construction starting in January or February with the new Water Meter System. I will be working with the grant writers in the future to apply for other Grants to enhance the city Parks. We were also awarded a \$200.000 Grant to update our Sewer Plant, we are sixty six (60%) complete on that and within the next month we should be at ninety (90%).

Mr. Collins, then notified everyone of the handout of the Florida Department of Health Hurricane preparedness and disaster plan hard copies are available to residence and it is also available online.

Mr. Bryant asked where would the residence who live in mobile homes go in the event of a Hurricane. Josh Water, stated that was handled by Emergency Management but, the New High School Gym is a designated Shelter and the Old High School Gym is designated for those with Special needs.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS:

FIRE CHIEF

Josh Waters, Fire Chief, stated the report for May were **(25)** calls of service, **(6)** vehicle wrecks, **(5)** Brush fires, **(8)** Medical Assists, **(1)** Drowning and **(4)** Mutual Aide. At the end of May we were up to **(181)** calls for service. Of the twenty five calls **(7)** were inside the City and **(13)** were County. We will also be flushing Fire Hydrants so your water may be brown or discolored.

POLICE CHIEF:

Jeff McGuire, Police Chief, stated the Police department handled **(402)** calls for the month of May **(45)** Written Reports which resulted in **(22)** arrest, **(3)** Criminal Mischief, **(7)** Battery's, and **(1)** Burglary residential.

FINANCE DIRECTOR:

Margaret Harper, Finance Director gave her report stating the Budget is continually improving and we are moving forward.

City Attorney Rhett Bullard, read and interpreted resolutions from the Department of Transportation **#19-06-01** Green Scape Maintenance Agreement. It was motioned by Mr. Mitchell and second by Mr. Bryant, All in favor for the agreement approval.

Resolution **#19-06-02**; Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement was also approved with a motion by Mr. Bryant, second by Mr. Mitchell, All in favor for the agreement approval.

WRITE OFF POLICY: It was motioned by Mr. Bryant, and second by Mr. Mitchell, All in favor of the policy.

The Budget meeting to adopt proposed Millage 2019 - 2020, Rate is scheduled for **July 22, 2019**, at 6pm.

The Budget Meeting is scheduled for **August 12, 2019 at 5:00 pm** and the regular Council Meeting will follow on the same date at 6pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mrs. Mary Cail, solicited assistance with the upkeep and trash pick-up within the City. She asked for Churches and local organizations to adopt a street and provide whatever help they could.

COMMENTS: Mrs. Cozart, reminded the Council of the VFW Flag Day and Fish Fry on Friday June 14, 2019, Ceremony will start at 11:00am, dinners are \$5.

NO COUNCIL COMMENTS

MEETING ADJOURNED 6:44 P.M.