

**Village of Jacksonville Council Meeting**  
**January 18, 2017**  
**6:30 PM**

The Village of Jacksonville met in regular session with Mayor McNickle presiding. Council members present were Eric Clift, Butch Chapman, Sam Smathers, Emily Swart, Tom Rodgers and DJ Henry. Also present were Village Solicitor John Haseley, Fiscal Officer Heather Rockwell, Water Operator Kenny Shank and Water Clerk Amie Dixon.

Councilperson Chapman made a motion to appoint Sam Smathers as Council President. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted "yes" except Councilperson Smathers who abstained. Motion carried

Corey Sikorski appeared before Council to discuss a water bill for 55,000 gallons of usage. Councilperson Chapman made a motion to install a new meter at the service address and grant Mr. Sikorski three months to pay the water bill plus minimum usage for each month. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mayor McNickle a document for Council to sign allowing him to request \$1,926 in permissive tax monies from the County Engineer. The Mayor also informed Council of an issue involving water theft. Council advised the water clerk to charge the customer the reconnect and disconnect fees at the address. Mayor McNickle will look into the cost for replacement parts that were broken at the address. Village Solicitor John Haseley advised the fiscal officer to generate a document certifying the total amount owed to the Village and the Village should serve the document to the customer with a Sheriff deputy present. Once the back balance is paid for the property, service can be reestablished.

Fiscal Officer Rockwell presented Council with allocation options for the building mortgage, electric service and natural gas service. The matter was forwarded to the Fire Committee for review. A Fire Committee meeting was scheduled for February 22, 2017 at 5:30 PM. Rockwell also informed Council of upcoming Public Records training to meet requirements for elected officials. Mayor McNickle along with Councilpersons Smathers, Rodgers, Swart, and Chapman agreed to attend the training on April 21, 2017. Rockwell will attend the April 21, 2017 training as the designee for Councilperson Clift. Haseley will attend the training for Councilperson Henry if he is unable to attend. Rockwell also presented the employment contract that was previously approved at the December 20, 2016 meeting and emailed to all members for review. The contract will require the signature of the Mayor or President of Council and will need to be forwarded to Community Bank so that Rockwell can access banking information for the Village.

Water Operator Kenny Shank reported that the boil advisory has been lifted. Councilperson Clift stated he would post this information on the Village website.

Water Clerk Amie Dixon stated she would like to know how Council would like to handle hall rentals. She stated some people have reserved the space, but have never given her payment for the rental. It is possible that the rental fee was paid to the fire department. Council decided that the hall should not be considered reserved until the rental fee has been paid. Councilperson Chapman made a motion that Ms. Dixon be the only individual authorized to accept hall rental payments. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Council President Smathers reported that the Fire Committee recommended approval for a \$1,000 purchase order from Dill's for the annual certification of the fire department air packs. The Fire Committee also discussed a \$100 purchase order for the Athens County Fire Association membership dues and a \$250 purchase order to repair turn out gear. A motion was made by Councilperson Chapman to approve the purchase order for Dill's that exceeds the \$500 limit set by Council. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. The Fire Committee requested approval to auction old equipment that is valued at less than \$50 and to sell SUV 1770 and purchase a used replacement vehicle.

Mayor McNickle requested a status update on the purchasing of new water meters. Council agreed to wait to make a decision until the 2016 Financial Statements are prepared. The Financial Statements are anticipated to ready for the February Council meeting.

Councilperson Chapman inquired if the Street Committee could be renamed the Street/Sidewalk Committee. Councilperson Swart inquired as to who is responsible for the upkeep of sidewalks in the Village. Council discussed the issue of sidewalks in the Village, costs to maintain the sidewalks and liability issues. No action was taken.

Councilperson Chapman made a motion to approve the minutes for the November 15, 2016 Council Meeting, December 6, 2016 Special Council Meeting and December 20, 2016 Council Meeting. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mayor McNickle entertained a motion to adjourn.

Councilperson Chapman made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.



Mayor Anthony McNickle



Council Clerk Heather Rockwell