Village of Jacksonville Council Meeting June 20, 2017 6:30 PM

The Village of Jacksonville met in regular session with Mayor McNickle presiding and the meeting being called to order at 6:32PM. Council members present were Eric Clift, Butch Chapman, Sam Smathers and Emily Swart. Also present were Solicitor John Haseley, Fiscal Officer Heather Rockwell, Assistant Fire Chief Brad Lowry, Water Operator Kenny Shank and Water Clerk Amber Mayle. Absent was Council member DJ Henry.

Councilperson Swart made a motion to excuse Councilperson Henry from the June 20, 2017 Council meeting. Seconded by Councilperson Chapman. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Clift made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2017 Council meeting, June 1, 2017 Special Council meeting and the June 12, 2017 Special Council meeting as read. Seconded by Councilperson Chapman. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mark Hunter appeared before Council to answer questions regarding his interest in the open Council seat. Council inquired about potential scheduling conflicts and Mr. Hunter stated there would be none. Mr. Hunter stated he has been reviewing Council Minutes from the past couple of years to bring himself up to date on the issues of the Village. Mr. Hunter expressed his desire to serve on Council to give something back to the community. Council appointed Mr. Hunter to the vacant Council seat and Solicitor Haseley administered Mr. Hunter's Oath of Office. Council President Smathers stated he would file the oath with the Board of Elections.

Mayor McNickle reported that the leaf blower previously approved at the May meeting did not need to be purchased. McNickle stated that after speaking with Todd Smith, a smaller leaf blower would be better for the needs of the Village. Council agreed to purchase a smaller leaf blower. McNickle stated that the Village needs to advertise to sell the property located on Eighth Street. The Village needs to advertise to accept bids. Council discussed the appraised value of the property in order to select a minimum bid. Councilperson Chapman made a motion to advertise the acceptance of bids for the purchase of Parcel # M050030007400 "As Is" with a minimum bid of \$3,500 and Council reserving the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Bids will be accepted until August 15, 2017 at 6:30PM where they will be opened at the Council meeting. Seconded by Councilperson Clift. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mayor McNickle stated that lots in the Village have been mowed at the Village's expense and the owner's need to be billed. McNickle stated he would find the Ordinance establishing the billing rates.

Fiscal Officer Rockwell presented a letter from the Athens County Budget Commission regarding levies for 2018. Council discussed the renewal of the 5 mill fire levy. Rockwell provided the May 2017 bank reconciliation for Council to sign. She also requested a motion to approve the April Financial Statements that were presented at the May meeting. Councilperson Chapman made a motion to approve the April Financial Statements. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted "yes" except Councilperson Hunter who abstained due to not being appointed to Council when the reports were presented. Motion carried.

Rockwell presented the May Work Log, an Ordinance for Supplemental Appropriations and a Resolution for a second reading regarding Tobacco Free zones. Councilperson Clift inquired about details of the Appropriations Ordinance. Rockwell provided further information.

Assistant Fire Chief Lowry reported that the Fire Department is almost ready to use the fire truck purchased with the Community Safety Grant. A Power of Attorney form was completed for the title work. Lowry reported that the department will more than likely receive the FEMA grant in the amount of \$443,000 to replace a pumper truck and a pumper/tanker truck. They are currently working on the development of a specifications sheet for bids. The department will be required to dispose of the old trucks or sell them to a training facility. The Fire Department would like to use the proceeds from the disposal or sale toward their 5% match for the grant. Council discussed the disposal options and agreed scrapping the trucks would be best. Councilperson Chapman made a motion to scrap the two trucks replaced with the grant. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. Councilperson Clift stated they should wait until the grant goes through and give it more thought. Councilpersons Chapman and Swart rescinded their motions. Council asked if the new truck would exceed weight limits. Lowry stated it would not. Councilperson Chapman asked if the fire department was still considering the construction of a new facility. Lowry stated there is nothing to report at this time. Lowry reported that the Ohio Fire Equipment Grant for turnout gear and the ODNR Grant were both denied. Lowry also reported that ODNR is no longer willing to scrap the brush truck that was previously reported due to time involved in getting the title. Lowry stated that air packs were donated to the Village and training will be conducted to use them. Lowry reported that the fire department had 5 runs in May.

Village Solicitor John Haseley reported that he had drafted a mitigation ordinance based on the one provided from the Village of Nelsonville. Haseley is waiting for further information from Fire Chief Jamie Irwin to present the ordinance to Council.

Water Operator Kenny Shank stated the Consumer Confidence Report is complete. The deadline to mail notices to the public is July 1, 2017. Rockwell stated she will print the postcards to be mailed.

Water Clerk Amber Mayle provided Council with a delinquent report as well as shutoffs and adjustments. She also discussed a water leak with Council.

Councilperson Chapman made a motion to make an adjustment in the amount of \$28.57 on the account for water service at 2 N. 8th St. due to a clerical error. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Chapman made a motion to make an adjustment in the amount of \$38.45 on the account for water service at 51 ½ E. Main St. due to a water leak. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Chapman made a motion to make an adjustment of \$87.28 on the account for water service at 3 S. 2nd St. due to a water leak. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Swart reported that the fence around the Village fuel tank is in need of repair. Mayor McNickle stated he would see if materials are available to repair the fence.

Councilperson Swart stated that the sidewalk near the bridge is in need of repairs. Mayor McNickle stated he would look into the matter.

Councilperson Swart inquired if the concrete stored in the park was in the flood plain. Council discussed who would need to be contacted to obtain permission.

Assistant Fire Chief Lowry provided an update on sewer drains. Lowry stated that equipment was borrowed from the Township to complete the work.

Councilperson Chapman inquired if a law was passed stating that sump pumps cannot drain onto the public streets. Solicitor Haseley stated it is illegal if it creates a hazard. Mayor McNickle stated they should drain into the storm sewers.

Solicitor Haseley provided an update to Council on Municipal Court.

Councilperson Swart stated she wanted to have an "appreciation day" for the Fire Department, Eagles and VFW for all they do for the Village. Swart would like the Mayor to present a Proclamation. Council discussed achievement announcements and a plaque. Councilperson Chapman will get a quote for the plaque.

Councilperson Chapman made a motion to enter executive session with Solicitor Haseley and Fiscal Officer Rockwell present to discuss hiring of personnel per ORC §121.22(G)(1). Seconded by Councilperson Smathers. All Council voted "yes". Meeting adjourned for executive session at 8:16PM.

Councilperson Chapman made a motion to exit executive session. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted "yes". Meeting resumed at 8:55PM.

Mayor McNickle stated he would speak to Administrator Todd Smith regarding recommended days and hours for a part time employee to help with water duties. McNickle will report the information to Council President Smathers.

Councilperson Clift made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance 2017-12 and declare an emergency. Seconded by Councilperson Chapman. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Ordinance No. 2017-12: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2017-03 TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO THE GENERAL, FIRE AND WATER OPERATING FUNDS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF JACKSONVILLE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO MAINTAIN NORMAL OPERATIONS OF THE VILLAGE. Councilperson Chapman made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2017-12 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Hunter. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Chapman made a motion to read in full as a second reading Resolution 2017-10. Seconded by Councilperson Smathers. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Resolution 2017-10: AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN THE VILLAGE HALL, RENTAL FACILITY, FIRE DEPARTMENT AND AT ALL VILLAGE PARKS. Rockwell read Ordinance 2017-10 in full.

Council requested Solicitor Haseley draft language for a bid announcement for the 8th Street property to be sold.

Councilperson Chapman reported that Brad Lowry will be meeting with Homer Township the first week of July and will obtain a contract for fire protection services retroactive for 2015, 2016 and 2017. Lowry will bring the agreement to the July Council meeting.

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 at 9:09PM.

Mayor Anthony McNickle

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Council Clerk Heather Rockwell