

**Village of Jacksonville Council Meeting**  
**December 21, 2019**  
**9:00 AM**

The Village of Jacksonville met in regular session with Mayor Sam Smathers presiding and the meeting called to order at 9:04 AM. Council members present were Butch Chapman, Emily Swart, Rachel Clift and Jay Chapman. Also present were Fire Chief Brad Lowry and Fiscal Officer Heather Rockwell.

Councilperson Butch Chapman made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 19, 2019 Regular Council meeting. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Fire Chief Brad Lowry reported that one bid was received for the compressor from Breathing Air Systems. Lowry requested a motion from Council accepting the bid. The compressor will include a four year maintenance agreement. The bid was \$51,500. The Fire Department match will be \$2,400. Lowry requested legal advice from Solicitor Haseley to remove members from the roster that have not fulfilled the requirements stated in the Standard Operating Procedures. The Fire Department is trying to maintain at least thirty members on the department due to Bureau of Workers Compensation minimum charges. The department responded to ninety-one calls for service so far in 2019.

Councilperson Swart made a motion to accept the bid for the compressor from Breathing Air Systems in the amount of \$51,500. Seconded by Councilperson Butch Chapman. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Fiscal Officer Rockwell presented Council with the November Bank Reconciliation for signatures, November Financial Statements, and November Work Log. Rockwell requested a motion to approve the October Financial Reports presented at the November 19, 2019 meeting. Rockwell provided a status update of the 2017/2018 audit. She is currently on closing out 2019 and preparing the Annual Financial Statements. Rockwell presented Council with a 2020 Temporary Appropriations Ordinance.

Councilperson Clift made a motion to approve the October 2019 Financial Reports as presented. Seconded by Councilperson Butch Chapman. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mayor Smathers thanked Rachel Clift for her service to the Village. The new water meters are being installed throughout the Village. The Village needs to obtain quotes for repairs to the roadway leading to the water tank before the repainting in March 2020.

Fire Chief Lowry reported that Don Gossel of the Athens County Emergency Management Agency is working on a replacement disaster siren for the Village. The new siren will be mounted next to the existing one, but will be fifty feet higher. The new siren will be mounted on a pole. American Electric Power will be contacted to see if they can provide a pole.

Councilperson Butch Chapman stated that the property at 71 E. Main St. is littered with trash and junk vehicles. Chapman asked what is needed in the budget for a Police Department. Rockwell stated that there is no money to budget for a Police Department and the Village would require a levy to provide the service. Chapman asked if the Mayor has arrest authority. Rockwell and Councilperson Clift reminded Council that any person acting as a police officer for the Village must be certified by the Ohio Police Officer Training Academy (OPOTA). Chapman stated he was invited to the Glouster Council meeting to discuss a Police Department.

Councilperson Butch Chapman made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance 2019-16 with an amendment to the Fire Levy Fund budget as an emergency. Seconded by Councilperson Clift. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. **ORDINANCE 2019-16: AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT**

**EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF JACKSONVILLE, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Councilperson Butch Chapman made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-16 with the amendment as read. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted “yes”. Motion carried.

Mayor Smathers entertained a motion to adjourn.

Councilperson Swart made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilperson Clift. All Council voted “yes”. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:43 AM.



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Mayor Sam Smathers



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Council Clerk Heather Rockwell