

Village of Jacksonville Council Meeting
May 23, 2019
6:30 PM

The Village of Jacksonville met in regular session with Council President Butch Chapman presiding and the meeting called to order at 6:30 PM. Council members present were Emily Swart, Christina Ewing, Butch Chapman, Rachel Clift, and Jay Chapman. Also present were Fiscal Officer Heather Rockwell and Solicitor John Haseley. Absent was Councilperson Dave Moleski and Mayor Smathers.

Councilperson Ewing made a motion to excuse Councilperson Moleski from the May 23, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Councilperson Jay Chapman. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Jay Chapman made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 25, 2019 Regular Council meeting. Seconded by Councilperson Clift. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Sheriff Rodney Smith appeared before Council to report that his department will donate a police cruiser to the Village. Smith stated the Village can use the vehicle or scrap it-there are no stipulations for accepting the cruiser. Smith stated the cruiser has a light bar, cage, and high band radio. Smith stated he did not feel the Village needs to change the existing ATV Ordinance since it references Ohio Revised Code. Smith stated that inspections are required of the vehicles and provided Council with guidelines for the inspections which can be performed by the Village or the Sheriff's office. Smith stated his department handled a lot of Jacksonville calls during the past thirty days. Smith stated he informed the potential Village Marshal that he must possess Ohio Police Officer Training Academy certification.

Eddie Smith of SOPEC appeared before Council to schedule a date for public hearings to be held regarding the Electric Aggregation that was approved by the voters of Jacksonville. Smith introduced his replacement, Luke Sulfridge. SOPEC will advertise for the public hearings and prepare materials to hand out. Councilperson Jay Chapman made a motion to hold the public hearings on June 2, 2019. Seconded by Councilperson Ewing. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Butch Chapman reported on behalf of Fire Chief Brad Lowry that a new member was added to the department. New turnout gear will be purchased with an ODNR grant. The Athens County EMS may install an emergency alert system in Jacksonville. Lowry requested trees be trimmed in town so the new fire truck doesn't get scratched. New air packs will be put in service on June 2, 2019. Lowry would like Council's approval to donate the old air packs to Tri-County Joint Vocational School for the firefighter program since the packs were donated to Jacksonville previously. Lowry would like for the solicitor to prepare a document to be signed by the Village and the school superintendent to release Jacksonville of liability. The Carthage Township Fire Chief and Trustees thanked the Jacksonville Council for the Pierce truck that was sold. Lowry would like Council's approval to donate surplus equipment to Carthage Township Fire Department. Lowry also needs Council's approval to enter into a contract with Ohio First Responder Grants to apply for a grant for turnout gear. The cost to write the grant is a flat fee of \$500. Councilperson Ewing asked if the tree trimming was completed. Council discussed how to obtain a bucket truck to get the trees trimmed.

Councilperson Butch Chapman reported for Administrator Todd Smith that the Garbo residence now has water pressure. Other residents are currently running water lines to the new taps installed on the replaced water lines. Old meters at the old meter pits will be removed. Councilperson Jay Chapman asked when hot mix will be purchased. Councilperson Butch Chapman stated after Memorial Day. The Village mower is currently working. Council discussed broken tile in an alley causing water to run into a resident's yard. The issue will be forwarded to Todd to check into. The new speed bumps were received. TAM Construction requested that Council wait until the new water lines are complete before

installing the speed bumps so they do not have to haul the new lines over them. Council agreed to wait until July to install the new speed bumps. Councilperson Jay Chapman asked if the Village has a guard rail to install when Eleventh Street is abandoned. The Village does have a guard rail.

Solicitor Haseley provided a Municipal Court update. Haseley stated that Maverick Sheridan is to have no contact with his grandmother. The Sheriff's office will be serving paperwork to the Richmond's regarding water taps. Haseley is still working on the easement for the water project. Council discussed the public bids for the park slide. Eleventh Street will be vacated on August 29, 2019.

Fiscal Officer Rockwell presented Council with the April Bank Reconciliation for signatures, April Financial Statements, and April Work Log. Rockwell requested a motion to approve the March Financial Reports presented at the April 25, 2019 meeting.

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

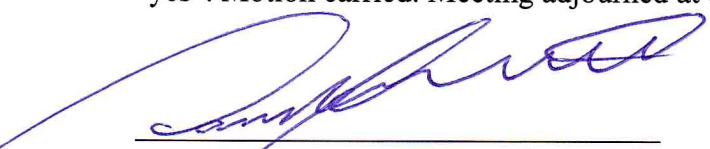
Councilperson Chapman presented the Mayor's report. The Bateman Cleanup Day has not yet been scheduled. Some fire hydrants will be relocated during the water line project. Phase 2 of the Water Project will begin July 2, 2019 if the project is approved. Council discussed the recommendation that the water tower be painted gray so the colors won't fade. "Jacksonville Water" will be painted on the water tower with paw prints to support the Trimble Tomcats. Road signs for the fire department have been received and need installed. The water project should be moved to Jacksonville Road by mid-June. Open holes that are still in resident's yards will be covered over before the project is complete. June 18, 2019 will be the bid opening date for Phase 2 of the Water Project.

Councilperson Clift reported that the Parks Committee would like to thank Amy Simons for her help planting flowers around the Village corporation sign.

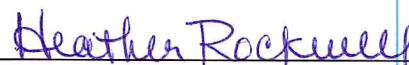
Councilperson Clift reported that the Public Safety Committee met on May 8, 2019 with Steve Williams to discuss the Village Marshal. Williams provided his resume and background information. Williams stated he was willing to be the Village Marshal for \$1 per year. Clift spoke to Michelle Hyer of Buckeye Hills Regional Council regarding if funding is available to establish a police department. Hyer reached out to area sheriff's departments. Eight departments are willing to donate to the cause. Clift stated that options need to be assembled. Rockwell will inquire with the insurance agent on the cost of police liability insurance. Clift has tried to contact Amesville to ask questions about their Marshal. Clift also contacted the Ohio Auditor's office. Council discussed having the Marshal be a shared service between communities. It was decided that a work session would need to be scheduled. Haseley stated that Coolville also has a Marshal and they may be able to offer information.

Councilperson Swart provided Acting Mayor Butch Chapman with her resignation from Council effective immediately. Council asked Swart if she would reconsider.

Councilperson Ewing made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilperson Clift. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:04PM.



Acting Mayor Butch Chapman Sam Smathers



Council Clerk Heather Rockwell