

Village of Jacksonville Council Meeting

August 28, 2020

5:00PM

The Village of Jacksonville met in regular session with Mayor Sam Smathers presiding and the meeting called to order at 5:06 PM. Due to the Covid 19 pandemic the meeting was conducted via Zoom with the public invited to view the meeting live through the Village website. Council members in physical attendance were Butch Chapman, Emily Swart, Jay Chapman, and Jennifer Slack. In physical attendance was Fiscal Officer Heather Rockwell and Solicitor John Haseley attended the meeting virtually via Zoom.

Councilperson Swart made a motion to excuse Councilperson Angela Strock from the meeting. Seconded by Councilperson Butch Chapman. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Butch Chapman made a motion to dispense with the reading and approve the Council Minutes for the February 27, 2020 Regular Council Meeting, the March 26, 2020 Special Council Meeting, the April 4, 2020 Emergency Council Meeting, the June 24, 2020 Special Council Meeting and the July 29, 2020 Special Council Meeting. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Jessie Powers of the Athens County Regional Planning Council attended the meeting virtually to discuss the Athens County Age Friendly Initiative. Powers previously provided handouts to Council via email. Powers reviewed the program with Council.

Councilperson Butch Chapman moved to enter executive session with the Council, Mayor and Solicitor present to discuss personnel complaints per ORC Section 121.22(G)(1). Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Meeting suspended for executive session at 6:05PM.

Councilperson Butch Chapman made a motion to exit executive session. Seconded by Councilperson Swart. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Meeting resumed at 6:27P.

Councilperson Chapman stated no decisions were made in or as a result of the executive session.

Fiscal Officer Rockwell presented Council with the February, March, April, May, June and July 2020 Bank Reconciliations for signatures, a 2020 Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources and 2020 Supplemental Appropriations.

Solicitor Haseley reported that a case was heard today with defendant Jessie Congrove for assault charges. Haseley stated he is still working on the Jason Morris case, which may require a psychiatric evaluation. Solicitor Haseley stated he will document the personnel issues. Haseley stated the issue at 2 North Seventh Street will be taken care of Monday.

There were no Committee reports due to lack of meeting due to the Covid 19 pandemic.

Council discussed if they still wanted to order the new park equipment due to Covid 19. Council agreed to order the equipment to spend the money this year and store the new equipment until spring 2021.

Mayor Smathers stated he will contact Bob Heavener Excavating to see if the quote for Tenth Street has changed. Smathers will report back to Council. Council stated they want the residents to be notified two days prior to the project beginning that the roadway will have limited access.

Mayor Smathers announced that he received a resignation letter from Councilperson David Moleski II due to personal reasons. Moleski's resignation is effective August 28, 2020. Councilperson Butch Chapman made a motion to accept Councilperson Moleski's resignation. Seconded by Councilperson Slack. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Council President Butch Chapman stated that Council and the Mayor had no prior knowledge of work performed on Moleski's property with Village equipment and they do not condone such behavior.

Councilperson Swart inquired about the Windle property. Swart stated there were three boys and a dog at the house. Mayor Smathers stated the locks have been changed and the water service is disconnected.

Swart stated she has noticed a large number of dogs at large in the Village and suggested Council contact the dog catcher.

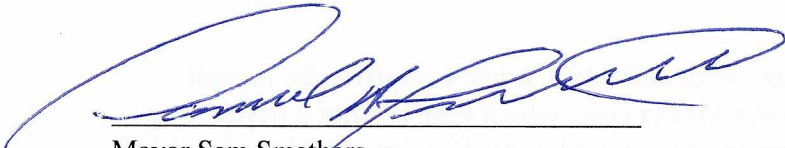
Councilperson Jennifer Slack asked if Solicitor Haseley has any new information regarding the previously discussed adult entertainment ordinance. Haseley stated the matter is on hold until he can consult with the Ohio Attorney General's office to obtain a model ordinance that is recommended. Haseley stated the result will be much better for the Village if they use the model ordinance.

Councilperson Butch Chapman moved to file the Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources with the Athens County Auditor as presented. Seconded by Councilperson Jay Chapman. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Butch Chapman made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance 2020-13 as an emergency. Seconded by Councilperson Jay Chapman. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. **ORDINANCE 2020-13: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2020-4 TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO THE PERMISSIVE SALES TAX, CORONAVIRUS RELIEF, AND FIRE FUNDS AND REDUCED FUNDING TO THE FEMA GRANT EMW-2018-FO-01106 FUND WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF JACKSONVILLE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO MAINTAIN NORMAL OPERATIONS OF THE VILLAGE.** Councilperson Butch Chapman made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2020-13 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Slack. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mayor Smathers entertained a motion to adjourn.

Councilperson Swart made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilperson Butch Chapman. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:48 PM.



Mayor Sam Smathers



Council Clerk Heather Rockwell