

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
JASPER, ALABAMA, HELD FEBRUARY 4, 2020**

10:01 a.m. - The meeting was called to order by Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 400 19th Street West, Jasper.

Present: Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III, Councilmembers Danny Gambrell and Jennifer W. Smith, Mayor David P. O'Mary, City Clerk/Administrator Kathy Chambless and Russell B. Robertson

Absent: Councilmembers V. L. "Sonny" Posey and Gary Cowen

Invocation: Brent McCarver, Compliance Officer

Pledge of Allegiance: Lisa Myers, Events Coordinator

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held January 21, 2020 be approved.

Vote

Councilmember V. L. "Sonny" Posey	Absent
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Consider amendments to the agenda. One item was added to the Agenda: Consider approval of travel for Police personnel to attend the 2020 Alabama Association of Chiefs of Police Winter Conference February 17-20, 2020.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gambrell, seconded by Councilmember Smith to approve the amendment to the agenda.

Vote

Councilmember V. L. "Sonny" Posey	Absent
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Consider approval of the agenda.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell that the agenda be approved.

Vote

Councilmember V. L. “Sonny” Posey	Absent
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Present a Proclamation for Future Business Leaders of America Week. Mayor O’Mary read the Proclamation and presented it to members of Jasper High School’s FBLA.

Present a Proclamation for Career and Technical Education Month. Mayor O’Mary read the Proclamation and presented it to members of Walker County Technical School.

Consider approval of Event Permits: 1) Bevill State Basketball Tailgating, February 20, 2020; 2) Twisted Barley Brewing Company Crawfish Boil, February 22, 2020.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to approve Event Permits for Bevill State Basketball Tailgating, and Twisted Barley Brewing Company Crawfish Boil.

Vote

Councilmember V. L. “Sonny” Posey	Absent
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Consider adoption of Budget Amendment #2019/20-05 and introduce Budget Amendment #2019/20-06. Budget Amendment #2019/20-06 was introduced by the city clerk.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to adopt Budget Amendment #2019/20-05.

Vote

Councilmember V. L. “Sonny” Posey	Absent
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Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Consider a request for permission to send Bid Invitations for concrete pipe.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gambrell, seconded by Councilmember Smith approve the request to send Bid Invitations for Concrete Pipe.

Vote

Councilmember V. L. "Sonny" Posey	Absent
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Recognize Clayton Mehearg, Walker County Sports Hall of Fame concerning a request for support.
Mr. Mehearg was not present at the meeting. This item was tabled.

Consider approval of travel for Councilmembers attending the Alabama League of Municipalities Annual Meeting May 16-19, 2020.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to approve travel for Councilmembers attending the Alabama League of Municipalities Annual Meeting May 16-19, 2020.

Vote

Councilmember V. L. "Sonny" Posey	Absent
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Consider adoption of a Resolution to allow Mayor O'Mary to enter into an agreement with Zach Baker to provide talent buying for Foothills 2020.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to adopt a Resolution to allow Mayor O'Mary to enter into an agreement with Zach Baker to provide talent buying for Foothills 2020.

Vote

Councilmember V. L. “Sonny” Posey	Absent
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Conduct a Public Hearing and consider adoption of a Resolution to set cost for Nuisance Abatement of an Unsafe Structure. The City Attorney presented an overview of the events that transpired related to the cost of the abatement of the nuisance. Building Inspector Billy Swann stated signs had been placed as required by the Nuisance Abatement Ordinance. Mr. Greg Langley was recognized during the Public Hearing to dispute the charges for removal of an unsafe structure at 1100 21st Street West. He indicated he had not been properly notified of the abatement cost.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to adopt the Resolution to set cost for Nuisance Abatement of the Unsafe Structure located at 1100 21st Street West.

Vote

Councilmember V. L. “Sonny” Posey	Absent
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Consider adoption of Resolutions for Nuisance Abatement of an Unsafe Structures and an Inoperative Vehicle.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gambrell, seconded by Councilmember Smith to adopt a Resolution for Nuisance Abatement of Unsafe Structures.

Vote

Councilmember V. L. “Sonny” Posey	Absent
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to adopt a Resolution for Nuisance Abatement of an Inoperative Vehicle.

Vote

Councilmember V. L. “Sonny” Posey	Absent
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Consider adoption of an Ordinance to amend the Model Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance. This item was tabled.

Consider adoption of an Ordinance levying Ad Valorem Taxes.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gambrell, seconded by Councilmember Smith to adopt an Ordinance levying Ad Valorem Taxes.

Vote

Councilmember V. L. “Sonny” Posey	Absent
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Consider approval of travel for Police personnel to attend the 2020 Alabama Association of Chiefs of Police Winter Conference February 17-20, 2020.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gambrell, seconded by Councilmember Smith to approve travel as requested.

Vote

Councilmember V. L. “Sonny” Posey	Absent
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Consider a request to accept proceeds in the amount of \$2,940 from the sale of Police Department calendars.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to accept proceeds in the amount of \$2,940 from the sale of Police Department calendars.

Vote

Councilmember V. L. "Sonny" Posey	Absent
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Comments:

Mayor O'Mary commented concerning the recent purchase of a new street sweeper for use by the Street Department. He called upon Assistant Street Superintendent Billy Wade to share some of the advantages and benefits of the sweeper. Mayor O'Mary thanked the Council for their approval of the purchase.

Consider adjournment of the meeting.**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to adjourn the meeting.

Vote

Councilmember V. L. "Sonny" Posey	Absent
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

10:39 a.m. - Meeting adjourned.

A P P R O V E D:

Willie Moore, III, Presiding Officer

A T T E S T:

Kathy Chambless, City Clerk/Administrator