

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
JASPER, ALABAMA, HELD APRIL 20, 2021**

10:00 a.m. - The meeting was called to order by Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 400 19th Street West, Jasper.

Present: Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell, Councilmembers Jed Daniel, Gary Cowen, Jennifer W. Smith, and Willie Moore, III, Mayor David P. O'Mary, City Clerk/Administrator Kathy Chambless, and City Attorney Russ Robertson

Absent:

Invocation: Purchasing Agent Derleda Abrom

Pledge of Allegiance: Revenue Compliance Officer Brent McCarver

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Cowen that the minutes of the regular meeting held April 6, 2021, be approved.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Consider amendments to the agenda. No amendments were made to the agenda.

Consider approval of the agenda.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Cowen that the agenda be approved.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Consider the reappointment of Mary Moore and the appointment of Jasmine Casey to the Jasper Housing Authority Board. Mayor O’Mary submitted the names for appointment to the Jasper Housing Authority Board.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Cowen to re-appoint Mary Moore and to appoint Jasmine Casey to the Jasper Housing Authority Board.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Abstain
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Consider the reappointment of Patti Poe and the appointment of Shirley Mitchell to the Mental Health Board. Mayor O’Mary recommended the names for appointment to the Mental Health Board.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Daniel to re-appoint Patti Poe and to appoint Shirley Mitchell to the Mental Health Board.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Consider adoption of a Resolution to allow Mayor O’Mary to enter into an agreement with Jasper City Board of Education in relation to a public mountain biking trail on unused portions of Jasper High School property.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Daniel to allow Mayor O’Mary to enter into an agreement with Jasper City Board of Education relating to a public mountain biking trail on unused portions of Jasper High School property.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Introduce Budget Amendment #2020/2021-10. The Budget Amendment was introduced by the City Clerk to fund four projects. One additional item was added based on the request of the Fire Chief, which is a compressor. Unanimous consent was requested.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Moore that the rules be suspended and unanimous consent be given for immediate consideration of and action on said Budget Amendment.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Moore to adopt Budget Amendment #2020/2021-10.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Receive report on Tree Service Removal. The Purchasing Agent recommended to reject the bid and negotiate with the sole bidder.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Daniel to receive the report of the Purchasing Agent to reject the bid and negotiate.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Consider a request for permission to renew the contracts for on-call concrete service, pool chemicals, and portable restrooms.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Smith to renew the contracts for on-call concrete service, pool chemicals, and portable restrooms.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Consider a request for permission to purchase an Eagle air compressor and components through HGAC (cooperative program).

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Cowen to approve the request to purchase an Eagle Air compressor and components through HGAC (cooperative program).

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Consider adoption of a Resolution to request ALDOT permit approval for Highway 69 sidewalks.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Daniel to adopt a Resolution to request ALDOT permit approval for Highway 69 sidewalks connecting 18th and 19th Streets.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Consider adoption of a Resolution to approve the cost of providing electrical services to 6 light fixtures at Blackwell Meadows subdivision.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Daniel, seconded by Councilmember Cowen to adopt a Resolution approving the cost of providing electrical services to 6 decorative light fixtures at Blackwell Meadows subdivision.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
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Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Consider adoption of a Resolution for Nuisance Abatement of Unsafe Structures, Inoperative Vehicle, and Grass/Weeds.

Motion

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

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Moore to adopt a Resolution for Nuisance Abatement of Grass/Weeds.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Motion

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

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Consider adoption of a Resolution amending the city boundary at 113 Hollis Crump Drive.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Daniel, seconded by Councilmember Cowen to adopt a Resolution amending the city boundary at 113 Hollis Crump Drive.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

Introduce an Ordinance amending the Ordinance providing for a Jasper Park and Recreation Board. The City Attorney introduced the Ordinance to amend the Jasper Park and Recreation Board Ordinance. There was a brief discussion among Councilmembers and the City Attorney about the importance of this Ordinance.

Comments:

Mayor O’Mary made no comments.

Councilmember Smith asked for clarification about today’s board appointments.

Councilmember Moore requested to briefly speak with Chief Poe, Mayor O’Mary, and one other Councilmember after the meeting to share information. City Attorney Russ Robertson clarified that this would not qualify for Executive Session.

Consider adjournment of the meeting.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Moore to adjourn the meeting.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Danny Gambrell	Yes

10:30 a.m. – Meeting adjourned.

A P P R O V E D:

Danny Gambrell, Presiding Officer

A T T E S T:

Kathy Chambless, City Clerk/Administrator