

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
JASPER, ALABAMA, HELD JUNE 16, 2020**

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

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

**Absent:** V. L. “Sonny” Posey

**Invocation:** Assistant Chief Paul Tucker

**Pledge of Allegiance:** City Planner, Keith Pike

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Cowen that the minutes of the regular meeting held June 2, 2020, be approved.

**Vote**

Councilmember V. L. “Sonny” Posey	Absent
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 Smith, seconded by Councilmember Cowen that the agenda be approved.

**Vote**

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

**Conduct accepting a donation to the Jasper Fire Department in the amount of \$750.00 from Country Financial.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Cowen to accept a donation of \$750.00 from Country Financial.

**Vote**

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

**Consider accepting \$8,000.00 in grant funds from CAWACO to apply toward playground improvements at James A. Cox Park.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Smith to accept \$8,000.00 in grant funds from CAWACO for playground improvements at James A. Cox Park.

**Vote**

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

**Receive report on Trophies and Awards.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Moore to receive the report of the Purchasing Agent and to adopt a Resolution to award the contract for Trophies and Awards to the lowest bidder, Kustom Trophy.

**Vote**

Councilmember V. L. "Sonny" Posey	Absent
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 declare surplus property unneeded.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Moore to adopt a Resolution to declare a submitted list of items as unneeded surplus property and grant authorization to sell, recycle, donate and/or dispose of items.

**Vote**

Councilmember V. L. "Sonny" Posey	Absent
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 contract for Infrared Thermal Pothole Patching.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Cowen to receive the report of the Purchasing Agent and to adopt a Resolution to renew the contract with Pavecon for Infrared Thermal Pothole Patching at the same terms and pricing.

**Vote**

Councilmember V. L. "Sonny" Posey	Absent
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 declare that a portion of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue from 17<sup>th</sup> Street to 19<sup>th</sup> Street also be known as Dr. David J. Rowland Avenue.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Cowen to adopt a Resolution to declare that a portion of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue from 17<sup>th</sup> Street to 19<sup>th</sup> Street also be known as Dr. David J. Rowland Avenue.

**Vote**

Councilmember V. L. "Sonny" Posey	Absent
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 sign a grant application for the Jasper Industrial Development Board.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Moore to adopt a Resolution to allow Mayor O’Mary to sign a grant application for the Jasper Industrial Development Board.

**Vote**

Councilmember V. L. “Sonny” Posey	Absent
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 submit an application to ALDOT for Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant funds for Downtown Sidewalk Improvements Project, Phase V.**

**Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Cowen to adopt a Resolution to allow Mayor O’Mary to submit an application to ALDOT for TAP grant funds for the Downtown Sidewalk Improvements Project, Phase V.

**Vote**

Councilmember V. L. “Sonny” Posey	Absent
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 Gras/Weeds.**

**Motion**

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

**Vote**

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

**Comments:**

Mayor O'Mary commented on Covid-19. The numbers are increasing here and across Alabama. It is time to be as cautious as possible. City playgrounds and parks opened as of yesterday morning with the exception of the splash pad.

Mayor O'Mary spoke to the current state of affairs in this country. Early on in Mayor O'Mary's administration, it became a requirement for leadership employees to complete an online training course through The Alabama League of Municipalities, which includes a course on sexual harassment. Recently, a course for diversity training has been added to the leadership's curriculum to be completed by the end of July.

No comments were made by the Councilmembers.

**Consider adjournment of the meeting.****Motion**

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

**Vote**

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

10:22 a.m. - Meeting adjourned.

A P P R O V E D:

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Danny Gambrell, Presiding Officer

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Kathy Chambless, City Clerk/Administrator