

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
JASPER, ALABAMA, HELD DECEMBER 1, 2020**

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 Gary Cowen and Willie Moore, III, Mayor David P. O'Mary, City Clerk/Administrator Kathy Chambless and Russell B. Robertson, City Attorney

Absent: Councilmembers Jed Daniel and Jennifer W. Smith

Invocation: Police Captain Justin Tidwell

Pledge of Allegiance: Assistant Police Chief Paul Tucker

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Cowen that the minutes of the regular meeting held November 17, 2020, be approved.

Vote

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

Consider amendments to the agenda. The agenda was amended to add one item: Consider a request to purchase a garbage truck as an emergency that affects public health and approve the funds for a garbage truck.

Consider approval of the agenda.

Motion

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

Vote

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

Consider a request for the purchase of a garbage truck as an emergency that affects public health and approve the funds for a garbage truck.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Moore to declare the purchase of a garbage truck as an emergency that affects public health.

Vote

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

Consider reappointment of Municipal Court Judge Jim Brakefield for the new term.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Moore to reappoint Municipal Court Judge Jim Brakefield for the new term.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Absent
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Absent
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 “Pine” and the Jasper Industrial Development Board.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Moore to allow Mayor O’Mary to enter into an agreement with “Pine” and the Jasper Industrial Development Board.

Vote

Councilmember Jed Daniel	Absent
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Absent
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 “Sublime” and the Jasper Industrial Development Board.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Moore to allow Mayor O'Mary to enter into an agreement with "Sublime" and the Jasper Industrial Development Board.

Vote

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

Consider adoption of a Resolution to set cost for Nuisance Abatement. Following a public hearing during which no comments were made, a motion was considered.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Cowen to adopt a Resolution to set cost for Nuisance Abatement for grass/weeds.

Vote

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

Consider adoption of a Resolution for nuisance abatement for grass/weeds.

Motion

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

Vote

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

Introduce an Ordinance to regulate the tethering of animals. The Ordinance was introduced by the City Attorney and will be considered at the next council meeting.

Comments:

Mayor O’Mary spoke briefly concerning finances, reflecting on the relative ease in which the city can purchase a garbage truck when in an emergency situation. He called on the council to begin to think about things they would like to see done in their districts so that early next year those things can be discussed and planned for.

Attorney Charles Tatum addressed Mayor O’Mary and the council. He talked about industries moving into Jasper, saying that tech prep must be put in place that transitions to Bevill in preparation for various technical jobs. He asked the council and Mayor to take the project on for the betterment of the community.

Consider adjournment of the meeting.

Motion

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

Vote

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

10:26 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