

City of Jasper
200 Burnt Mountain Road
Jasper, Georgia 30143
MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, March 7, 2022, 6:00 PM

Members Present:

Mayor Steve Lawrence-Zoom
Anne Sneve
Jim Looney
Kirk Raffield-Via Zoom
Dr. Sonny Proctor
John Foust

Staff:

Sonia Jammes
Beverly Ragland
Tara Benson
David Hall
Stacy Johnson
Lindsey Williams
Lonnie Waters
Kim Goldner
Matt Dawkins
Chad Childers
Von Headrick

Guests in Attendance:

June Ash
Rob Jarrett
Leslie Long
Jack Dunn
Green Suttles

Members Absent:

Legal Counsel:

David

Press:

Pickens Progress
Know Pickens
Fetch Your News

Agenda item:	Call Meeting to Order	Presenter:	Mayor Steve Lawrence
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Discussion:

Mayor Lawrence seeing a quorum called the meeting to order. Mayor Lawrence called on Development Director Lonnie Waters to give the invocation. Councilmember Dr. Sonny Proctor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda item:	Adopt Agenda	Presenter:	Mayor Steve Lawrence
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Discussion:

Mayor Lawrence asked for any discussion on the agenda. Councilmember Looney made a motion to add a report on Committee Reports on the Perrow Park Committee. Councilmember Proctor addressed that under Item #1 under New Business that there is a procedural issue with that item and would like to consider tabling that item.

Conclusions:

Mayor Lawrence called for a motion to adopt the agenda as modified. Councilmember Anne Sneve made a motion to approve. Councilmember Jim Looney provided a second. Motion to approve passed unanimously

Action items

Person responsible

Deadline

None at this time.

Agenda item:	Approval of Minutes from February 7, 2022, Regular Council Meeting	Presenter:	Mayor Steve Lawrence
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Discussion:

Mayor Pro Tem Raffield called for a motion to approve minutes from the Feb 7, 2022, 2022, Regular Council Meeting as presented.

Conclusions:

Councilmember Sneve made a motion to approve, and Councilmember Looney provided the second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.

Person responsible

Deadline

None at this time. Action items

Employee Recognition

Matt Dawkins awarded Lieutenant Chad Childers
Commendation pin and letter Commendation pin and

Agenda item:	Old Business #1 Discussion of Alcohol Ordinance revision	Presenter:	Sonia Jammes
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Discussion:

City Manager Sonia Jammes provide a brief update on the Alcohol Ordinance revision. Ms. Jammes is working on the changes so that the city can be a little more flexible on our incoming development and future for the central business district.

Conclusions:

Items such as Assisted Living Homes and how to deal with alcohol sales within those homes. Ms. James is reaching out to other localities as well as Mr. Syfan for guidance as to how others have done.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Work with City Attorney	Sonia Jammes	

Agenda item:	Old Business Item # 2 Consideration and approval of drawings from CPL for downtown restrooms.	Presenter:	Sonia Jammes
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Discussion:

Ms. Jammes asked if Council would like to approve the current design or reach back out to the designer and have them engineer something else.

Conclusions:

Councilmember Sneve made a motion to table the approval of conceptual drawings from CPL downtown restrooms until the next Council work session. Ms. Jammes asked that at the work session we have the designer from CPL so that council can articulate concerns regarding the design features and safety. With no further discussion Councilmember Foust provide a second. Motion to table passed unanimously.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
CPL designer to be at work session		3/31/22

Agenda item:	Old Business Item #3 Consideration and approval of conceptual drawings from CPL for Fire Station upgrades	Presenter:	Sonia Jammes
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Discussion:

The final design has been sent out in City Manager weekly report. Councilmember Looney added that this design has been through public safety committee as well as the Fire Department.

Conclusions:

Councilmember Looney made a motion to approve conceptual drawings from CPL for Fire Station upgrades. Councilmember Sneve provided the second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Move forward with construction documents		

Agenda item:	New Business Item #1 Consideration and approval of Variance to the Zoning Ordinance for 3622 Camp Rd, Jasper GA	Presenter:	Lindsey Williams
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Discussion:

Tabled

Conclusions:

Mayor Lawrence called for a motion to table the approval of Variance to the Zoning Ordinance for 3622 Camp Rd, Jasper GA. Councilmember Proctor made a motion to approve to table. Councilmember Foust provide a second. Motion to table passed unanimously.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Tabled	Lonnie Waters	indefinite

Agenda item:	New Business Item #2	Presenter:	Lindsey Williams
	Consideration and approval to issue alcohol license for Sharptop Distilling Company, LLC		

Discussion:

Director of Finance Lindsey Williams stated that staff asked at the February meeting for Shartop Distilling Co. to begin advertising. Mrs. Williams asked that Council approve the alcohol license as the applicant has met all the requirements.

Conclusions:

Councilmember Sneve made a motion to approve alcohol license for Shartop Distilling Company LLC. Councilmember Looney provide a second. Motion to approve carried unanimously.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Issue alcohol license		

Agenda item:	New Business Item # 3	Presenter:	Lindsey Williams
	Consideration and approval to issue alcohol license for Culinary Getway LLC		

Discussion:

Mrs. Williams stated that staff asked at the February meeting for Culinary Getway located at 345 North Main Street to advertise for alcohol license Mrs. Williams asked that Council approve the alcohol license as the applicant has met all the requirements.

Conclusions:

Councilmember Sneve made the motion to approve. Councilmember Looney provided the second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Issue alcohol license	Lindsey Williams	

Agenda item:	New Business Item #4	Presenter:	Lindsey Williams
	Consideration and approval to issue alcohol license for Woodbridge Tavern LLC		

Discussion:

Mrs. Williams stated that staff asked at the February meeting for Woodbridge Tavern LLC. to advertise for alcohol license. Mrs. Williams asked that Council approve the alcohol license as the applicant has met all the requirements.

Conclusions:

Councilmember Sneve made the motion to approve. Councilmember Proctor provided the second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
issue alcohol license	Lindsey Williams	

Agenda item:	New Business Item #5	Presenter:	June Ash
	Consideration and approval of events for North GA Family Partners		

Discussion:

June Ash with Family Partners is asking council to give permission for the events listed below.

- A. Super-Hero Day held at Lee Newton Park- June 16th

- B. Jeep Fest Camping held at Lee Newton Park Aug 31- Sep 5th
- C. Long Table held on Main Street Sep. 10th with a rain date of Sep 17th

Conclusions:

Councilmember Sneve made a motion to approve the requested dates for Family Partners. Councilmember Looney provide a second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
None at this time.		

Agenda item:	New Business Item# 6 Consideration and approval of Family Carnival at Lee Newton Park	Presenter:	Leslie Long
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Discussion:

Leslie Long, the Development & Communication Manager for Good Samaritan Health and Wellness Center is requesting to have a family Carnival to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of Good Sam's to thank the patients and all that have supported them for the past 20 years. This event will have carnival games, food, and fun for the whole family.

Conclusions:

Councilmember Sneve made a motion to approve the Family Carnival at Lee Newton Park on June 11th, 2022. Councilmember Foust provide a second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
None at this time.		

Agenda item:	New Business Item #7 Consideration and approval for DDA to hold "Second Saturday" of the Month on Stegall	Presenter:	Jack Dunn
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Discussion:

Jack Dunn with the Downtown Development Authority is asking Council to approve the "Second Saturday" event for the dates of May 14th, June 11th, July 9th, and August 13th. The event will be on Stegall Drive with music from bands in Pickens County. Mr. Dunn stated that they are not accepting vendors at this time.

Conclusions:

Councilmember Sneve made a motion to approve the dates for the Second Saturday on Stegall Drive. Councilmember Proctor provide a second. Motion to pass carried unanimously.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
None at this time.		

Agenda item:	New Business Item #8 Consideration and approval of Gennett Drive BID selection	Presenter:	Sonia Jammes
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Discussion:

Ms. Jammes with great pleasure and enthusiasm brings the final bid for consideration of remediating and fixing Gennett Drive. The low bid from Blount Construction Company, inc. came in at \$249,000. The bid has been vetted through the city engineers. The engineer has given a recommendation that we go with this company. Staff has been instructed that it will take 90 days from the signing of the contract.

Conclusions:

Councilmember Anne made the motion to approve. Councilmember Looney provided the second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Contract to be signed	Sonia Jammes	

Agenda item:	New Business Item #9 Dredging of Cove Creek	Presenter:	David Hall
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Discussion:

Water-Waster Director David Hall approached Council with the low bid from Mudcat at \$24,170. Cove Creek was impacted by the extreme weather event in March of 2021. In addition to the emergency repairs made to immediately restore water supply, it has been agreed that more work needs to restore the area prior to operations. Mr. Hall stated to Council that staff will wait for the permit from EPD before proceeding with the work from Mudcat.

Conclusions:

Councilmember Foust made a motion to approve the low bid from Mudcat in the amount of \$24,170 for the Dredging of Cove Creek. Councilmember Proctor provided a second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
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Agenda item:	New Business Item #10 Consideration and approval of quote (under \$25,000) to pave JL White Dr.	Presenter:	David Hall
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Discussion:

Mr. Hall provided the council with the low bid from Moss Paving at \$28,000.00. Mr. Hall said that with the city staffs help Mr. Moss could lower the bid to \$24,995.00. The city would help in digging out and adding the gravel back in Councilmember Sneve asked if the city had the equipment to help with the job. Mr. Hall stated yes.

Conclusions:

Councilmember Sneve made a motion to approve the bid at \$24,170.00. Councilmember Looney provide a second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
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Agenda item:	New Business Item #11 Consideration and approval of Wet Well Pump	Presenter:	David Hall
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Discussion:

Mr. Hall stated that this is one of the two pumps in operation at the Waste-Water Treatment Plant that moves water from the pond to the treatment plant. This pump has failed, and staff would like to have council approve the bid from Pro-Pump Solution for \$11,613.54.

Conclusions:

Councilmember Foust made a motion to approve the purchase of wet well pump from Pro-Pump Solution at \$11,613.54. Councilmember Sneve provided a second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
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Agenda item:	Committee Reports	Presenter:	Committee Members
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Discussion:

Administration Committee would like to have a steering committee for Perrow Park. Mr. Looney listed the steering Committee.

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| Dr. Sonny Proctor | Robert Keller | Steve Lawrence |
| Marty Callahan | Cindy De Mayo | Sonia Jammes |
| Amy Leake | Jack Dunn | Matt Dunn |
| Green Suttles | Jim Looney | |

Conclusions:

Councilmember Sneve made a motion to approve the listed above for the Perrow Park Steering committee. Councilmember Foust provide a second. Motion to approve passed unanimously

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
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Agenda item: Department Reports	Presenter: Department Heads
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Discussion:

Conclusions:

Department reports were presented.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
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None at this time.

Agenda item: Executive Session	Presenter: Mayor Lawrence
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Discussion:

Mayor Lawrence called for a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel.

Conclusions:

Councilmember Foust made a motion to enter executive session. Councilmember Looney provided the second. Motion to approved passed unanimously. Councilmember Sneve made a motion to come out of executive session. Councilmember Looney provided the second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
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None at this time.

Agenda item: Adjourn	Presenter: Mayor Pro Tem Raffield
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Discussion:

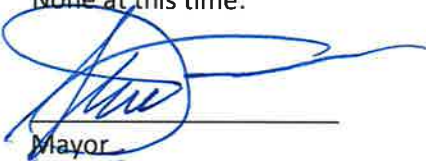
Mayor Lawrence called for a motion to adjourn.

Conclusions:

Councilmember Looney made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Foust provided the second. Motion to approve passed unanimously. Mayor Lawrence adjourned the meeting.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
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None at this time.



Mayor



City Clerk