



City of Jasper
 200 Burnt Mountain Road
 Jasper, GA 30143
 MINUTES | REGULAR MEETING
 Monday, August 1, 2022, 6:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT
 Mayor Steve Lawrence
 Folsom C. Proctor
 John Foust
 Jim Looney
 Anne Sneve

STAFF
 Sonia Jammes
 Lonnie Waters
 Tara Benson
 David Hall
 Lindsey Williams
 John Sherrer
 Stacy Johnson
 Mike Davis

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE
 Jack Dunn
 J Cornelius
 Green Suttles

MEMBERS ABSENT
 Kirk Raffield

LEGAL COUNSEL
 R. David Syfan

PRESS
 Mari Livsey – KnowPickens
 Angela Reinhardt – Pickens Progress

AGENDA ITEM: Call Meeting to Order/Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance	PRESENTER: Mayor Steve Lawrence
Mayor Lawrence seeing a quorum called the meeting to order. Mayor Lawrence called on Development Director Lonnie Waters to provide the Invocation. Councilmember John Foust led the Pledge of Allegiance.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
None	N/A
	DEADLINE
	N/A

AGENDA ITEM: Adopt Agenda	PRESENTER: Mayor Steve Lawrence
DISCUSSION: Mayor Lawrence noted for the record that Councilmember Kirk Raffield is not in attendance.	
CONCLUSION: Mayor Lawrence called for a motion to adopt the agenda. Councilmember Anne Sneve made a motion to approve. Councilmember Jim Looney provided a second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
None	N/A
	DEADLINE
	N/A

CONSET AGENDA ITEMS:	PRESENTER: Mayor Steve Lawrence
Minutes Public Hearing /Work Session June 30, 2022 Minutes Regular Meeting July 11, 2022 JeepFest -removed Development Report Financial Report Fire Report Police Report	
DISCUSSION: Mayor Lawrence stated that Jeepfest is removed from the consent agenda. Mayor Lawrence called for a motion to approve the amended consent agenda.	
CONCLUSION: Councilmember Looney made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Sneve provided a second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
Approved	N/A
	DEADLINE
	N/A

AGENDA ITEM: New Business #1 Consideration and approval of appointment of J. Cornelius for serving on the Downtown Development Authority		PRESENTER: Mayor Steve Lawrence	
CONCLUSION: Mayor Lawrence called for a motion to appoint J. Cornelius to the DDA Board. Councilmember Sneve made a motion to approve. Councilmember Looney provided a second. Motion to approve passed unanimously. Mr. Cornelius will fill the vacant spot formally held by Brad Stephens.			
ACTION ITEMS Approved	PERSON RESPONSIBLE N/A	DEADLINE N/A	

AGENDA ITEM: New Business #2 Swearing in of newly appointed J. Cornelius		PRESENTER: Mayor Steve Lawrence	
CONCLUSION: Mayor Lawrence swore in J. Cornelius with the State of Georgia and Downtown Development Authority Loyalty Oath.			
ACTION ITEMS None	PERSON RESPONSIBLE N/A	DEADLINE N/A	

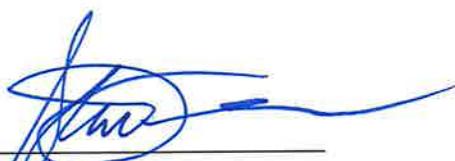
AGENDA ITEM: New Business #3 Consideration and approval of closing Stegall Drive permanently		PRESENTER: Sonia Jammes	
DISCUSSION: Ms. Jammes stated that council decided to close a section of Stegall Drive, referred to as Stegall Alley on the weekends for an outdoor dining and activity area. This has been a great success and supported by business owners and customers. The street would be closed on Fridays and reopen on Monday. The bollards are extremely heavy and have resulted in several workers comp injuries. The city decided to leave the bollards up seven days a week through the summer months. This was also met with great support. Ms. Jammes requested to close the street permanently. Ms. Jammes clarified that this will still be a public space maintained by the city.			
CONCLUSION: Councilmember Sneve made a motion to approve. Councilmember Proctor provided a second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.			
ACTION ITEMS Approved	PERSON RESPONSIBLE N/A	DEADLINE N/A	

AGENDA ITEM: New Business #4 Consideration and approval of CCWSA Petition for Water Capacity.		PRESENTER: Sonia Jammes	
DISCUSSION: Ms. Jammes stated that in an effort to create a more efficient collaboration with Cherokee County Water & Sewerage Authority (CCWSA), staff is requesting that Mayor and Council petition CCWSA to reserve capacity for the City in their water system. Ms. Jammes stated that currently, the city is purchasing between 100,000 and 200,000 gallons per day of water from CCWSA at a market rate of \$4.50 per 1,000 gallons. The city would like to request CCWSA reserve 200,000 gallons per day capacity at a wholesale rate of \$2.50 per gallon. This would require that the city pay a one-time fee of \$500,000 to buy into the wholesale capacity service of CCWSA. The city has to submit a letter in order to start a negotiating process. Councilmember Proctor stated that this has come through the committee and was recommended. Councilmember Proctor stated that this is not a commitment to proceed, it is a commitment to explore.			
CONCLUSION: Mayor Lawrence called for a motion to approve. Councilmember Proctor made a motion to approve. Councilmember Foust provided a second. Motion to approve passed unanimously.			
ACTION ITEMS Approved	PERSON RESPONSIBLE N/A	DEADLINE N/A	

AGENDA ITEM: Committee Reports		PRESENTER: Sonia Jammes
<p>Updates on committees include that Gennett Drive is open and today WastePro started residential service with the city.</p> <p>The Perrow Park Committee is in the process of interviewing architects.</p> <p>Ms. Jammes stated that Lee Newton Park had been vandalized. The park sustained damage to light poles, power receptacles and trash cans. The park is temporarily closed. Ms. Jammes has requested a written commitment from Georgia Power to verify there are no dangerous lines before reopening the park. Ms. Jammes stated that staff will be bringing a request to council to potentially change the layout with professional help in the design.</p>		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
	N/A	N/A

AGENDA ITEM: Executive Session		PRESENTER: Mayor Steve Lawrence
<p>DISCUSSION:</p> <p>Mayor Lawrence called for a motion to go into Executive Session for the discussion of legal purpose. Councilmember Looney made a motion to go into Executive Session. Councilmember Sneve proved a second. Motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Mayor Lawrence made a motion to go back into regular council session. Councilmember Looney made a motion. Councilmember Sneve provided a second. Motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Mayor Lawrence called for a motion to enter into Executive Session for Personal and Real Estate purpose. Councilmember Sneve made a motion to approve. Councilmember Foust proved a second. Motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Mayor Lawrence made a motion to go back into regular council session. Councilmember Looney made a motion. Councilmember Sneve provided a second. Motion passed unanimously.</p>		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None	N/A	N/A

AGENDA ITEM: Adjourn		PRESENTER: Mayor Steve Lawrence
<p>DISCUSSION:</p> <p>Mayor Lawrence called for a motion to adjourn.</p> <p>CONCLUSION:</p> <p>Councilmember Looney made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Sneve provided he second. Motion to approve passed unanimously. Mayor Lawrence adjourned the meeting.</p>		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Adjourn	N/A	N/A



 Mayor


 City Clerk