

MINUTES

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

January 5, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.

GEORGE A. SMITH MEETING ROOM

Call to Order, Invocation, & Pledge and Roll Call (00:01 – 2:18)

The Council of the City of Jackson met in a regular session on Tuesday, January 5, 2021, at 9:00 am via Go-To-Meeting due to the COVID -19 pandemic. Mayor Scott Conger called the meeting to order and asked Councilmember David Cisco to lead us in the invocation and Allegiance Pledge. The Mayor then called the roll. Councilmembers Ernest Brooks II, Harvey Buchanan, David Cisco, Johnny Dodd, Russ McKelvey, Gary Pickens, Ross Priddy, Paul Taylor, and Marda Wallace were present. For the City of Jackson, Mr. Alex Reed, Mayor's Office, Mr. Stan Pilant, Planning. And also present was Sandy Maxwell, recorder of the minutes. For the full details, listen to the January 5, 2021 video at <https://www.youtube.com/CityofJacksonTN731>.

Approval of Minutes (2:20 – 2:28):

The minutes for December 1, 2020 meetings were approved and signed.

Proclamations:

None

Invitation for Public Comment (2:29 – 2:32)

Mayor Scott Conger reminded the audience this is a public hearing. Anyone wishing to speak in favor of or opposition to any item on first reading, please raise your hand at the appropriate time.

First Reading

- 1. Consideration of an Ordinance to barricade an unnamed north/south alley between East College Street, East Lafayette Street, North Liberty Street & North Highland Avenue for the purpose of closing it to vehicular traffic (2:34 – 21:14)**

Stan Pilant, Planning Department, presented the above reading. After the reading, Mayor Conger asked if anyone had a public comment. Jessica Shea came forward. She said that she is the building owner at 109 East Lafayette Street, which shares the alley. The building is a 500-5000 mixed commercial property; the first floor is a business and the second floor is a condo where she currently resides. She said the condo and the garage entrances are in the alley, about halfway down the alley. If the alley is closed, she could not access her garage, and she would have to carry her groceries from the city parking lot through the alley to the entrance; it would be inconvenient. She stated that she was also concerned with the property value and the condo's rentability in the future if a car could not access the garage. She said that she has photos available and could email them out. She added that someone in code enforcement called her about coming to inspect the building, but no one has there to her knowledge.

After some questioning and discussion, Councilmember Dodd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Brooks, to table this item until the council can gather more information. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

Second Reading

1. Consideration of Proposed Budget Amendments:

- **\$154,100.00 Proceeds from Sale of 5 Walnut Grove Road (21:16 – 21:55)**

Councilmember Taylor made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Brooks, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

- **\$151,044.56 Donation from Amerigroup to Replace Playground Equipment (21:55 – 22:43)**

Councilmember Dodd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Brooks, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

- **\$2,000.00 AARP Age-Friendly Grant for Library (22:43 – 23:26)**

Councilmember Buchanan made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Taylor, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

- 1. Consideration of a Resolution to Support the U.S. Postal Service Private Home Mail and Package Delivery in Single-Family Communities in the City of Jackson – submitted by Councilmembers Wallace and McKelvey (23:27 – 26:29)**

Councilmember McKelvey made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wallace, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, except Cisco, who abstained, the motion passed 8-0-1.

- 2. Consideration of a Resolution to Honor the Memory of Thomas Clark Shaw – submitted by Alex Reed (26:31 – 27:26)**

Councilmember Brooks made a motion, seconded by Councilmember McKelvey, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, except Cisco, who abstained, the motion passed 8-0-1.

- 3. Boards:**

- a. Anti-Poverty Task Force: Appointment of Travis Franklin, Mark Reid, and Ariel McGahey, to replace Kyle Lutz, Haley Coble, and Michael Morris (27:27 – 28:36)**

Councilmember Buchanan made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Taylor, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

4. Consideration of Budget Amendments less than \$10,000.00 (28:37 – 29:20)

Councilmember Taylor made a motion, seconded by Councilmember McKelvey, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

5. Consideration of Invoices over \$10,000.00 (29:21 – 29:57)

Councilmember Dodd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Taylor, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

X. ADJOURN (30:04).



SCOTT CONGER, MAYOR