

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

March 3, 2026 – 9:00 A.M

GEORGE A. SMITH MEETING ROOM

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, PLEDGE, AND ROLL CALL (00:00 - 01:03)

The City Council of the City of Jackson met in a regular session on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. Mayor Scott Conger called the meeting to order. Councilmember J.P. Stovall led us in the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. The Mayor then called the roll. Councilmembers Candice Busby, Julie Holt, Larry Lowrance, Russ McKelvey, Frank McMeen, JP Stovall, and Marda Wallace were present. Councilmembers Dodd and Donnell were absent. Also, present was Markeisha Johnson Recorder of the Minutes. For complete details of the meeting, please refer to the March 3, 2026, video available on the City of Jackson website: [jacksontn.gov/Government/Mayor & Council/Council Meeting Archives](http://jacksontn.gov/Government/Mayor%20&%20Council/Council%20Meeting%20Archives).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (01:10 - 01:18)

The minutes for February 3, 2026, meeting were approved as presented and signed.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS (01:19 – 17:49)

- Greatest American Clean-Up Proclamation
- JDDC's Annual Report Summary

INVITATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT (17:52 –17:54)

No public comments were received

FIRST READING

1. Proposed Budget Amendment #68 to Recognize and Appropriate

\$31,012.00 Insurance Recovery for Police Vehicle (18:09 – 18:26)

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

2. Proposed Budget Amendment #72 to Recognize and Appropriate

\$350,000.00 Development Contribution from Chick-fil-A (18:28 – 21:10)

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

SECOND READING

1. Proposed Budget Amendment #55 to Recognize \$13,158.71 Insurance

Recovery and to Appropriate for Repairs (21:12 – 21:27)

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

2. Proposed Budget Amendment #59 to Recognize \$10,000.00 Donation

from Dixie-Georgia Pacific to JPD (21:28 – 21:41)

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

- 3. Proposed Budget Amendment #64 to Recognize \$2,941,400.04 in Additional Revenue and to Appropriate or Adjust \$2,746,214.97 in Additional, Unbudgeted, or New Expenditures (21:42 – 22:08)**

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

- 4. Proposed Budget Amendment #65 to Reallocate \$277,912.00 in Personnel Expenses from Various Departments to H&S (22:09 – 23:36)**

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

- 5. Proposed Budget Amendment #66 to Recognize \$25,990,000 and Appropriate \$23,827,227.87 from the Proceeds of Series 2026 Debt Issue and Return \$ 2,162,772.13 to Fund Balance as Reimbursement for Projects Already Commenced (23:38 – 24:31)**

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

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Resolution to adopt a Plan of Service for and to annex approximately 7.8 acres, more or less, in the southeast corner of Highway 45 N and Ashport Rd (Tax Map 33, Parcels 30 & 31) to correct a Scrivener's error (24:38 – 25:31)**

Councilmember McMeen made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Busby, to approve the agenda as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed unanimously.

- 2. Resolution to adopt a Plan of Service for and to annex approximately 5.45 acres, more or less, in the northwest corner of Airways Boulevard and Fiberglass Rd (Tax map 76, Parcel 46) to correct a Scrivener's error (25:33 - 25:54)**

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

- 3. Resolution to adopt a Plan of Service for and to annex approximately 2.16 acres, more or less, east of Moize Creek and Bowling Drive (portion of Tax Map 33, Parcel 22) to correct a Scrivener's error (25:55 – 26:54)**

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

- 4. Consideration of an amendment to the contract with Neel-Schaffer for professional engineering services related to the Great Wolf Lodge Access Rd (26:55 – 30:35)**

Councilmember Holt made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Stovall, to approve the agenda item submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Resolution to Memorialize Dr. Melvin Wright, Sr by designating N Hays Avenue, from E College St to Lexington Ave “Dr. Melvin Wright, Sr Boulevard” (30:38 – 31:02)

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

6. Consideration of a Resolution for participation in Cooperative Purchasing Agreements (31:04 - 31:20)

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

7. Consideration of a contract with Alpha One Apparel, LLC for JPD police uniforms, outerwear, and duty gear (31:21 – 31:36)

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

8. Consideration of a contract with Ford Construction for Street Resurfacing (31:37 – 32:14)

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

9. Consideration of a contract with Republic Services for solid waste disposal services (32:15 – 34:08)

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

10. Consideration of a Resolution to support the State of TN Office of Criminal Justice Programs STOP Law Enforcement Domestic Violence Investigator Grant for \$80,000 with a 20% match required from the City, for a continuation of a previous STOP grant funding the salary of a Domestic Violence Investigator (34:10 – 34:34)

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

11. Recommendation for Mayor Compensation (34:35 – 43:01)

Councilmember Busby made a motion, seconded by Councilmember McKelvey, to approve the agenda item as submitted.

Councilmember Lowrance made a motion to amend the vehicle allowance within the benefits package; however, the motion failed due to a lack of a second. The Council then proceeded with the original motion.

Upon a call for a vote, the motion passed with five (5) votes in favor, two (2) opposed, (Lowrance and Stovall).

12. Recommendation for City Council Compensation (43:02 – 53:01)

Councilmember Busby made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wallace, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, the motion failed.


Councilmember Holt then made a motion for the council compensation to remain the same, seconded by Councilmember McKelvey. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed with six (6) votes in favor, one (1) opposed (Busby).

13. Budget Amendments less than \$10,000 (53:02–

14. Consideration of Invoices over \$10,000 - 53:16)

Councilmember Dodd 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.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. (53:20)



SCOTT CONGER, MAYOR