MINUTES FOR MAY 13, 2024

TOWN OF JACKSON

A public hearing was held on May 13, 2024 at 5:45 p.m. at the Jackson Volunteer Fire Department located at 1631 Charter Street, Jackson, LA 70748. All board members present. The ordinance entitled “Billing for American Municipal Service Collection Company for the Town of Jackson” as open to the public for discussion. After public comments, public hearing closed.

The regular meeting for the Town of Jackson was held on May 13, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the Jackson Volunteer Fire Department. The meeting was called to order by Mayor James Norsworthy, thanking everyone for their attendance as the Mayor proceeded. All motions passed unanimously unless stated otherwise.

Roll Call by the Town Clerk, Annissa Woodard; all present.

Prayer and Pledge lead by William Free. .

Approval of agenda / additions or deletions. Moved to approve agenda as written by David Guillory, seconded by Mike Harrell, motion carried.

Approval of minutes from the April 2024 meeting. Moved by William Free, seconded byRafe Stewart, motion carried.

Approval of Bills. Raft Stewart informed the board one bill was a duplicate, all others reviewed and ready to be paid, moved by Rafe Stewart and seconded by Don Havard to pay the bills, motion carried.

Budget versus actual. Copy of current budget versus actual status of the expenditures provided to board, no action taken.

Old Business

1. One bid was mailed to town, opened in public meeting, bid below minimum bid requested, bid rejected.

New Business:

1. Moved to pass ordinance entitled Billing for American Municipal Service Collection Company for the Town of Jackson by Mike Harrell, seconded by William Free, motion carried.
2. Resolution from the East Feliciana Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan was presented to the board, motion by Mike Harrell, seconded by David Guillory, motion carried.
3. Resolution to sell surplus maintenance vehicles x2 through LAMATS passed, moved by Don Havard, seconded by William Free, motion carried.
4. Resolution allowing Mayor and Town Clerk to sign grant papers for the “Sewer Grant”, moved by David Guillory, seconded by Mike Harrell, motion carried.
5. Chief of Police, Fred Allen appeared and requested the Board of Trustees hire Justin Nevels as a full time Deputy Marshall at twenty-five ($25.00) per hour, beginning May 24, 2024.. Moved by Don Havard, seconded by Mike Harrell, motion carried.
6. Maintenance supervisor and department head, Matt Leggett requested permission to advertise for a full time hire position in maintenance department. Moved by Don Havard, seconded by David Guillory to advertise for such position. Motion carried.
7. Matt Leggett, Maintenance Department Head requested pay increase for foreman position in maintenance department, an increase of two ($2.00) dollars per hour. Moved by Don Havard, seconded by David Guillory, motion carried. Increase beginning next pay period.
8. Property at 1749 Cedar Street, owner appeared, Thomas Jacocks. Explained his home has been requested to be demolished, owner stated he and his father were going to remove the home at their expense within ninety (90) days from the date of the meeting. Moved by Rafe Stewart to allow homeowner to demolish their home and clear the property within ninety (90) days, seconded by Mike Harrell, motion carried.
9. All remaining property owners listed on the agenda will be personally serviced for the upcoming town meeting.

Maintenance Report. Sewer Treatment plant ready for bid. Report by Department Head, Leggett.

Police Report. No report given.

Code Enforcement Report. No report given.

Attorney Report. No report given.

Mayor’s comments. Mayor James Norsworthy thanked the office of homeland security for assisting in removing debris from the most recent storm. Mayor Norsworthy also thanked everyone who attended and assisted with Love the Boot clean up day as well as the maintenance department for their work after the storms and special thanks to Allison Farris for her cleaning of the streets, especially main street.

Moved by Harrell, Mike and seconded by Havard, Don to adjoin, motion carried, meeting adjourned.