

MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF JACKSON
SEPTEMBER 14, 2020

The Town of Jackson meeting was held in the Jackson Fire Department Hall. Prior to the meeting a public hearing was held for the ordinances amending the 2019-2020 Budget and Adopting the 2020-2021 Budget. A quorum was present and public comments heard. Public meeting closed.

Town of Jackson regular meeting began at 6:00 p.m. Call to order by Mayor James “Jimmy” Norsworthy, III. All board members present, Mike Harrell, William Free, David Guillory, Don Havard, and Rafe Stewart.

Prayer by David Guillory and Mayor Norsworthy lead the pledge. Roll Call affirming all members present. All items on the floor if not stated otherwise were passed unanimously.

Additions and Approval of the Agenda. Old business involving a drainage issue was added to the agenda by Stewart and second by Havard and agenda approved.

Approval of the May 2020, June 2020, July 2020 and August 2020 minutes after review.

Approval of the Bills. Stewart presented a financial report to the board of trustees and public, thereafter Stewart moved for approval of payment of the bills, motion second by Havard, motion passed.

Financial Report, Budget versus Actual Report. Holli Gilmore presented a summary of the budget and compared to actual spending year to date. A member of the public, Jim Parker, pointed out the date was incorrect on the report and recommended correcting the date. Stewart moved for a roll call vote for approval of the financial report. Report passed unanimously.

Old Business. Information only, Mayor Norsworthy discussed the publishing and posting of the newly vacant positions of Town Clerk and Maintenance Supervisor. Mayor Norsworthy also discussed the hiring process and interviewing process expected.

Culvert issues on Market Street and Jackson Heights. The hired engineers assessed the issues, and their recommendations and projected cost of repairs require bidding. Motion by Free to request more bids, second by Guillory, motion passed without public comment.

Dianne Jackson; right of way and trailer issue. Moved by Free to rescind the occupancy permit granted in March and enforce the Town of Jackson ordinances by requiring Dianne Jackson to remove her mobile home on the lot it is located for lack of the required square footage. Second by Stewart. Roll Call vote requested. In favor of revoking the occupancy permit, Havard, Rafe, Free and Harrell. Against revocation of occupancy permit, Guillory. Motion passed.

New Business. Change of billing dates for water and sewage. Moved by Harrell and second by Havard. Motion passed.

AT & T Towner on Harvey property discussed. Informative only.

Amended 2019-2020 Budget. Moved by Stewart to accept as is. Second by Havard. Motion passed.

Adoption of 2020-2021 Budget. Moved by Harrell and second by Havard. Motion passed to adopt the 2020-2021 Budget for the Town of Jackson.

Appointment of Chris Farris to Fire District. Motion by Free and second by Guillory, motion passed.

Maintenance Report. No written report presented. Mayor Norsworthly discussed current affairs in the maintenance office. The hiring of a new maintenance supervisor published.

Police report. Newly elected chief of police, Fred Allen stated nothing to report, all is quite in the town.

Mayor's Report. Debris removal process. Informed public to be sure to call the police jury if debris is left at the road for pickup. Without calling the debris will not be picked up, recently 15-20 addresses were provided to the police jury for debris pick up in the Town of Jackson. Junk cars and abandoned vehicles. Notices were sent out, some vehicles removed, others are in the process. The current interim Town Clerk, Susan Guillory shall remain in place until a new clerk is hired.

Motion to adjourn by Havard, second by Stewart. meeting adjourned.