

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The City of Jesup Board of Commissioners held a special called meeting Tuesday, April 16, 2019, at 5:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber. Mayor David Earl Keith called the meeting to order. Roll call was as follows:

Mayor, David Earl Keith	Present
Commissioner, Shirlene Armstrong	Present
Commissioner, Don A. Darden	Present
Commissioner, Nick Harris	Present
Commissioner, Bill Harvey	Present
Commissioner, Ray House	Present
Commissioner, Stanley Todd	Present
City Attorney, Mike Conner	Present
City Manager, Mike Deal	Present
Police Chief, Mike Lane	Present

The Lord's Prayer was led by City Attorney Conner.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Police Chief Lane.

Commissioner Harris made motion seconded by Commissioner Armstrong to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of an Ordinance to rezone 788 South Third Street from P-R to C-3, contingent upon a 20-foot buffer and directional lighting.

Commissioner Darden abstained. All remaining Council voted yes.

Commissioner Harris made motion seconded by Commissioner House to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of an Ordinance to impose an 8% Hotel/Motel Excise Tax.

All Council voted yes.

Mayor Keith stated Mitchell Sebastian previously asked for his request for a variance at 5 Buckboard Trail to be postponed, and requested a meeting with City Manager Deal and Building Inspector Don Herrin. City Manager Deal noted Mr. Sebastian didn't show up for the meeting.

No action was taken by Council on variance request; therefore, vote by Planning and Zoning Board to deny Mr. Sebastian's request stands.

John Rogers, resident of E. Plum Street, complained about a bad smell coming from a neighbor's house across the street, and asked Council to consider doing something to address the problem. Police Chief Lane explained the lady has been charged and paid several fines for not cleaning her property.

City Attorney Conner noted the City has an Ordinance in place to address unfit buildings, including tearing down a house.

Council asked City Manager Deal, Police Chief Lane and Building Inspector Herrin to meet with City Attorney Conner to see what can be done, and report findings at next regular meeting.

Chris Harris, City Auditor, reviewed the 2018 Audit Report. He noted fund balance was up, and expenditures were down from previous fiscal year.

City Engineer Bill Shuman reported the City has serious road problems on Bay Acres Road and Tech Drive, and recommended Council award 2019 LMIG Project bid to Georgia Asphalt Producers to repair these problems. Total estimated cost is \$238,072.88. (\$184,684.50 from LMIG and \$53,387.88 from SPLOST IV).

Commissioner Todd made motion seconded by Commissioner Armstrong to award bid on 2019 LMIG project to Georgia Asphalt Producers to repair road problems on Bay Acres Road and Tech Drive.

All Council voted yes.

City Engineer Shuman stated the Wastewater Treatment Plant Solar Array should be complete by May 31, 2019, but the City has agreed to extend GEFA loan closeout date until August 1, 2019, to prevent needing another loan modification.

Commissioner House made motion seconded by Commissioner Darden to approve a Resolution to modify GEFA loan closeout and repayment dates.

All Council voted yes.

City Clerk/Treasurer Rose Jackson reviewed the February and March 2019 financial statements. Revenues continue to be more than expenditures.

City Manager Deal informed Council that Jodi Ammons, Chamber Board Chairperson, and Deena Bennett, Chamber Executive Director, want to donate the green space in front of the old Chamber of Commerce to the City. This includes the brick sign, gazebo, and tree.

Commissioner Darden stated some trees at the park in his district need to be removed.

Mayor Keith announced BBQ & Blues event will be held at the Wayne County Farmers Market on Saturday, April 27, at 6:00 P. M.

Mayor Keith announced Wayne County Chamber of Commerce Member Appreciation Day will be held at Wayne County Farmers Market on Tuesday, May 7, 2019, at 11:00 A. M.

Meeting Adjourned,

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Rose Marcus-Jackson  
City Clerk/Treasurer