

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The City of Jesup Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting Tuesday, August 6, 2019, at 7:00 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 Armstrong made motion seconded by Commissioner Harvey to approve the minutes of the regular meeting dated July 2, 2019, and the special called meeting dated July 16, 2019.

All Council voted yes on minutes of regular meeting dated July 2, 2019.

Commissioner Darden and Commissioner House abstained on minutes of special called meeting dated July 16, 2019. All remaining Council voted yes.

Water Supervisor Anthony Crawford reported if the City provides labor and materials, the estimated cost to extend water service from the high school to New Life Church future site would be \$45,000. He noted the Church has agreed to pay \$20,000, leaving the City with an estimated cost of \$25,000.

Commissioner Harvey stated there are not a lot of people in his district in favor of spending taxpayer money on this project.

Commissioner Todd noted the City is going to have to extend water service to this area in the future regardless.

Commissioner Harris stated he had a problem with spending almost \$200,000 on this project, but not the new estimated cost.

Pastor Drawdy stated the church would be willing to pay \$25,000 if the City's cost exceeds their max amount.

Commissioner Harris suggested increasing the City's max cost to \$30,000.

Commissioner Harvey stated he will vote yes only if the City will not spend any more than \$30,000 on this project. City Manager Deal assured him the City would not exceed \$30,000.

Commissioner Todd made motion seconded by Commissioner Harris to proceed with extending water service from the high school to New Life Church future site at a cost to the City not to exceed \$30,000.

All Council voted yes.

Commissioner Harris made motion seconded by Commissioner Armstrong to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of a Small Cell Tower Ordinance to regulate wireless facilities and antennas.

All Council voted yes.

Commissioner Todd made motion seconded by Commissioner Harris to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of an Ordinance to amend the City’s current Wireless Facilities Ordinance to include wireless companies that are not on City right-of-way such as on a water tower.

All Council voted yes.

Mike Thomas, with Georgia Association of Water Professionals, presented Water Department Superintendent Anthony Crawford with a Gold Award in recognition of 100% compliance with the drinking water system. He also presented Mr. Crawford with a Certificate of Distinguished Merit.

Public Works Director Eddie Williams asked for permission to spend \$13,675.00 to purchase (2) solar-powered flashing school zone signs to be installed on N. Fourth Street. SPLOST funds will be used for this purchase.

Commissioner Harvey asked has anyone contacted the School Board about helping to pay for these signs. City Attorney Conner stated the school cannot legally install signs on City streets.

Commissioner House made motion seconded by Commissioner Harris to purchase (2) solar-powered flashing school zone signs in the amount of \$13,675.00 to be paid out of SPLOST.

All Council voted yes.

Assistant Public Works Director Allen Boyd recommended Council award bid on a 2019 compact excavator to Flint Construction in the amount of \$39,995.00. He noted the low bidder, Bobcat of Savannah, is outside of the 35-mile radius as specified in specs.

Commissioner House made motion seconded by Commissioner Harris to award bid on a 2019 compact excavator to Flint Construction in the amount of \$39,995.00.

All Council voted yes.

Bids were as follows:

Bobcat of Savannah	2019 Bobcat E32R	\$39,829.36
Low Country Kubota	2019 Kubota 435-4R3	\$48,150.00
Yancey Brothers	2019 CAT 303.5 E2	\$51,054.00
Flint Construction	2019 John Deere 30G	\$39,995.00
Low Country Machinery	2019 JCB 48Z-1	\$56,750.00

Mayor Keith stated City Attorney Conner has amended the Alcohol Beverage Ordinance giving the City Manager authority to approve Alcohol Beverage License applications.

Commissioner Harris made motion seconded by Commissioner House to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of an Ordinance to amend the Alcohol Beverage Ordinance.

All Council voted yes.

Commissioner Harris made motion seconded by Commissioner House to dispense with the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of an Ordinance to amend the Alcohol Beverage Ordinance.

All Council voted yes.

City Attorney Conner stated City Clerk/Treasurer Jackson contacted him about a question someone had about Council calling a special meeting. He explained 3 Commissioners could call a special meeting to handle official business. He also encouraged Council not to conduct any official business in a Work Session because it is misleading to the public.

City Engineer Shuman presented Council with a list of road projects for the proposed 2023 SPLOST. He noted the projects he's submitting total \$4,292,700.

Commissioner Armstrong made motion seconded by Commissioner House to approve the list of road projects for the proposed 2023 SPLOST in the amount of \$4,292,700.

All Council voted yes.

Commissioner Todd stated repair work is continuing on the McMillan Creek Greenway Boardwalk, and suggested having a grand re-opening after the project is complete.

Commissioner Harvey requested having a quick Cracker Williams Park Committee meeting tomorrow at 9:30 a.m.

Commissioner Darden stated Children at Play signs are needed on Boston Street.

Commissioner Darden also requested fencing in the park on Garbutt Road to keep out cars. Mayor Keith suggested installing posts and cable instead of a fence to save money.

Commissioner Todd asked Police Chief Lane were his Officers trained to handle an active shooter situation. Police Chief Lane stated most of his officers have taken the 4-day Active Shooter training through FLETC in Brunswick.

Mayor Keith reminded Council election qualifying period will be held August 19 – 23, 2019, and thanked the City employees for the work they do.

Meeting Adjourned,

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Rose Marcus-Jackson  
City Clerk/Treasurer