

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES**

The City of Jesup Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting on Tuesday, December 7, 2010, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber. Mayor Shaw called the meeting to order. Roll call was as follows:

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| Mayor, Herb Shaw | Present |
| Commissioner, Don A. Darden, Sr. | Present |
| Commissioner, Gerald DeWitt | Present |
| Commissioner, Raymond D. House II | Present |
| Commissioner, Geneva Nichols | Present |
| Commissioner, Ricky Reddish, Sr. | Present |
| Commissioner, Bobby Townsend | Present |
| City Attorney, Alvin Leaphart | Present |
| City Manager, Onda Woodard | Present |
| Police Chief, Glenn Takaki | Present |

The Lord's Prayer was led by Mayor Shaw.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Police Chief Takaki.

Commissioner Townsend made motion seconded by Commissioner Nichols to approve the minutes of the regular meeting dated November 2, 2010.

Commissioner DeWitt abstained. All remaining Council present voted yes.

Commissioner Townsend made motion seconded by Commissioner Nichols to reduce the retirement benefit for new employees only from 2% to 1%, effective January 1, 2011.

All Council voted yes.

City Manager Woodard stated Teresa Scott, with D. O. T., informed her the Train Depot's concept report has been approved; and the plans are in the process of being approved.

City Inspector Truett Thompson updated Council on the D. O. T. projects and Train Depot time line. He noted the Train Depot bid date is projected for May 17, 2011, with construction beginning on June 16, 2011.

Council requested City Manager Woodard to schedule a joint meeting with Bron Cleveland and Associates and D. O. T. to complain about the Train Depot time line, and determine ways to speed up the progress.

Commissioner House made motion seconded by Commissioner Nichols to approve the 2011 Alcoholic Beverage license renewals, with a 6-month probation for VFW Post 4583 and The Daily News.

All Council voted yes.

2011 Alcoholic Beverage license renewals were as follows:

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| VFW Post 4583 | Beer, Wine and Pouring-Liquor License |
| PMB, Inc. d/b/a The Daily News | Beer, Wine and Pouring-Liquor License |
| The Legion Lounge | Beer, Wine and Pouring-Liquor License |
| Alec's Sports Bar and Grill | Beer, Wine and Pouring-Liquor License |
| Goey's Pizza | Beer-Consumption on Premises |
| Pizza Hut of America | Beer-Consumption on Premises |
| New China Restaurant | Beer-Consumption on Premises |
| Stories Restaurant | Beer and Wine-Consumption on Premises |
| KDR Properties, Inc. d/b/a American Jacks | Beer and Wine-Package Only |
| Shreyan Food Mart, Inc | Beer and Wine-Package Only |

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| Flash Foods, #180 | Beer and Wine-Package Only |
| Flash Foods, #193 | Beer and Wine-Package Only |
| Friendly Express, #1 | Beer and Wine-Package Only |
| Friendly Express #79 | Beer and Wine-Package Only |
| Harvey's Supermarket #2365 | Beer and Wine-Package Only |
| Jesup Discount Corner | Beer and Wine-Package Only |
| Sonac, Inc. | Beer and Wine-Package Only |
| Walmart Super Center #2630 | Beer and Wine-Package Only |
| Jesup Tobacco and Liquor Outlet | Beer, Wine and Liquor-Package Only |
| PMB, Inc. d/b/a Mr. B's | Beer, Wine and Liquor-Package Only |
| A to Z Package Store | Beer, Wine and Liquor-Package Only |
| Jalaram Enterprise d/b/a Oak Tree | Beer, Wine and Liquor-Package Only |
| Vel's Package Store | Beer, Wine and Liquor-Package Only |
| Blue Room Restaurant and Lounge | Beer, Wine and Liquor-Pouring License |
| Habaneros Mexican Restaurant | Beer, Wine and Liquor-Pouring License |
| Laredo Mexican Restaurant | Beer, Wine and Liquor-Pouring License |
| Mi Sombrero Restaurant | Beer, Wine and Liquor-Pouring License |
| Pine Forest Country Club | Beer, Wine and Liquor-Pouring License |
| Side Trax | Beer, Wine and Liquor-Pouring License |

Commissioner Townsend made motion seconded by Commissioner House to approve a 2011 Alcoholic Beverage License for Bavarian's Restaurant located at 298 West Orange Street.

All Council voted yes.

City Inspector Thompson recommended Council approve a \$10,000 Seven Rivers RC & D Grant to help control invasive plants such as Chinese privet, Chinese tallow, and Chinaberry along McMillan Creek Greenway.

Commissioner DeWitt made motion seconded by Commissioner House to accept the \$10,000 Seven Rivers RC & D Grant, and amend the 2010-11 Budget.

All Council voted yes.

Mayor Shaw stated the approval of the Water Restrictions Ordinance has been taken off the Agenda.

City Manager Woodard stated the City has major problems at the Treatment Plant due to the clarifiers going down on Sunday.

Stanley Efav, Treatment Plant Superintendent, requested approval to replace the 2 catwalks, fabricate and install platform, and do electrical repairs on the aeration basin. Also, the sludge needs to be pumped out of the clarifier in order to make the needed repairs.

Commissioner DeWitt made motion seconded by Commissioner House to approve up to \$78,000 for the initial repair of the Wastewater Treatment Plant, and amend the 2010-11 Budget.

All Council voted yes.

City Inspector Thompson recommended Council approve Terry Kidd as the low bidder on demolition of dilapidated building at 498 West Pine Street.

All Council voted yes.

Bids were as follows:

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| Terry Kidd | \$2,950.00 |
| Kelvin Boyles | \$11,500.00 |
| Jerrold Grantham | \$4,500.00 |
| L & G Services | \$4,300.00 |
| Curbs and Gutters | \$5,820.00 |

Commissioner Nichols recommended giving each full-time employee a \$300 Christmas bonus, and each part-time employee \$150 because no cost-of-living raises or bonuses have been given since 2008.

Commissioner Nichols made motion seconded by Commissioner DeWitt to give each full-time employee a \$300 Christmas bonus, and \$150 for each part-time employee.

Commissioner Townsend voted no. All remaining Council voted yes.

City Manager Woodard informed Council a citizen would like to donate some property to the City that adjoins property currently owned by the City.

Commissioner DeWitt stated a Due Diligence Inspection is required before the land can be accepted.

Commissioner Nichols recommended decreasing the annual Chamber of Commerce membership dues from \$1,500 to \$500 per year.

Council suggested investigating what the City should be paying for Chamber membership dues, and report findings at the next regular meeting.

City Manager Woodard thanked Council, on behalf of the City employees, for the Christmas bonus.

Meeting Adjourned,

Rose Marcus-Jackson
City Clerk/Treasurer