

**MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, March 2, 2015**

Members Present:

Mayor John Weaver
Jim Looney
John Foust
Anne Sneve
Allison Boyle
Tony Fountain

Staff:

Lisa Hoyle
Sonny Underwood
Greg Lovell
Steve Roper
Jerry Blackwell

Guests in Attendance:

Mari Livsey
Fetch Your News
Paul Poore
Evelyn Williams
Ray Smith
Ronald Wheeler

Members Absent:

None

Legal Counsel:

Bill Pickett

Press:

Angela Reinhardt

Mayor Weaver called the meeting to order promptly at 6:00 p.m. He requested Councilmember John Foust give the invocation. Councilmember Anne Sneve led in the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Weaver asked that the agenda be reviewed and approved by Council. Mayor Weaver entertained a motion to adopt the agenda. Councilmember Allison Boyle made a motion to approve the agenda and Councilmember Tony Fountain seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

City Clerk Lisa Hoyle read the minutes of the February 2, 2015 regular meeting. Councilmember Anne Sneve made a motion to adopt the minutes as read. Councilmember Allison Boyle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Item A under Old Business, Mayor Weaver recognized Jerry Blackwell to present to Council three quotes received on the purchase of energy efficient LED lighting to replace the current street lights. Mr. Blackwell stated that he had worked with the Finance Department to obtain three quotes for the lights as follows:

- Energy Saving Lighting \$4,743.75
- 1000 Bulbs \$5,050.72
- Be Green Lighting \$3,528.36

Mr. Blackwell recommended that the City purchase the lighting from the lowest quote Be Green Lighting. Councilmember Jim Looney made a motion for the City to purchase lighting from the low quote of \$3,528.36 from Be Green Lighting. Councilmember John Foust seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Item B under Old Business, Mayor Weaver recognized Safety Committee Councilmember Allison Boyle and Councilmember John Foust, Police Chief Greg Lovell, as well as City Attorney Bill Pickett to make a recommendation regarding roadway solicitation. Following discussion, it was the Safety Committee's recommendation to follow the State Law regarding roadway solicitation. Mayor Weaver entertained a motion that the City draw up an ordinance regarding roadway solicitation in accordance with State Law. Councilmember Jim Looney made such motion and to present the ordinance at the next council meeting. Councilmember Allison Boyle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Item A under New Business, Mayor Weaver recognized Ray Smith with the American Legion and Paul Poore of the Jasper Merchants Association along with several other members of both organizations. Mr. Smith presented to Chief Greg Lovell an envelope containing \$9,505 (money raised by both organizations) to be used to purchase new bulletproof vests for the Police Department. Mayor Weaver then asked Mr. Smith to inform Council about the upcoming bluegrass festival in May sponsored by the American Legion.

Item B under New Business, Mayor Weaver stated that an appointment must be made to replace Ms. Maxine Moore on the Industrial/Downtown/Jasper Development Authorities. Mayor Weaver stated that Ken Pint had expressed interest in replacing Ms. Moore and it was his recommendation to replace Ms. Moore with Mr. Pint. Mayor Weaver stated that although Mr. Pint was not a citizen of the city of Jasper, he was currently serving as CEO of Restaurant Interiors located in the city. Councilmember Allison Boyle made a motion to accept Mayor Weaver's recommendation. Councilmember Anne Sneve seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Item C under New Business, Mayor Weaver recognized Lisa Hoyle to present to council a Resolution required to renew the City's Section 125 plan. Following the reading of the resolution, Councilmember Tony Fountain made a motion to approve the resolution, Councilmember Anne Sneve seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Economic Developer Gerry Nechvatal gave a report to Council.

Finance Director Lisa Hoyle gave the financial report for the month of February 2015.


Lonnie Waters was not present to give the animal control report for the month of February 2015.

Chief Greg Lovell gave a report of police activities for the month of February 2015.

Chief Steve Roper gave a report of fire activities for the month of February 2015.

Councilmember Allison Boyle gave an update on the flooding of First Baptist Church.

Being no other business to come before Council, Councilmember Jim Looney made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council is scheduled to convene next at the regular meeting on April 6, 2015.



John W. Weaver
Mayor



Lisa J. Hoyle
City Clerk/Finance Director