

**City Council Meeting Minutes
November 2, 2020
Jacksonville, Alabama**

The City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama, met for a Called Organizational Council Meeting on November 2, 2020 at 7:30 a.m. in the Municipal Court Room at the Public Safety Complex, 911 Public Safety Drive, Jacksonville, Alabama.

OATHS OF OFFICE. Judge Alice Martin administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Johnny L. Smith and City Council Members Coty Galloway, Andrew Green, Sherry Laster, Tony Taylor and Terry Wilson.

30-Minute Breakfast Break.

City Clerk Brenda Sandoval called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. Upon roll call, the following Council Members were present: Terry Wilson, Tony Taylor, Coty Galloway, Andy Green and Sherry Laster. Mayor Johnny L. Smith, City Administrator Albertha Grant, and City Attorney Richard Rhea were present.

COVID-19 MEETING RULES. City Clerk read the COVID-19 meeting rules.

WAIVER OF NOTICE. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to approve the Waiver of Notice. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The City Clerk announced the motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA.

City Administrator noted there were amendments to the Agenda as follows:

Main Agenda:

Add:

Item 5a: Adoption of Agenda.

Item 15a: Consider action to reappoint Jennifer Weems as Municipal Judge.

A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Laster, to adopt the Agenda as amended. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The City Clerk announced the motion carried.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT. A motion was made by Council Member Green, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to elect Council Member Taylor as Council President of the City Council of the City of Jacksonville. Upon vote on the motion, the following roll call votes were

recorded: Yeas: Council Member Wilson, Council Member Galloway, Council Member Taylor, Council Member Green, and Council Member Laster; Nays: None. The City Clerk announced the motion carried.

City Clerk Brenda Sandoval transferred the meeting over to the newly elected Council President Taylor.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO-TEMPORE. A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Green, to elect Council Member Galloway as Council President Pro-Tempore for the Council of the City of Jacksonville. Upon vote on the motion, the following roll call votes were recorded: Yeas: Council President Taylor, Council Member Wilson, Council Member Green, Council Member Laster, and Council Member Galloway; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

RATIFY THE USE OF PRESENT DEPOSITORIES FOR MUNICIPAL FUNDS UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE COUNCIL SHALL PERMANENTLY DESIGNATE SUCH DEPOSITORIES, AND TO APPROVE STANDARD BANK RESOLUTIONS FOR EVERY CITY AND WATER WORKS, GAS AND SEWER BOARD ACCOUNT. A motion was made by Council Member Green, seconded by Council Member Galloway, to ratify the use of present depositories for Municipal funds until such time as the Council shall permanently designate such depositories, and to approve standard bank resolutions for every City and Water Works, Gas and Sewer Board account. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE MUNICIPALITY. No motion was made to approve all administrative officers and employees of the municipality shall continue in their respective positions. Council President Taylor opened the meeting up for discussion on this item. Council Member Wilson expressed the need to give the two new Council Members time to evaluate all positions so they can make an educated decision before voting. No action taken.

SUSPEND THE RULES FOR ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 2-77 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, ALABAMA. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to suspend the rules for the immediate consideration of an Ordinance to Amend Section 2-77 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama regarding the rules of order and procedure of the City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama. Upon roll call vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: Council President Taylor, Council Member Galloway, Council Member Wilson, Council Member Green, and Council Member Laster; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 2-77 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, ALABAMA. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to adopt an Ordinance to amend Section 2-77 of the Code of

Ordinances of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama regarding the rules of order and procedure of the City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

SUSPEND THE RULES FOR ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 2-26 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, ALABAMA.

A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Laster, to suspend the rules for the immediate consideration of an Ordinance to Amend Section 2-26 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama. Upon roll call vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: Council President Taylor, Council Member Galloway, Council Member Wilson, Council Member Green, and Council Member Laster; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 2-26 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, ALABAMA.

A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Laster, to adopt an Ordinance to amend Section 2-26 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASES AND EXECUTION OF CONTRACTS UP TO \$5,000.00 WITHOUT PRIOR AUTHORIZATION.

A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Galloway, to authorize the Mayor, or his designee as provided in writing, to approve purchases and execute contracts up to \$5,000.00 without prior authorization. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: None; Nays: All. The Council President announced the motion did not carry.

AMENDED APPROVAL OF PURCHASES AND EXECUTION OF CONTRACTS UP TO \$7,500.00 WITHOUT PRIOR AUTHORIZATION.

A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Galloway, to authorize the Mayor, or his designee as provided in writing, to approve purchases and execute contracts up to \$7,500.00 without prior authorization. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

REAPPOINT RICHARD RHEA AS CITY ATTORNEY. No action taken by Council.

REAPPOINT JENNIFER WEEMS AS MUNICIPAL JUDGE. No action taken by Council.

REAPPOINT RICHARD RHEA AS CITY PROSECUTOR. No action taken by Council.

REAPPOINT WILLIAM J. MILLER AS PUBLIC DEFENDER. No action taken by Council.

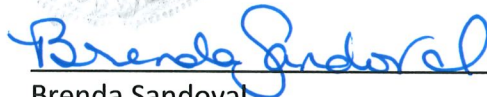
EXPENSE ACCOUNT FOR THE MAYOR. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to authorize an expense account for the Mayor in the amount budgeted each fiscal year by the Council. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS. The Council President asked if there was any other business. There were three (3).


- Council Member Green wanted to wish City Clerk Brenda Sandoval a Happy Birthday.
- Council Member Taylor wanted to welcome the new Council Members and stated he looked forward to working alongside them.
- Mayor Smith thanked everyone.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the meeting, a motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Green, to adjourn the meeting. The Council President announced the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

ATTEST:



Brenda Sandoval
City Clerk



Tony K. Taylor
Council President