

**City Council
Work Session Minutes
Jacksonville, Alabama
October 24, 2022**

The Council of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama, met on October 24, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Court Room of the Public Safety Complex, 911 Public Safety Drive SW, Jacksonville, Alabama for a Regular Work Session. Council President Tony Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following Council Members were present: Coty Galloway, Andrew Green, Sherry Laster, and Terry Wilson. Mayor Johnny L. Smith, City Administrator Albertha Grant, City Attorney Richard Rhea and City Clerk Brenda Long were present.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES. No changes to the minutes.

CIVIL SERVICE BOARD. Pat Borstorff with the Civil Service Board spoke to the Council about the request for an increase in the salary for the Civil Service Board Members being denied. Explained to the Council all the things the board members due and how much time they spend outside of the meetings accomplishing those things.

DAVID HALL, COMMANDER OF AMERICAN LEGION. Presented the Council with Project Restore Post 57 and requested the City donate at least \$5,000.00 towards the project. Council believes this project, being seen as you come into the city, and supporting the Veterans is a project they would like to help with. Council requested this be brought back to the next Work Session for discussion.

PROPOSED WELL AT PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX – MARK STEPHENS. Price at this time is \$52,000.00 not including the electrical and well house cover. This project will need bidded out due to the cost and Mark Stephens suggests having Utility Engineer Consultants proceed with the project. When asked, Mark Stephens believes it would cost more to fill the pond in than to move forward with the well. Council agrees to move forward.

CHRISTMAS PARADE, NOVEMBER 29, 2022, 6:30 P.M. Mayor Smith asked the Council to decide how they would like to ride in the parade. Council has agreed to two trucks with trailers for the Council and a car for the Mayor.

OTHER BUSINESS.

- Item on the Agenda for voting about cutting trees along the trail. These trees are near a bridge and if a strong storm comes through, could possibly take the bridge out.
- Item added to the Agenda for voting about tax abatement for Bear Knife. Bear is out of space and is doubling the area of the building, which will add jobs.
- Committee for interviewing and recommending a new Municipal Judge to replace Judge Jennifer Weems is recommending Jason Odom. Mayor introduced Mr. Odom.

ADJOURNMENT. The meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

ATTEST:



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Brenda Long
City Clerk



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Tony Taylor
Council President

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