

**\*\*Subject to Council Approval\*\***

**JONESVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
Minutes of October 21, 2020**

A meeting of the Jonesville City Council was held on Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at the Jonesville Fire Station, 114 W. Chicago Street, Jonesville, MI. Mayor Gerry Arno called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were: Tim Bowman, Jerry Drake, Brenda Guyse, George Humphries Jr., Delesha Padula and Andy Penrose.

Also present: Manager Gray, Treasurer Spahr, WWTP Supt. Mahoney, DPW Supt. Kyser, Fire Chief Adair, Attorney Lovinger, Megan Stiverson, Brendan Sanger, Stephen Daniell (Ferguson Waterworks) and Julie Games.

Councilman Bowman led the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

A motion was made by Brenda Guyse and supported by Jerry Drake to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Megan Stiverson, Candidate for District Court Judge, gave a brief presentation.

Brendan Sanger, Candidate for District Court Judge, gave a brief presentation.

Julie Games, Hillsdale County Commissioner, gave a brief update of the Hillsdale County Commission.

Mayor Gerry Arno presented Rick Mahoney with a Proclamation recognizing his 20 years of distinguished service to the citizens of Jonesville as the Superintendent of the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Rick has been an example to others and has garnered the respect of his peers in water and wastewater and will be missed by all. The Council wished Rick the best of success in his retirement and all the years to come.

Stephen Daniell, AMI Specialist for Ferguson Waterworks, provided information regarding the agreement for replacement of the remote water meter reading and access equipment. Mr. Daniell advised that after investigating the source of disruptions in the system it was determined that the installation of an additional gateway R900 on the existing radio tower located at 473 E. Chicago Street. Mr. Daniels stated that the total cost of the equipment and installation would be \$24,855.18 which Ferguson and suppliers are willing to pay \$19,855.18 and Jonesville has agreed to pay \$5,000.00 in two installments. The first installment of \$2,500 shall be within 90 days of completion of the installation and the second half to be paid 120 days after completion.

A motion was made by Delesha Padula and supported by Brenda Guyse to authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement between City of Jonesville and Ferguson Enterprises LLC for the replacement of remote water meter reading and access equipment. All in favor. Motion carried.

Jerry Drake made a motion and was supported by Brenda Guyse to approve an additional payment that was an inadvertent invoicing error for a subcontractor on the Iron Removal Plant Project in the amount of \$2,146.80. The error was an honest mistake with the general contractor, Parrish Excavating. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Andy Penrose and supported by Brenda Guyse to cast a vote for the proposed candidates for election to the MML Liability and Property Pool Board of Directors. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Fiscal Year 2020-21 1<sup>st</sup> quarter budget comparison (July 1, 2020 – September 30, 2020) was provided for Council.

The temporary policy to discontinue reservation of City-owned indoor and outdoor facilities for non-city functions through December 31, 2020 will remain in effect.

A motion was made by Jerry Drake and Brenda Guyse to approve the Accounts Payable for October 2020 totaling \$79,209.34. All in favor. Motion carried.

Brenda Guyse made a motion to approve the Council Minutes of September 16, 2020. Andy Penrose supported the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brenda Guyse and supported by Delesha Padula to approve the Closed Session Council Minutes of September 16, 2020. All in favor. Motion carried.

Updates were given by Department Heads, Manager Gray and Council.

At 7:36 p.m. a motion was made by Jerry Drake and supported by Brenda Guyse to move into closed session in accordance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act Section 15.268(e), to allow Council to consult with its attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending litigation. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Delesha Padula, Andy Penrose, Tim Bowman, Gerry Arno, Jerry Drake, Brenda Guyse and George Humphries Jr. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The meeting returned to open session at 7:48 p.m.

Brenda Guyse made a motion to approve the proposed stipulation in the matter of Wal-Mart Real Estate Business Trust vs City of Jonesville, and authorize the City Manager and City Assessor to execute the same. The motion was supported by Andy Penrose. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Delesha Padula, Andy Penrose, Tim Bowman, Gerry Arno, Jerry Drake, Brenda Guyse and George Humphries Jr. Motion carried.

Mayor Arno adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Cynthia D. Means  
Clerk

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Gerald E. Arno  
Mayor