

**JONESVILLE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of April 21, 2021**

A meeting of the Jonesville City Council was held on Wednesday, April 21, 2021 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., and Andy Penrose. Absent: Delesha Padula.

Also present: Manager Gray, Treasurer Spahr, WWTP Supt. Boyle, Police Chief Lance, DPW Supt. Kyser, Fire Chief Adair, Attorney Lovinger, Hillsdale County Commissioner Kathy Schmitt, and State Representative Andrew Fink.

The Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence was led by Mayor Gerry Arno.

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

The Public Hearing for the Remediation of Dangerous Structure/150 Jermaine Street was opened at 6:32 p.m. Manager Gray provided information as to the chronology of events to date associated with the property. The building was damaged by fire in September 2019, in February 2020 the Hillsdale County Building Inspector deemed the property unsafe for occupancy with notices posted on the property, May of 2020 the Jonesville Police Chief responded to complaints regarding the property's condition, August 2020 the mortgage holder advised that they have received no further contact from the owner, February 2021 with the mortgage company unwilling to commit to abating the nuisance, the City advised that final notice will be posted with the intent to demolish the home, March 2021 the structure was posted with a final notice of violation and intent to demolish and deemed unsafe for occupancy by the Hillsdale County Building Inspection Department. Notice was mailed to the property owner at last known address and returned undeliverable. The Notice of the violation and intent to remedy was published in the Hillsdale Daily News for three consecutive weeks. The current owners were not present at the meeting. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:37 p.m.

A motion was made by Brenda Guyse and supported by Jerry Drake to adopt Resolution 2021-02 authorizing the City Manager to proceed with demolition of the structure to abate the nuisance, with costs to be billed to the property owner, and unpaid costs assessed against the property as a lien. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Tim Bowman, Jerry Drake, Brenda Guyse, George Humphries Jr., Andy Penrose and Gerry Arno. Nays: None. Absent: Delesha Padula. Motion carried.

Tim Bowman made a motion to award the contract for paving to Michigan Paving and Materials Company in the amount of \$172,005.25. The 2021 Paving Project is for the paving of Parkwood Drive, Gaige Street, Pinecrest Drive and the DPW Salt Barn pad. Brenda Guyse supported the motion. All in favor. Absent: Delesha Padula. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Jerry Drake and supported by Brenda Guyse to receive the application to rezone the property located at 360 E Chicago Street from R-2 (Residential) to D-2 (Downtown

Edge). The Public Hearing will be set for Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the Jonesville Fire Station. All in favor. Absent: Delesha Padula. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Tim Bowman and supported by George Humphries Jr. to cancel the recreational ball season for 2021 due to the uncertainties of the COVID-19 pandemic. All in favor. Absent: Delesha Padula. Motion carried.

The current fiscal year 2020-21 nine-month budget comparison (July 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021) was provided for Council review.

Brenda Guyse made a motion and was supported by George Humphries Jr. to approve the Closed Session Minutes of October 21, 2020. All in favor. Absent: Delesha Padula. Motion carried.

A motion was made by George Humphries Jr. and supported by Tim Bowman to approve the minutes of March 17, 2021 Council Meeting. All in favor. Absent: Delesha Padula. Motion carried.

Andy Penrose made a motion and was supported by Brenda Guyse to approve the Accounts Payable for April 2021 in the amount of \$70,072.66. All in favor. Absent: Delesha Padula. Motion carried.

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

Mayor Pro-Tem Bowman adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Cynthia D. Means  
Clerk

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Gerald E. Arno  
Mayor