

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

**JONESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Minutes of April 19, 2023**

A meeting of the Jonesville City Council was held on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at the Jonesville City Hall, 265 E. Chicago Street, Jonesville, MI. Mayor Gerry Arno called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Council members present were: Tim Bowman, Christopher Grider, Brenda Guyse, George Humphries Jr., Delesha Padula and Andy Penrose.

Also present: Manager Gray, WWTP Supt. Boyle, Safety Director Lance, Attorney Lovinger, DPW Supt. Kyser, Hannah Jordan (Domestic Harmony), Sheriff Scott Hodshire, Karla Schaerer, Steve Schaerer, Abe Dane (Hillsdale County Chief Deputy Clerk), and Robert Eichler.

Mayor Arno led the Pledge of Allegiance and the moment of silence.

Manager Gray asked to remove Item 6.D. Consider Authorization – Replacement Backhoe from the agenda. Delesha Padula made a motion and was supported by Brenda Guyse to approve the agenda as amended. All in favor. Motion carried.

Hannah Jordan, Executive Director of Domestic Harmony, gave the Council a brief update.

Karla Schaerer addressed Council, asking that they consider allowing vendors markets in the G. Carl Fast Park again. Mayor Arno stated that they would discuss her request.

Sheriff Scott Hodshire gave a synopsis of recent Sheriff's Department programs and activities. He gave information regarding HCSO and MSP responses in the Jonesville area, an inmate community service program, the K-9 program, the Academy program, a grant for 800 MHz radios, food service at the Hillsdale County Jail, and a high school diploma program that they are offering.

Abe Dane, Hillsdale County Chief Deputy Clerk, discussed a proposal to create a countywide polling location to allow for early voting. They are still working on the process, but this will alleviate the need for every precinct to have early voting equipment and hours. The proposal is asking for the City to sign a letter of intent at this time. This is not a binding contract.

Brenda Guyse made a motion and was supported by Tim Bowman to authorize the City Manager to sign a letter of intent to allow the Hillsdale County Clerk's office to explore the feasibility of creating a single countywide polling location for early voting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Andy Penrose made a motion and was supported by Tim Bowman to award the Police Department roof bid to Stoll Construction, in the amount of \$17,550. All in favor. Motion carried.

Delesha Padula made a motion and was supported by Brenda Guyse to authorize a contract modification for the Maumee Street construction project. It involves the addition of two lengths

of 8-inch water main at Franklin and Liberty Streets. This will allow for the replacement of 2-inch galvanized mains on those two streets when West Street is reconstructed (scheduled for Fiscal Year 2023-2024). This will alleviate cutting and patching the newly paved Maumee Street when West Street is reconstructed. The modification adds \$45,486.10 to the project cost. All in favor. Motion carried.

Tim Bowman made a motion and was supported by Brenda Guyse to schedule a special Council Budget Session for Wednesday, May 3, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Jonesville City Hall. This session will cover the street budgets, motor vehicle pool, and debt service for Fiscal Year 2023/2024. The second budget session will follow the May 17th regular Council meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Andy Penrose made a motion and was supported by Brenda Guyse to waive the yard and garage sale permit requirement for Riverfest weekend from Thursday, May 18, 2023 – Sunday, May 21, 2023. All in favor. Motion carried.

Brenda Guyse made a motion and was supported by George Humphries Jr. to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2023 Regular Meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Andy Penrose made a motion and was supported by Delesha Padula to approve the Accounts Payable for April 2023 in the amount of \$128,819.75. All in favor. Motion carried.

Andy Penrose gave an update from the Region 2 Planning Commission.

Delesha Padula made a motion and was supported by Brenda Guyse to receive the minutes of Planning Commission – March 8, 2023, and Citizenship Committee – March 9, 2023 and March 23, 2023. All in favor. Motion carried.

The 2023 Spring Clean Up is scheduled for Saturday, April 29th. Residents are encouraged to start placing items at the curb beginning April 22nd.

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

Councilman Bowman suggested sending the Domestic Harmony contract for services to the Budget Committee. Council agreed by consensus.

Mayor Arno adjourned the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Deputy Clerk

Gerald E. Arno
Mayor