

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

**JONESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Minutes of March 20, 2024**

A meeting of the Jonesville City Council was held on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at the Jonesville City Hall, 265 E. Chicago Street, Jonesville, MI. Mayor Pro-Tem Delesha Padula called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were: Tim Bowman, Chris Grider, Brenda Guyse, George Humphries Jr., and Andy Penrose. Absent: Gerry Arno.

Also present: Manager Gray, Treasurer Spahr, WWTP Supt. Hughes, DPW Supt. Crouch, Public Safety Director Lance, Asst. Fire Chief Riggs, Attorney Lovinger, Lisa Adair, Zach Bigelow, Sheriff Scott Hodshire, Wendy Playford, Stefanie Rathbun, Joseph Luna, Scott Lucas and Don Toffolo.

Councilmember Brenda Guyse led the Pledge of Allegiance and the moment of silence.

A motion was made by Andy Penrose and supported by Brenda Guyse to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor. Absent: Gerry Arno. Motion carried.

Sheriff Scott Hodshire gave a brief update regarding the Hillsdale County Sheriff's Department.

A motion was made by Tim Bowman and supported by Brenda Guyse to accept the Little Free Libraries offered by the Hillsdale ISD Great Start Collaborative and allow placement in Carl Fast Park and Wright Street Park. Wendy Playford spoke on behalf of the Little Free Libraries program advising that numerous libraries will be placed throughout Hillsdale County. The Little Libraries are paid for with grant funds and sponsorships. The ISD has a volunteer base that supplies the libraries with a selection of children's books. All in favor. Absent: Gerry Arno. Motion carried.

Brenda Guyse made a motion and was supported by Chris Grider to approve the use of City facilities for Riverfest as proposed and to consent to the Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police to execute the Traffic Control Order 2024-01. Zack Bigelow spoke to council on behalf of JBA advising them of the changes that are being proposed for 2024; Crafters/Vendors will be in Carl Fast Park, Car Show will be held on Water Street and North Street, Food Vendors will be placed along US-12 within the downtown block, Maumee Street will be closed from US-12 to Church Street, Carnival Rides will be located at the US-12/M-99 area of Dallas Hawkins' property, Grosvenor House will be open for tours, and River Events will be held from Red Bridge to US-12. All in favor. Absent: Gerry Arno. Motion carried.

Brenda Guyse made a motion and was supported by Andy Penrose to appoint Mike Lance on an at-will basis as the Director of Public Safety and Police Chief and to terminate the interim employment agreement. All in favor. Absent: Gerry Arno. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Tim Bowman and supported by Brenda Guyse to adopt Resolution 2024-07 – Adopt Master Plan Amendment as presented by the Planning Commission. All in favor. Absent: Gerry Arno. Motion carried.

Brenda Guyse made a motion and was supported by Andy Penrose to approve the recommendation from the Citizenship Committee to award the 2024 Jonesville Citizens of the Year to Mary Houchen and Maria Mandrell (youth). Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Tim Bowman, Chris Grider, Brenda Guyse, George Humphries Jr., Andy Penrose and Delesha Padula. Nays: None. Absent: Gerry Arno. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brenda Guyse and supported by George Humphries Jr. to accept the DDA recommendation and adopt “The Real Deal” as the City of Jonesville’s Tagline. The winning entry was submitted separately by two individuals, Jeff Rowe and Paul Hosmer. The DDA is awarding each \$50 in Jonesville Bucks for their winning entries. The new tagline will be used in the future development of City branding materials. All in favor. Absent: Gerry Arno. Motion carried.

George Humphries Jr. made a motion and was supported by Chris Grider to waive ordinance requirements for Weekend Yard and Garage Sales Permits between Thursday, May 16, 2024 and Sunday, May 19, 2024. All in favor. Absent: Gerry Arno. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brenda Guyse and supported by Tim Bowman to approve the Council minutes of February 21, 2024 Regular Meeting. All in favor. Absent: Gerry Arno. Motion carried.

Andy Penrose made a motion and was supported by Chris Grider to approve the Accounts Payable for March 2024 in the amount of \$55,019.98. All in favor. Absent: Gerry Arno. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brenda Guyse and supported by George Humphries Jr. to receive the minutes of Economic Development Partnership of Hillsdale County (EDP) – January 11, 2024, Region 2 Planning Commission (R2PC) – January 11, 2024 and February 8, 2024 and Downtown Development Authority (DDA) – March 12, 2024. All in favor. Absent: Gerry Arno. Motion carried.

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

Mayor Pro-Tem Padula adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Submitted by:

Cynthia D. Means
Clerk

Delesha Padula
Mayor Pro-Tem