**Town of Jonesboro**

**Board of Alderman Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, March 10, 2020**

**Public Hearing** was called to order by Mayor Leslie Thompson at 6:03 p.m. The following council members were present: Johnson, Flowers, Ginn, Siadek, and Stringer. A quorum was present

**Invocation** was conducted by Alderman Flowers.

**Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Alderman Stringer.

**Public Comments-** Mrs. Wilda from the Chamber of Commerce gave dates on upcoming events happening in Jonesboro.

**Additions to Agenda-** Mayor Thompson requested the Clerk Position be added to 19A, Clerk Consideration 20A, Signature Authority 20B. Motion by Flowers to accept the changes. Second by Johnson. Motion passed unanimously.

**Financials-** Mayor Thompson gave information regarding financials.

**Approval of Bills-** Mayor informed council that bills would be forth coming.

**Approval of Minutes-** Flowers motioned to approve the minutes. Stringer seconded. Motioned Carried.

**Sales Tax-** Nia Johnson informed the Town that sales tax is currently up. She has a plan to keep everyone updated on sales tax.

**FEMA-Flood Insurance/Ordinance/Resolution-** The ordinance was introduced.Stringer motioned to change the ordinance number and to set a public hearing to discuss the ordinance during the April meeting.

**Smart Fusion-** Motion by Stringer to table until the April meeting.

**Retention Policy-**  Motion by Johnson to adopt the policy. Second by Flowers. Motion Carried.

**Surplus Property-**  Tabled.

**Animal Control-** Mayor Thompson is looking at different options for Animal control.

**Creation of Airport Commission-** Flowers motioned to table item.

**Department Head Reports-** Chief Harris reported that the police department had 215 calls for the month of February. Chief Brown reported that the fire department responded to a total of 75 calls for the month of February. Mr. Wortham was not present to give his report.

**Department Head Reports Approval-Public Works-** Mr. Brad Graff talked to council about the town needing at least 1900 new meters to get accurate meter readings, the cost would be around $500,000.00. Council considered possibly having a special meeting to discuss buying new meters. Motion by Flowers to approve department head reports. Second by Johnson. Motion Carried.

**Executive Session-** Motion by Stringer to move to executive session. Second by Flowers. Motion Carried.

Motion to come out of executive session with no action taken by Stringer. Second by Flowers. Motion Carried.

Mayor Thompson made a recommendation for Amanda Womack to be Town Clerk. A motion to make Amanda Womack Town Clerk effective March 16, 2020 and to revisit in 6 months was made by Siadek. Second by Johnson. Motion Carried.

Flowers motioned to authorize the 705 Leon Dr. settlement to grandfather them in based on the previous owners license. Second by Johnson. Motion carried.

Stinger motioned to give Amanda Womack signature authority to all bank accounts for the Town of Jonesboro. Second by Flowers. Motion carried.

**Kiran of Monroe LLC vs. Town of Jonesboro-**  Council agreed to table this item.

**Council Comments-**  No comments.

**Mayor Comments-** Mayor Thompson thanked everyone for coming.

**Adjournment-** Motion by Flowers to adjourn the meeting. Second by Stringer. Motion carried.

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**Town Clerk, Amanda Womack Leslie Thompson, Mayor**

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