**Minutes of the Town of Jonesboro Board of Aldermen**

**Regular Meeting**

**Tuesday, September 14, 2021**

**Public Hearing:** The Public Hearing was called to order at 5:45p.m. by Mayor Thompson.

 **Roll** **call**: Johnson-present, Ginn-present, Siadek-absent, Stringer-present, and Flowers-present. A quorum was present.

**Invocation:** Flowers started the meeting with invocation.

**Pledge:** The pledge was conducted by Stringer.

**Ordinance 2021-007 General, Ordinance 2021-008 Water, Ordinance 2021-009 Sewer:** Mayor Thompson read over all three ordinances and opened the floor for discussion.

**Regular meeting:** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Thompson.

**Public Comments:**  Wilda Smith from the Chamber of Commerce informed the Council of upcoming events in the Town of Jonesboro. “Stepping into fall” October 9, 2021, “Trunk or Treat” October 30, 2021, “Open House on the BLVD” November 2, 2021, and “Forest Fest” October 25, 2021. For more information regarding these events please contact Wilda Smith or go on the Chamber of Commerce Facebook page. Renee Stringer voiced her concerns regarding the sewage problem she has been having to deal with for several years. Ben Ledbetter spoke to the Council and the Mayor regarding his online publications. A representative from the Ruston Daily Leader spoke to the Council and Mayor about this newspaper becoming the Town’s Official Journal.

**Addendums:** Flowers made a motion to add Special Called Meeting to the agenda, seconded by Stringer. Motion carried.

**August Bills:** Flowers made a motion to approve August’s bills, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.

**August Financials:** Johnson made a motion to approve August’s Financials, seconded by Stringer. Motion carried.

**August Minutes:** Stringer made a motion to approve August’s minutes, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.

**Ordinance 2021-007 General:** Flowers made a motion to table Ordinance 2021-007 General.

**Ordinance 2021-003 Water:** Flowers made a motion to table Ordinance 2021-008 Water.

**Ordinance 2021-004 Sewer:** Flowers made a motion to table Ordinance 2021-009 Sewer.

**Police Termination-Eric Davis:** Stringer made a motion to accept the termination of Eric Davis, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.

 **New Hire-Harry Woolridge:** Ginn made a motion to hire Harry Woolridge as a part-time police officer, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.

**Department Head Reports:** Stringer made a motion to accept and approve the reports presented by each department head, seconded by Flowers. Motion carried.

**Special Meeting:** Flowers made a motion to set a Special Called Meeting for September 21, 2021 at 5 P.M., seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2021-017 Compliance Questionnaire 2021:** Johnson made a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-017 Compliance Questionnaire2021, seconded by Stringer. Motion carried.

**Mobile Home- 801 Leon Dr.:** Flowers made a motion to approve the placement of a mobile home at 801 Leon Dr., Seconded by Stringer. Motion carried.

**Legal Journal Selection:** Flowers made a motion to approve the Ruston Daily Leader as the Town of Jonesboro’s official journal until June 2022, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.

**Redistricting:** Johnson made a motion to hire “Data Center” as the company for the Town to handle the redistricting process and to allow Mayor Thompson to enter into a contract with this company, seconded by Flowers. Motion carried.

**Rodeo Proposal:** This item was tabled due to the fact there was no proposal provided.

**Mayor’s Update:** Mayor Thompson updated the Council and the audience on several issues he has been addressing.

**Ordinance 2021-010 Nuisance:** Johnson made a motion to introduce Ordinance 2021-010 Nuisance and set a public hearing for October 12, 2021 at 5:45 P.M.

**Resolution 2021-018 Surplus Property:** Stringer made a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-018 Surplus Property, seconded by Flowers.

**Council Comments**: Comments were expressed.

**Mayor Comments:** no comments were made.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn by Flowers, seconded by Stringer. Motion carried.

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Amanda Womack, Town Clerk Leslie Thompson, Mayor

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