**Town of Jonesboro**

**Board of Alderman Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, October 13, 2020**

**Call of order:** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Leslie Thompson at 5:45 P.M for the public hearing.

**Roll Call:** Johnson-Present, Flowers-Present, Ginn-Present, Siadek-Present, and Stringer-Present.

**Invocation** was conducted by Flowers.

**Pledge of Allegiance** was conducted by Stringer.

**Ordinance #2020-012 Hazard/Comp. Pay Salary Employees’:** Mayor Thompson read the Ordinance to inform the public. There were no comments made regarding the ordinance.

**Mayor Thompson called the regular meeting to order at 6 P.M.**

**Public Comments:** There were no comments made.

**Katrina Branson** briefly went over all the programs and events that the new Out Reach Center on Leon Drive would be offering the town.

**Presentation:** Johnson presented Ciera Murphy with a “Life Saving” award. She received this award for her life saving measures she showed during a shooting in August.

**Approval of September 8th and 17th minutes:** Flowers made a motion to approve the minutes for September 8th and 17th, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.

**Approval of September Bills:** Stringer made a motion to approve September bills, seconded by Flowers. Motion carried.

**Approval of September Financials:**  A motion by Stringer was made to approve September financials, seconded by Flowers. Motion carried.

**Mayor’s update:** Mayor Thompson discussed burning of abandoned houses, Christmas lights, the lawsuit with 705 Leon Drive, and the zoning issue with 705 Leon Drive.

**Department head reports:** Police Chief Harris, Public works director Mr. Wortham, and Fire Chief Brown gave updates on each department.

**Police-Resignations:** Chief Harris informed the Council that two of his officers had resigned: Dustin Davis and Warren Johnson.

**Police-New Hire:** Chief Harris said at this time he has not found a new hire.

**Approval of Department head reports:** Flowers made a motion to approve the reports given, seconded by Siadek.

**Adoption of Ordinance #2020-012:** Flowers made a motion to table Ordinance #2020-012 until the Town Attorney could further his research into this matter.

**Resolution #2020-024 DOTD:** Flowers made a motion to adopt Resolution #2020-024 DOTD, Ginn seconded. Motion carried.

**Burning of abandoned houses/operation Clean-up:** The Town Attorney explained in depth the procedure per the Town ordinance, as to which the Town will have to follow in regards to assessing and burning abandoned houses.

**Council Comments:** Comments were expressed.

**Mayor Comments:** Comments were expressed.

**Adjournment:** Flowers made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ginn. Motion carried.

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

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