



Town of Jonesboro

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Town of Jonesboro
Board of Alderman Regular Monthly Meeting

Date: September 10, 2024, 6:00 pm
Public Hearing 5:30 pm to 6:00 pm

Location: Charles Garrett Community Center 182 Industrial Drive, Jonesboro, LA 71251

Public Hearing: No comments.

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor James "Spike" Harris.

Roll Call:

A quorum was established with the following members present:

Devin Flowers, James Ginn, and Robbie Siadek. Nia Johnson arrived at 6:06 pm. Robert Hunter was absent.

Invocation:

Devin Flowers led the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Robbie Siadek led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments:

Mrs. Monica Taylor expressed her concerns about the open meetings law.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion by Robbie Siadek was made to approve the agenda, seconded by James Ginn. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes from August 13, 2024:

A motion to approve the minutes from August 13, 2024, was made by Robbie Siadek and seconded by Devin Flowers. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.

Approval of Financials from August:

A motion was made to table the approval of financials from August was made by Devin Flowers, seconded by Robbie Siadek. All in favor, motion passed.

Approval of Financials from July:

A motion was made to table the approval of financials from July was made by Devin Flowers, seconded by Robbie Siadek. All in favor, motion passed.

Adopt 2024 Millage Rates:

A motion was made by Nia Johnson to adopt millage rates for 2024 was made by Nia Johnson, seconded by Robbie Siadek. The motion passed with four yays (Devin Flowers, Robbie Siadek, Nia Johnson, and James Ginn).

Water Rate Increase (Ordinance 2024-007):

A motion was made to increase the water rates (ordinance 2024-007) by James Ginn, seconded by Robbie Siadek. The motion was passed with 3 yays (Robbie Siadek, Nia Johnson, and James Ginn) and 1 nay (Devin Flowers).

Budget Amendments:

Mayor Harris asked for a motion to table budget amendments for a later date. Nia Johnson made the motion, seconded by Robbie Siadek.

Abatement of Nuisance: 207 Vinson St

Robbie Siadek made a motion to cancel the abatement of Nuisance for 207 Vinson Street from the agenda, seconded by Nia Johnson. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.

Department Head Reports

A. Compliance: Austin Ballott reported that there will be a control ban on the old funeral home on September 16, 2024, at 6 pm.

B. Public Works: Warren Bradley reported that 280 sandbags are available for the public. He also reported 22 water leaks for the month of July. The streets department has begun putting up the Christmas lights.

C. Fire: Aaron Blalock reported 73 emergency calls. The old funeral home will be burned on September 16, 2024, at 6 pm.

D. Police: Chief Smith reported a total of 235 calls, 94 emergency calls, and ten animal calls.

Council Comments:

Flowers: Thanked everyone for attending.

Siadek: Thanked everyone for working together.

Johnson: Thanked everyone for attending.

Ginn: Thanked everyone for coming. Thanked the city hall employees and public safety for all their hard work.

Mayor comments: Mayor Harris expressed appreciation to all for attending. He thanked the council for paying attention to detail and doing what was best for the citizens.

A motion to adjourn was made by Devin Flowers, seconded by Nia Johnson. All in favor. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned.

Signed _____

Date _____