**Village of Jones Creek**

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**SPECIAL CALLED BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING**

**The Beautification Committee for the Village of Jones Creek, Texas will hold Special Called Beautification Committee meeting on May 28, 2025, at the Village Hall Located at 7207 Stephen F. Austin Road beginning at 9:00 a.m. Members of the public are able to attend the meeting in person and via teleconference**.

This written notice, the meeting agenda, is posted online at <http://www.villageofjonescreektexas.com>. The public were permitted to offer public comments telephonically as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting. A recording of the telephonic meeting will be available to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act upon written request. The matters discussed and acted on at the meeting are as follows:

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

*9:12 AM.*

**2. INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLIGENCE**

*Regina Tidwell led the invocation. Pledge led by all.*

**3. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**

*Nicole Hardesty- Absent. Traci Stowers- Present. Regina Tidwell- Present. Tammy Butler- Present. Melania Gutierrez- Present. Tori Johnson- Absent.*

**4. COMMUNICATION OF VISITORS (PUBLIC COMMENT)**

Section 551.007 of the Texas Government Code allows a member of the public who desires to address the body regarding an item on an agenda for the Open Meeting of the body to address the body regarding the item at the meeting before or during the body's consideration of the item.

*None.*

**5. OLD BUSINESS**

**a.** Discuss and consider receiving money from FEMA for damages to the city hall sign due to Hurricane Beryl.

*Tammy Butler mentioned that Khristen New is currently in a meeting with FEMA and could not attend the meeting as planned. Traci Stowers commented that Khristen had communicated with her the numbers given to her and shared them with the committee. Regina Tidwell stated she has gotten 2 different bids and needs to get a 3rd. Tammi Butler stated this a great opportunity to get the sign done and suggested for Regina Tidwell to get the 3rd bid. Melania Gutierrez made a motion to work with the city to replace and upgrade the sign. Traci Stowers seconded the motion. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.*

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discuss and consider spending funds for the Beautification Committee to sponsor a lunch program for the summer for all children that live within the Stephen F Austin Elementary school district.

*Melania Gutierrez stated she had provided numbers for 10 children as a reference. Tammy Butler stated she feels Aldi would be cheaper than Wal-Mart and she feels there would be a lot more than 10 kids that would be in need. Melania Gutierrez went over the different costs and how it would be more efficient to pass things out a week at a time instead of daily with the committee. It was also mentioned there are foods that could be given out but would need to be cooked. Tammy Butler stated she believes if they make a post they could get different people in the city to donate. Traci Stowers stated she is concerned about having people donate as in her experience donations fizzle out eventually. Melania Gutierrez stated she will speak to Kristy at the Brazosport CARES and the Houston Food Bank and look at food truck donation. Tammy Butler asked if the committee wants to pick a date to set and Melania Gutierrez responded yes, and it should be the 2nd week in June. The committee commented different people they could individually reach out to for donations. Tammy Butler stated she feels the 16th of June would be a better date and the committee agreed. Traci Stowers asked what things they should ask for, for donations and Melania Gutierrez replied anything pull-tops, like Chefboyrdee, fruits, vegetables, juices, bread, peanut butter, apple sauce, spam, canned chicken, etc. Melania Gutierrez mentioned how she got the numbers estimated for each child. Tammy Butler stated she thinks they all should be contacting all of the Jones Creek churches. The committee discussed what days they would be handing bags and Melania Gutierrez commented that in the past they would put the bags together on Monday and pass them out on Tuesday. It was also suggested passing out at different locations. Lauren Grayson suggested using the church parking lot next to city hall. Tammy Butler suggested having a special called meeting to touch base about this topic. Traci Stowers suggested in someone wants to do a monetary donation to have them donate to Beautification and memo it to feeding the children. Committee agreed funds for this project are to strictly be donations funds and not Beautification funds. Melania Gutierrez made a motion to collect free donations and not use committee funds to do the food drive. Regina Tidwell seconded the motion. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried. Melania Gutierrez stated she could store things at Harvest as they would be prepared there. Tammy Butler stated June 12 at 12:30pm to meet for a special called meeting and committee agreed.*

**7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

*Special Called Meeting set for June 12, 2025 at 12:30 pm.*

**8. ADJOURN**

*9:41 am- Meeting adjourned.*

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that this Public Notice was placed on the official Bulletin Board at the City Hall on the 25th day of May 2025 no later than 9:00 a.m.

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 Lauren Grayson, City Secretary

NOTE: ITEMS WILL NOT NECESSARILY BE DISCUSSED AND ACTED ON IN THE ORDER THEY APPEAR ON THE AGENDA. THE BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE, AT ITS DISCRETION, MAY DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ANY OR ALL OF THE ITEMS LISTED IN A DIFFERENT ORDER IF A MAJORITY OF THE BOARD SO DETERMINES.

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