

Village of Jones Creek

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CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA MINUTES

The Board of Alderman of the Village of Jones Creek, Texas held a Regular Council Meeting on October 18, 2022 at the Village Hall located at 7207 Stephen F. Austin Road, beginning at 6:00p.m. Members of the public were able to attend the meeting in person or via teleconference.

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1. **CALL TO ORDER** *6:01 PM*
2. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** *Led by Alderman, AJ Jinkins, pledge said by all.*
3. **ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS** *All members present, Glenn Jordan via Zoom.*
4. **BUSINESS OF VISITORS** (limited to five minutes per person)
Mayor, Terry Jeffers read the resignation letter from Ms. Haley Herrington, Front Desk, and Permits Clerk. Rocky Thomas later joined the meeting and made everyone aware of the Creek along 2004 has been getting cleaned out. They are trying to go all the way to Hwy 36.
5. **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Discuss and approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on September 20, 2022. *Motion made to accept the minutes as they are by Alderman, David Galloway, 2nd Alderman Corey Thomas, all in favor, motion carried.*
- b. Discuss and consider action on financial and monthly reports from all departments. *Motion made by Alderwoman, Nicole Hardesty to accept the all monthly reports, minus the financials until we receive the Budget vs Actual, 2nd Alderman, AJ Jenkins, all in favor, motion carried.*
- c. Discuss and consider action on drainage improvement projects and updates from Drainage Liaison Corey Thomas. *Alderman, Corey Thomas made everyone aware that County has completed Mrs. Lisa Stockton's Driveway and they will begin the road crossing on E. Stephen F. Austin on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. They will look into which driveways need to be addressed next. They met with county for Robinhood Lane, and they will most likely have to split the project due to cost. They will start in the back and make their way up. They are still waiting on prices, so a date has not been set.*
- d. Discuss and consider action on updates for ARPA Funds. *City Secretary, Brittney Fairchild let everyone know that the second installment has been received. Alderwoman, Nicole Hardesty asked if our total had changed. Brittney Fairchild, let them know originally she had it at a set amount of \$500,000 but we actually received more. The total amount funded was \$515,159.98, minus Grant works fees leaves us with a starting amount of 478,159.98 and with what we have approved an estimated \$240,000 remaining to use in ARPA Funds. Fundview is also on hold. No action taken.*
- e. Discuss and consider upcoming Events.
- Beautification Committee Halloween Trunk or Treat-
October 29, 2022 – Gulf Coast Presbyterian Church 4-7 PM
 - Veteran's Breakfast- Jones Creek Community Hall – 8-10 AM
Thursday, November 10, 2022, flyer in packet.
 - Pancakes with Santa – December 3, 2022
 - Christmas in the Creek – December 13, 2022
Mrs. Anna Galloway mentioned that a \$100 is on the line, tell your friends to come out and decorate your car, truck, tractor, pop up, or anything you can!
- f. Discuss and consider updates on the implementation of a Professional Improvement Plan for the City Secretary. *Alderman, David Galloway made everyone aware that the appointed Council Members sat down with the City Secretary on October the 10th, final day of 2 days. They discussed obstacles that have been in the way and ways to achieve goals. This implementation has been in place for 8 days out of 60 days, a 30 day review and a 60 day final review. He let everyone know that at this time, in agreement with Mrs. Hardesty, that they have nothing negative to say at this time. Alderwoman, Nicole Hardesty mentioned that she is happy the obstacles and goals were addressed and it brought to attention a few items as one being further down on the agenda. She has a positive outlook on what is going on here.*

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Discuss and consider recommendations for the Zoning Commission Board; 1 member and 1 Alternate.** *Motion made by Alderwoman, Nicole Hardesty to appoint Gary Brandon to the Zoning Commission Board, Alderman, Corey Thomas 2nd with an addition of Mrs. Anna Galloway to be added as an alternate, motion amended. Alderman, Glenn Jordan asked to add Mrs. Veronica Thomas. FINAL MOTION: Alderwoman, Nicole Hardesty motion to appoint Gary Brandon to the Zoning Commission Board, amends this motion by adding Anna Galloway as an alternate, as well as further amending to add Mrs. Veronica Thomas to the list of Alternates. 2nd by Alderman, Corey Thomas, all in favor, motion carried.*
- b. **Discuss and consider designations for the H-GAC 2023 General Assembly Representative and Alternate.** *Previous member was Alderman, AJ Jinkins, and discussed minimal responsibilities for this role by the H-GAC. Motion made by Alderwoman, Nicole Hardesty to Nominate Alderman, AJ Jinkins to continue his service, and add Alderman, Corey Thomas as alternate, all in favor, motion carried.*
- c. **Discuss and consider village email account subscription options and recommendations.** *Bringing our City emails current and not using personal emails for city business was discussed. We currently have .gov emails that our Marshal's office has introduced and not yet in place by all members. Alderman, David Galloway mentioned he could help members download the current email. Municode offers email subscriptions via our Website for an additional \$600 a year. Alderman, David Galloway mentioned that we look into the integration of the .gov email. He can get all of the information for the email by phone and help set it up for use to see if it is something that we can use as he is using it at this time. Google suite was another option to look into. Currently the City Secretary's email is through B-Tel and is having issues with sending and receiving emails. We do need secured government emails. Table this until we can gather more information.*
- d. **Pre-development plan information for property located within the Village of Jones Creek ETJ.** *This was for informational purposes to let everyone know that the area would be sold and the future plans to put a convenience store/gas station at the corner of 2004/Hwy 36. This is a county property but we wanted to make everyone aware. Alderwoman, Nicole Hardesty mentioned reaching out to ask about annexing the property for tax revenue with possibly offering tax abatement for a few years and then we receive taxes revenue after that period of time. Alderman, Corey Thomas mentioned that County does this quite often.*

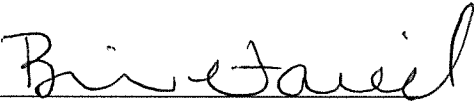
7. ADJOURNMENT

Future Agenda Items: Alderman, Corey Thomas asked to add Food Truck Ordinances. Alderman, David Galloway asked to add Ordinances relating to Exteriors of Commercial Properties.

Motion made to Adjourn by Alderman, Corey Thomas, 2nd Alderwoman, Nicole Hardesty, all in favor, motion carried.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the minutes of this Regular Called Meeting have been reviewed and are known to be true.


Brittney Fairchild, City Secretary

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