

## Village of Jones Creek

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## CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

The Board of Alderman of the Village of Jones Creek, Texas held a Special Called Council Meeting on Tuesday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at the Village Hall located at 7207 Stephen F. Austin Road, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in order to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings (also called "social distancing") and to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Instead, the Board will conduct the meeting by telephonic conference in accordance with the order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020. Any person could participate and address the city council by either:

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The public was permitted to offer public comments telephonically or in person at City Hall as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting. A recording of the telephonic meeting will be made, and will be available to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act upon written request. The matters to be discussed and acted on at the meeting were:

- 1. CALL TO ORDER The Village of Jones Creek Board of Aldermen held a special called meeting on Tuesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and the meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro-tem Glenn Jordan.
- 2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE The invocation was given by Mayor Pro-tem Glenn Jordan and the pledge was said by all.

- 3. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS The following members were present: Mayor Pro-tem and Alderman Glenn Jordan, Alderman Terry Jeffers, Alderman Corey Thomas, Alderwoman Nicole Hardesty, and Alderman Justin Wright. Mayor Gordon Schlemmer was absent.
- **4.** BUSINESS OF VISITORS There was no business of visitors.

## 5. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. Public Hearing regarding the Village of Jones Creek's proposed 2020 Tax Rate of \$0.440000 per \$100.00 of assessed value. There were no comments during the Public Hearing.
- b. Discussion regarding the adoption of \$0.00000 as the portion of the Tax Rate to fund the debt service of the Village of Jones Creek for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Mr. Terry Jeffers made a motion to adopt \$0.000000 as the portion of the Tax Rate to fund the debt service of the Village of Jones Creek for Fiscal Year 2020-2021, and Mr. Corey Thomas seconded the motion. Mr. Glenn Jordan, Mr. Terry Jeffers, Mr. Corey Thomas, Mr. Justin Wright, and Mrs. Nicole Hardesty all voted yea to the motion and motion passed.
- c. Discussion and possible action regarding the adoption of \$0.440000 as the portion of the Tax Rate to fund the maintenance and operations of the Village of Jones Creek for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. After a lengthy discussion regarding the tax rate to fund the maintenance and operations of the Village of Jones Creek for Fiscal Year 2020-2021, Mrs. Nicole Hardesty made a motion to adopt \$0.440000 for the Tax Rate. A second was heard from Mr. Corey Thomas. A record vote was taken and Mr. Corey Thomas, Mrs. Nicole Hardesty, and Mr. Glenn Jordan voted in favor, Mr. Terry Jeffers and Mr. Justin Wright voted nay, and motion passed by a two-thirds majority vote.
- d. Discussion and possible action regarding Ordinance 520: AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF JONES CREEK, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF AD VALOREM TAXES OF THE VILLAGE OF JONES CREEK, TEXAS FOR THE YEAR 2020; PROVIDING THE DATE ON WHICH SUCH AD VALOREM TAXES SHALL BE DUE AND PAYABLE; PROVIDING FOR PENALTY AND INTEREST ON ALL TAXES NOT TIMELY PAID; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND, REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH. MOTION: "I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.440000, which is effectively a 23.81% increase in the tax rate." Mr. Corey Thomas made a motion to adopt Ordinance 520 and that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.440000, which is effectively a

- 23.81% increase in the tax rate. Mrs. Nicole Hardesty seconded Mr. Thomas' motion. A record vote was taken and Mr. Corey Thomas, Mr. Glenn Jordan, and Mrs. Nicole Hardesty vote yea. Mr. Justin Wright and Mr. Terry Jeffers voted nay. The motion passed by a two-thirds majority vote.
- e. Discussion and possible action to adopt Procurement Policies and Procedures for Federal Grants. A motion to adopt Procurement Policies and Procedures for Federal Grants was heard from Mrs. Nicole Hardesty and a second from Mr. Corey Thomas. All members voted in favor and motion passed.
- 6. ADJOURNMENT A motion was made by Mr. Terry Jeffers and seconded by Mr. Justin Wright to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 p.m., all members were in favor, and motion passed.

Gordon Schlemmer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberly Morris/City Secretary/Administrator