



Village of Jones Creek

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CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

The Board of Alderman of the Village of Jones Creek, Texas held a Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, September 15th, 2020 at the Village Hall located at 7207 Stephen F. Austin Road, beginning at 6:30 p.m. **THERE WAS NO PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE CITY HALL FOR THE MEETING** 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 conducted 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 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 discussed and acted on at the meeting were:

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** *The Village of Jones Creek Board of Aldermen held a regular called meeting on Tuesday, September 15th, 2020 and the meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Gordon Schlemmer.*
- 2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** *The invocation was given by Mayor Gordon Schlemmer and the pledge was said by all.*
- 3. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS** *The following members were present: Mayor Gordon Schlemmer, Alderman Terry Jeffers, Alderman Corey Thomas, Alderwoman Nicole Hardesty, Alderman Glenn Jordan, and Alderman Justin Wright.*

4. **BUSINESS OF VISITORS** *A Free Flu Shot Clinic on October 1st, 2020 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Jones Creek Volunteer Fire Department by Sweeny Community Hospital was announced to the audience.*

5. **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Discuss and approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held August 18th, 2020; and, special called meeting August 25th, 2020. *A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Mr. Corey Thomas and seconded by Mrs. Nicole Hardesty to approve the minutes of August 25th, 2020; all members were in favor, and motion passed.*
- b. Discuss and consider action on Financial, Court, Technology and Building Security, Code Enforcement and other August Monthly Reports. *Mr. Terry Jeffers made a motion to approve the August monthly reports, with a second from Mr. Justin Wright. All members were in favor and motion carried.*
- c. Discuss and consider action on drainage improvement projects and updates from Drainage Liaison Corey Thomas. *Mr. Corey Thomas gave a brief update regarding drainage projects. No further action was taken at this time.*
- d. Discuss and consider a three way stop sign at Live Oak Dr. and Arrow Lane. *Mr. Justin Wright made a motion to postpone discussing a three way stop sign at Live Oak Dr. and Arrow Ln. Mr. Terry Jeffers seconded the motion, all members voted in favor, and motion passed.*
- e. Discuss and Consider Amending Section 90.19 of the Jones Creek Code of Ordinances – Keeping of Swine. *After a brief deliberation, Mr. Corey Thomas made a motion to deny amending Section 90.19 of the Jones Creek Code of Ordinance – Keeping of Swine, with a second from Mr. Glenn Jordan. Mr. Corey Thomas, Mr. Glenn Jordan, and Mrs. Nicole Hardesty vote yea, Mr. Justin Wright and Mr. Terry Jeffers voted nay. Motion passed with a majority vote.*

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Public Hearing: Village of Jones Creek, Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Proposed Budget. *Mr. Terry Jeffers addressed the council and audience expressing his gratitude to Mayor Gordon Schlemmer and staff for preparing the budget. There was no other public comment.*
- b. Discussion and possible action regarding Ordinance 519: **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE VILLAGE OF JONES CREEK, TEXAS, GENERAL BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2020-2021; MAKING**

APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CITY FOR SUCH YEAR AS REFLECTED IN SAID BUDGET; ESTABLISHING THE PROCEDURE FOR INTRA BUDGET TRANSFERS; AND, CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT. *Mr. Terry Jeffers made the motion to approve and adopt Ordinance 519 – General Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021, with a second from Mrs. Nicole Hardesty. A record vote was taken and Mr. Glenn Jordan, Mr. Terry Jeffers, Mr. Corey Thomas, Mrs. Nicole Hardesty, and Mr. Justin Wright voted yea. Motion passed by a full majority vote.*

- c. Discussion and possible action regarding a vote to ratify the Village of Jones Creek, Texas General Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 to find that the Budget's Proposed Tax Rate will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$16,067 or 5.79% and of that amount, \$6,354 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year. *A motion was made by Mr. Terry Jeffers to ratify the General Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 to find that the Budget's Proposed Tax Rate will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$16,067 or 5.79% and of that amount, \$6,354 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year. Mr. Justin Wright seconded the motion. On a record vote, a yea was heard from Mr. Glenn Jordan, Mr. Terry Jeffers, Mr. Corey Thomas, Mrs. Nicole Hardesty, and Mr. Justin Wright voted yea. Motion passed by a full majority vote.*
- d. Discuss, consider, and adopt a Citizen Participation Plan for the CDBG-MIT program for the Village of Jones Creek. *Mr. Terry Jeffers made a motion to adopt a Citizen Participation Plan for the CDBG-MIT program for the Village of Jones Creek, with a second from Mrs. Nicole Hardesty. All members voted in favor and motion passed.*
- e. Discuss, consider, and cast an official ballot for the elections of Place 1 – 4 of the Board of Trustees for the Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool. *Place 1 was unopposed, a nomination was not required. Mr. Terry Jeffers made a motion to cast a vote for Mr. Chris Armacost for Place 2, with a second from Mr. Corey Thomas. All members voted in favor and vote was cast.*

Mrs. Nicole Hardesty made a motion to cast a vote for Mr. Jeff Synder for Place 3, and Mr. Glenn Jordan seconded the motion. All members voted in favor and vote was cast.

Finally, Mr. Terry Jeffers made a motion to cast a vote for Mr. Robert Hauck for Place 4, and Mrs. Nicole Hardesty seconded the motion. All members voted in favor, and the vote was cast.

7. **ADJOURNMENT** *A motion was made by Mr. Justin Wright and seconded by Mr. Corey Thomas to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m., all members were in favor, and motion passed.*



Gordon Schlemmer, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kimberly Morris, City Secretary/Administrator