



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, July 21st, 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 participated and addressed 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 was 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, July 21st, 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** *There was no business of visitors.*

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discuss and approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held June 16th, 2020; and, Special Emergency Meeting held on June 29th, 2020. *A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Mr. Terry Jeffers and seconded by Mr. Glenn Jordan to approve the minutes of June 16th, 2020 and June 29th, 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 June Monthly Reports; and April and May Marshal's Department Reports. *Mrs. Nicole Hardesty made a motion to approve the June monthly reports; and, April and May Marshal's Department Reports, with a second from Mr. Corey Thomas. All members were in favor and motion carried.*
- c. Discuss and Consider Quarterly Investment Report for 3rd Quarter of 2019-2020 Fiscal Year. *Mr. Terry Jeffers made a motion to accept the Investment Report for 3rd Quarter of 2019-2020 Fiscal Year. Mrs. Nicole Hardesty seconded the motion, all members were in favor, and motion carried.*
- d. Discuss and consider action on drainage improvement projects and updates from Drainage Liaison Corey Thomas. *Alderman and Drainage Liaison Corey Thomas and West Brazos Drainage Commissioner Rocky Thomas both gave a brief update regarding drainage improvement projects. Council took no further action at this time.*
- e. Discuss and Consider funding and professional services for the South Stephen F. Austin Drainage Project and North Live Oak Dr. Drainage Project. *Council discussed options for engineering services and the timeline of the projects. Mr. Glenn Jordan made a motion to approve the purchase of culverts not to exceed \$36,000 for the South Stephen F. Austin Drainage Project. Mr. Justin Wright seconded the motion and a full favorable vote by council proceeded the motion and second; and, motion passed.*

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discuss and consider an Ordinance to invoke an eight percent (8%) increase in the calculation of the No New Revenue M&O Rate. *Tax Assessor and Collector Rovin Garrett addressed and advised council regarding invoking an eight percent (8%) increase in the calculation of the No New Revenue M&O Rate. Mr. Terry Jeffers made a motion to not invoke the eight percent (8%) increase, with a second from Mrs. Nicole Hardesty. A record vote was taken and is as follows:*

Justin Wright – yea; Corey Thomas – yea; Nicole Hardesty – yea; Glenn Jordan – yea; and, Terry Jeffers – yea. Motion carried with a majority favorable vote.

- b. Discuss and Consider Budget Goals for Fiscal Year 2020/2021. *Council briefly discussed goals for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget. Mr. Corey Thomas expressed his desire to allot \$50,000 more to drainage and possibly include funds for an additional maintenance position. No further action was taken at this time.*
- c. Discuss and consider appointing a member to the Drainage Committee. *Mr. Corey Thomas made a motion to appoint Mr. Mike Noska to the Drainage Committee; and, Mr. Glenn Jordan seconded. All members voted in favor and motion carried.*
- d. Discuss and consider Ordinance 516 amending Chapter 33, Municipal Court, of its Code of Ordinances; providing for the appointment of Court Clerk; and making other findings and provisions related thereto. *Mr. Terry Jeffers made a motion to approve Ordinance 516 amending Chapter 33, Municipal Court, of its Code of Ordinances; providing for the appointment of Court Clerk; and making other findings and provisions related thereto. Mrs. Nicole Hardesty seconded the motion, all members voted in favor, and motion passed.*
- e. Discuss and consider amending Employee Handbook Organizational Chart. *A motion and a second were made by Mr. Terry Jeffers and Mrs. Nicole Hardesty, respectively, to approve amending the Employee Handbook Organizational Chart. Motion passed after a full favorable vote.*
- f. Discuss and consider a long term heavy load permit with Phillips 66 Pipeline LLC for damages of Stephen F. Austin Road and Durazno Road as used during the maintenance of the Phillips 66 pipeline. *Mr. Corey Thomas made a motion to postpone indefinitely discussion regarding a long term heavy load permit with Phillips 66 Pipeline LLC for damages of Stephen F. Austin Road and Durazno Road as used during the maintenance of the Phillips 66 pipeline or until further information can be provided. Mr. Justin Wright seconded the motion; and, motion passed after a full favorable vote.*
- g. Discuss, consider, and select an administration/project delivery service provider to complete application and project implementation for the CDBG-Mitigation (MIT) funding through the General Land Office. *Council was presented with one proposal for selecting an administration/project delivery service provider to complete application and project implementation for the CDBG-Mitigation (MIT) funding through the General Land Office. Mr. Terry Jeffers made a motion to accept the proposal from Grantworks and employee them for the services. Mr. Justin Wright seconded the motion, all members voted in favor, and motion passed.*

7. **ADJOURNMENT** *A motion was made by Mr. Glenn Jordan and seconded by Mr. Corey Thomas to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m., all members were in favor, and motion passed*


Gordon Schlemmer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberly Morris, City Secretary/Administrator