



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, May 19th, 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:

Join the meeting on Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/98568639889>

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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 are:

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** *The Village of Jones Creek Board of Aldermen held a regular called meeting on Tuesday, May 19th, 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, and Alderman Justin Wright. Alderman Glenn Jordan joined the meeting at 6:34 pm.*
- 4. BUSINESS OF VISITORS** (limited to five minutes per person) *Mrs. Nicole Hardesty advised council and the audience of the Stephen F. Austin STEM Academy Graduation*

Parade on Thursday, May 21st, 2020 at 6:30 pm. Melissa Washington with the General Land Office spoke under business of visitors also offering her help to The Village of Jones Creek in any way she can.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discuss and approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held April 21st, 2020. *A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Mr. Terry Jeffers and seconded by Mr. Corey Thomas to approve the minutes of April 21st, 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 April Monthly Reports. *Mrs. Nicole Hardesty made a motion to approve the April monthly reports, with a second from Mr. Terry Jeffers. 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 and West Brazos Drainage Commissioner Rocky Thomas gave council a brief overview of projects happening around the city. Mrs. Nicole Hardesty made a motion to seek bids for engineering for Live Oak Dr. Mr. Terry Jeffers seconded the motion, all members were in favor, and motion carried. Mr. Glenn Jordan made a motion to use the culverts purchased for 7102 Stephen F. Austin at any other location needed within the city. Mr. Justin Wright seconded the motion and motion carried after a full favorable vote.*
- d. Discuss and consider recommendations and updates from the Safe Street Committee. *Mr. Glenn Jordan made a motion to postpone discussion from the Safe Street Committee until a meeting for the committee could be held safely. Mr. Justin Wright seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and motion carried.*
- e. Consider and take possible action to approve Ordinance 513 of the City of Jones Creek declaring a public health emergency, approve an extension to the mayor's declaration of local disaster due to public health emergency, and approve a letter to the Governor concerning same due to COVID-19. *Mrs. Nicole Hardesty and Mr. Terry Jeffers made a motion and second, respectively, to approve Ordinance 513 of the City of Jones Creek declaring a public health emergency, approve an extension to the mayor's declaration of local disaster due to public health emergency, and approve a letter to the Governor concerning same due to COVID-19. All members voted in favor and motion passed.*
- f. Discuss and approve Ordinance 514 establishing rates for garbage collection and disposal services provided by the Contract. *Mr. Terry Jeffers made a motion to approve Ordinance 514 establishing rates for garbage collection and disposal*

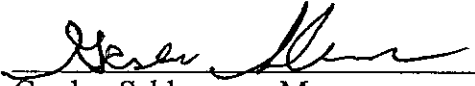
services provided by the Contract. Mrs. Nicole Hardesty seconded the motion, all members were in favor, and motion carried.

- g. Discuss and approve funding agreement with Centerpoint Energy for damages of Weldon Road and Smith Road as used during the Bailey-Jones Creek 345kV transmission line project. *Mr. Terry Jeffers and Mr. Justin Wright made a motion and second, respectively, to approve a funding agreement with Centerpoint Energy for damages of Weldon Road and Smith Road as used during the Bailey-Jones Creek 345kV transmission line project. Motion passed after a full favorable vote from council.*

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discuss and consider seeking services or employment for a temporary and/or part-time Grant Writer. *Mr. Justin Wright presented his opinion regarding the need for a temporary and/or part-time Grant Writer. Council held a brief discussion regarding the matter and Mr. Justin Wright made a motion to have Brandy Follin, Code Enforcement Office/Permit Clerk, to attend grant writing training. Mr. Terry Jeffers seconded the motion, all members voted in favor, and motion carried.*
- b. Discuss and consider allocating funds to FY 19/20 drainage budget. *Mr. Justin Wright made a motion to postpone discussions regarding allocating funds to FY 19/20 drainage budget. Mr. Corey Thomas seconded the motion and motion passed after a full favorable vote.*

- 7. ADJOURNMENT** *A motion was made by Mr. Terry Jeffers and seconded by Mr. Glenn Jordan to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m., all members were in favor, and motion passed.*


Gordon Schlemmer, Mayor

ATTEST:


Kimberly Morris, City Secretary/Administrator