Minutes, February 20, 2018

The Village of Jones Creek Board of Aldermen held a regular meeting on Tuesday, February 20th, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. The following members were present; Mayor Gordon Schlemmer, Terry Jeffers, Rocky Thomas, Glenn Jordan, Mike Chilcote, and AJ Jinkins.

The invocation was given by Mayor Gordon Schlemmer.

The pledge to the flag was said by all.

No one spoke under business of visitors.

The Minutes of January 16th, 2018 were accepted as presented after a motion and second were heard from Mr. Terry Jeffers and Mr. Rocky Thomas. All were in favor and motion carried.

Mr. Terry Jeffers made a motion to move back to business of visitors after members of the audience requested to address council. Mr. AJ Jinkins seconded the motion and all members were in favor.

Mr. Craig Brisbon addressed council with his desire to purchase the city owned property next to the truck stop. Mr. Micheal Calloway inquired about commercial business information and past water and sewer projects. Mr. Calloway was directed to the City Secretary's Office for direct answers to his questions.

Monthly reports were accepted by a motion from Mr. Mike Chilcote, and a second from Mr. Terry Jeffers. All were in agreement, motion carried.

Mr. AJ Jinkins made a motion to accept an ordinance cancelling the General Election on May 5th, 2018 due to unopposed candidacy. Mr. Glenn Jordan seconded the motion, all members were in favor, and the motion carried.

No action was taken in regards to the Joint Election Agreement with the Brazoria County Elections department due to the cancellation of the general election.

Council considered extending a variance to allow residents who live in the 6500 block of Live Oak, North Live Oak, East Stephen F. Austin, Frontier Lane, Bow Dr., Arrow Ln., and Atwood Lane to allow for Recreational Vehicles to be used as temporary housing for an additional six (6) month period due to the flood from Hurricane Harvey. Mr. Rocky Thomas made a motion to approve such variance, with a second from Mr. Mike Chilcote. All members were in favor and motion carried.

A motion to waive building permit fees of \$76.92 for residents in the 6500 block of Live Oak, North Live Oak, East Stephen F. Austin, Frontier Lane, Bow Dr., Arrow Ln., and Atwood Lane for plumbing, including gas, and electrical permits, which are a health and

safety concerns, for the retroactive from period of November 12, 2017 to extend to April 30th, 2018 to help residents restore their homes, was made by Mr. Rocky Thomas. Mr. AJ Jinkins seconded the motion, all were in favor, and the motion carried.

To adhere to ordinance criteria, council was asked to reappoint five members to the zoning board, and five members and four alternate members to the board of adjustments. After consideration, Mr. Glenn Jordan made a motion to appoint Mr. Doug Kirk, Ms. Granva Allen, and Mr. Landis Adams to a two year term; and Mrs. Scotta Stanley and Mr. Edward Hyde to a one year term to the Jones Creek Zoning Board. Mr. Terry Jeffers seconded the motion, all members were in favor, and motion carried to re-established the appropriate number of members and term limits. Mr. Glenn Jordan made another motion, with a second from Mr. Rocky Thomas, to appoint Mrs. Dana Chilcote, Mr. Bill McNutt, Mr. Brent Pittman, Mr. Brett Robertson, and Mr. John Rice to the Board of Adjustments to a two year term. All members were in favor and motion carried to appoint said members.

Marshal William Tidwell requested for council to appoint two new police officers to the Marshal's Office. Mr. Glenn Jordan made the motion to appoint the officers, with a second from Mr. AJ Jinkins. All members were in favor and motion carried.

Mr. Glenn Jordan made a motion to add Martin Luther King Day to the Holidays observed by the City. Mr. Rocky Thomas seconded the motion, all were in favor, and motion carried.

Mr. Rocky Thomas expressed his desire to see the City owned properties on the highway mowed. Marshal William Tidwell advised him that Mr. Jeffery Stanley would be providing lawn maintenance for the area directly around the old bank, as per his sign lease agreement, and Mr. Robert Nugent would be bailing the hay. He also stated that our maintenance department would begin mowing the property next to the truck stop. No further action was taken by council at this time.

Council was asked to consider drafting an ordinance to require newly constructed commercial property to provide landscaping plans and maintenance. Mr. Rocky Thomas made a motion to entertain an ordinance at next council meeting in regards to landscaping requirements, with a second from Mr. Mike Chilcote. All members were in favor and motion carried.

After a lengthy discussion between Council, residents, and Marshal William Tidwell in regards to traffic safety concerns, Mr. Rocky Thomas made a motion to postpone indefinitely further discussions. Mr. Glenn Jordan seconded the motion, all members were in favor, and motion carried.

Mr. AJ Jinkins made a motion to table further discussions about animal at large issues, with a second from Mr. Glenn Jordan. All were in favor, motion carried.

Future agenda items are as follows:

- Landscaping Ordinance
- Drainage Issues

Mr. Rocky Thomas made the motion to adjourn at 7:18 p.m. With a second from Mr. Mike Chilcote, all were in favor, and motion carried.

Gordon Schlemmer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberly Morris, City Secretary/Administrator