

**MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The City of Jesup Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting Tuesday, May 3, 2016, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber. Mayor David Earl Keith called the meeting to order. Roll call was as follows:

Mayor, David Earl Keith	Present
Commissioner, Shirlene Armstrong	Present
Commissioner, Don A. Darden	Present
Commissioner, Nick Harris	Present
Commissioner, Bill Harvey	Late
Commissioner, Ray House	Present
Commissioner, Bobby Townsend	Present
City Attorney, Mike Conner	Present
City Manager, Mike Deal	Present
Police Chief, Glenn Takaki	Present

The Lord's Prayer was led by City Attorney Conner.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Police Chief Takaki.

Commissioner Harris made motion seconded by Commissioner Armstrong to approve the minutes of the regular meeting dated April 19, 2016.

All Council present voted yes.

Commissioner House stated he was not going to vote in favor of amending the Ordinance to have one regular meeting per month because the City Code calls for 2 meetings.

Commissioner Darden reminded Commissioner House even if the Ordinance is amended, Council could still call a meeting whenever needed to handle business of the City.

Commissioner Harris made motion seconded by Commissioner Darden to approve the 2nd reading of an Ordinance to amend the dates and times for regular Council meetings.

Commissioners Townsend and House voted no. All remaining Council present voted yes.

City Manager Deal noted after the bid opening, Consolidated discovered both garbage trucks they bid had been sold. Consolidated was able to secure 2 more trucks, replacing the 2015 automated side loader with a 2016 at the same price.

Public Works Director Eddie Williams recommended awarding the bid on a 2016 Peterbilt front loader garbage truck to Consolidated, low bidder, in the amount of \$223,771.00.

Commissioner House made motion seconded by Commissioner Harris to award the bid on a 2016 Peterbilt front loader garbage truck to Consolidated, low bidder, in the amount of \$223,771.00.

All Council present voted yes.

Bids were as follows:

Bunch	2017 Mack	<u>\$240,981.16</u>
Consolidated	2016 Peterbilt	<u>\$223,771.00</u>
Rush Truck Center	2017 Peterbilt	<u>\$233,123.00</u>

Public Works Director Williams recommended awarding the low bid on a 2016 Peterbilt automated side loader garbage truck to Consolidated, low bidder, in the amount \$254,997.00.

Commissioner House made motion seconded by Commissioner Harris to award bid on a 2016 Peterbilt automated side loader garbage truck to Consolidated, low bidder, in the amount of \$254,997.00.

All Council present voted yes.

Bids were as follows:

Bunch	2017 Mack	<u>\$287,876.30</u>
Consolidated	2016 Peterbilt	<u>\$254,997.00</u>
	2015 Peterbilt	<u>\$257,158.00</u> (Demo)
	2015 Mack	<u>\$258,746.00</u> (Demo)
	2015 Mack	<u>\$264,625.00</u>
	2015 Mack	<u>\$285,956.00</u>
Rush Truck Center	2017 Peterbilt	<u>\$269,233.00</u>

City Manager Deal informed Council representatives from another Solar Power Company, Coastal Solar, were present to request a few minutes of their time.

Dr. Chandler Boyd and Bill Johnson, with Coastal Solar, talked about their company, what they do, and what they could offer the City concerning solar power at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. They asked for an opportunity to do a presentation during a Work Session.

Commissioner Harvey arrived.

Mayor Keith suggested having a Work Session next Tuesday, May 10, 2016, at 5:00 P. M., at City Hall for discussion of solar power at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

All Council agreed.

City Manager Deal distributed copies of the proposed 2016-17 Budget to Council, and stated his City Clerk did an excellent job preparing the Budget.

Commissioner House suggested adding discussion of the 2016-17 Budget to the already scheduled Work Session agenda.

All Council agreed.

Commissioner Armstrong referred to the "City of Jesup In Action" Polo shirt she was wearing, and announced she recently formed a committee of local volunteers. She reported they plan to visit the Boys and Girls Club tomorrow, and are looking forward to doing good things throughout the community.

Commissioner Harris commended the ladies at City Hall for the great job they do at keeping the City's website information, such as meeting agendas and minutes, up-to-date.

Commissioner Townsend stated he would like to have seen the City accept donations for the Coal Ash Fund, but that didn't happen. He noted great things are in store, and encouraged the Media to contact Peggy Riggins and keep the public informed about what they can do to help in the fight against Coal Ash. He also commended Ms. Riggins for all the hard work she has done.

Mayor Keith announced Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has scheduled a meeting for Thursday, May 12, 2016, in Atlanta, at 2:00 P. M., concerning the Coal Ash.

Commissioner Townsend announced he recently learned his cancer has returned, and asked everyone to keep him in their prayers.

Commissioner Harvey stated he saw in the newspaper where City Manager Deal went to the Wayne County Board of Commissioners to discuss the Fire Rescue Truck the City recently purchased.

City Manager Deal stated Wayne County is looking for ways to reimburse the City for ½ of the expense of purchasing the Fire Rescue truck.

Mayor Keith thanked City Manager Deal, Fire Chief Gene Lane, and Assistant Fire Chief Josh Huffman for going to the Wayne County meeting and discussing the Fire Rescue truck since it will be used County-wide.

Mayor Keith also commended Ashley Brannen on the good job she is doing with the landscaping downtown.

Commissioner Darden reminded Council that Commissioner Harvey was the person who introduced the idea to amend the ordinance to have only one regular meeting per month, but wasn't present to vote on it.

City Attorney Conner advised Commissioner Darden he could make a motion to reopen the question, and allow Commissioner Harvey to vote on it.

Commissioner Darden made motion seconded by Commissioner Armstrong to reopen the question to approve the 2nd reading of an Ordinance to amend the dates and times for regular Council meetings.

Commissioner Harvey voted yes.

Meeting Adjourned,

Rose Marcus-Jackson
City Clerk-Treasurer