

Regular Council Meeting Minutes
August 1, 2022

Present: Steve Cozart, Donna Bullock, Jane Hayes, Nina Hendricks, Josh Holloway, Gretchen McPherson, Shon Owens, Eric Seib, April Watson, Crystal Weatherington, Tony Howard, Connie Wilkes

Meeting Call to Order: Eric Seib

Prayer: Josh Holloway

Pledge: Jane Hayes

Approve Minutes: Councilwoman Hayes made a motion to accept the regular council meeting minutes from July 18, 2022, as written. Seconded by Councilwoman Hendricks. 4 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

1. Town of Jay Report:

Engineering Report: Ms. Weatherington presented the engineering report. The waterline is 95% complete. We are just waiting on the hospital to complete the backflow on their end. The gas line is also about 95% complete. The CDBG grant is ready to start the bid process. There have been a few issues at the Bray-Hendricks Park renovation with locating the current utilities. Eric will reach out to former employees for more information so that the project can move forward.

Operations Report: Mr. Seib presented the operations report (attached). Discussion followed regarding the demolition at the park. Town employees along with donated equipment have been able to complete a great deal of the demolition. Councilwoman Hayes made a motion to reject all submitted bids for demolition due to the costs. Seconded by Councilman Holloway. 4 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried. Mayor Owens expressed his concerns regarding the time frame for the park project. Discussion followed. Mr. Cozart stated that the town needed to decide what the layout for State Street should be so that the project can move forward with easements for the paving. Ms. Weatherington will work on a couple of possibilities for the width of the street.

2. Old Business:

TRIM Budget Preparations: Councilwoman Hayes made a motion to maintain the trim at 3.8 mils. Seconded by Mayor Owens. 4 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried. Discussion followed regarding the required budget meeting. The meeting will be held at 5:15 pm on Wed. September 8, 2022 following the regular council meeting at 4:30 pm.

3. New Business:

Land Development Code Ordinance: Ms. Bullock read Ordinance 22-02-01 for the first reading.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF JAY, FLORIDA AMENDING THE TOWN OF JAY
LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDING CHAPTERS I, II, IV, V, VI, VII,
VIII, AND X, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilwoman Hayes made a motion to accept the first reading of Ordinance 22-02-01. Seconded by Councilman Holloway. 4 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Santa Rosa County Courthouse Ribbon Cutting: Mr. Seib presented the council with a flyer (attached) regarding the ribbon cutting for the new Santa Rosa County Courthouse on August 17, 2022, at 10:00 am.

Nuisance Letter: A nuisance letter has been sent to Prescott's Gas regarding cleaning up their property (attached). Deputies made a walk through of some properties on Magnolia Ave. and Harrison Ave. with 15-day clean up notices. Discussion followed.

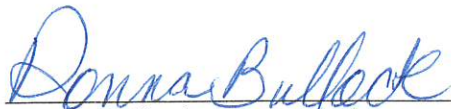
Rural Infrastructure Contract: The price totals for the coverings of the basketball courts came in extremely high. The council requested to check into other companies for costs.

4. Visitor Comments: Connie Wilkes, Jay High School Band Director, thanked the Town for the donation of the picnic tables from the park. She stated that they had been repaired and repainted and would be utilized for band practices as well as at football games. Tony Howard asked the council if the Mason could provide the cornerstone for the new park building. Discussion followed and the council stated that they would discuss further once the project progresses.

Councilwoman Hayes made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mayor Owens. 4 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

5. Reminders:

The next Regular Town Council Meeting will be Monday, August 1, 2022.



Donna Bullock, Town Clerk



Shon Owens, Mayor