

MINUTES
JACKSON COUNTY COUNCIL
January 20, 2016
6:00 PM

Members Present: Councilman Leon Pottschmidt, Councilwoman Rebecca Schepman, Councilman Brian Thompson, Councilman Charlie Murphy, Councilman Joe Bowman and Councilman Michael Davidson and Councilwoman Bridey Jacobi

Members Absent: All Present

Councilman Leon Pottschmidt called the Regular meeting to order at 6:00pm. The Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Sheriff Mike Carothers performed the swearing in of the Council.

Councilman Brian Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2015 meeting minutes, as presented. Councilman Charlie Murphy seconded. Seven (7) yes votes, motion carried.

Reports from Other Committees: None

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2016

Councilman Pottschmidt opened the floor for nominations for President of County Council. Councilman Thompson made a motion to elect Councilman Murphy for President. Councilwoman Becky Schepman seconded. Seven (7) yes votes, motion carried. Councilman Murphy then opened the floor for nominations for Vice-President of County Council. Councilman Pottschmidt made a motion to elect Councilman Thompson as Vice President. Councilman Joe Bowman seconded. Councilman Murphy then asked for a motion to close nomination. Councilman Pottschmidt so moved. Councilwoman Schepman seconded. Seven (7) yes votes to close nomination, motion carried. Seven (7) yes votes, for Councilman Thompson as Vice President, motion carried.

Commissioner Jerry Hounshel and Danny Wessel then came before Council to request the purchase of a front wheel assist tractor, a 1025 R John Deere w/ 2 year warranty. The quote provided from Deere Country included a front end loader, 54" snow blade, 60" deck, roller, weights and trailer. Commissioner Hounshel proposed keeping the old mower, an 18 year old Simplicity, and moving it to Superior Court in Seymour, which would eliminate the transporting that currently takes place. Commissioner Hounshel then stated that Commissioners approved the purchase, spending no more than \$19,000 on the tractor, pending council approval. After discussion, Councilman Thompson made a motion to approve the purchase for \$18,850 to be paid out of the Cum Cap Fund. Councilwoman Schepman seconded. Seven (7) yes votes, motion carried.

Council members then discussed the current pay of the PTABOA board. Currently the pay is \$75 for Level I & II per day and \$350 for Level III per day. After discussion, Councilman Pottschmidt made a motion to change the daily pay amounts to the following:

Level I - \$100.00
Level II - \$200.00
Level III - \$350.00

Councilman Thompson seconded. Seven (7) yes votes, motion carried.

Council Board Appointments were then discussed. Councilman Pottschmidt made a motion to appoint the following:

Board of Review – Nadine Burcham, Bob Gillaspie
Jackson Co Plan Commission – Leon Pottschmidt
Jackson Co Board of Zoning Appeals – Dr. Don Cummings
Alcoholic Beverage Board – Chad Leinart
Jackson Co Industrial Development Corp – Becky Schepman
Ambulance Services Authority Board – Joe Bowman
Jackson Co Juvenile Home – Michael Davidson
Extension Board – Leon Pottschmidt
Jackson Co Solid Waste Mgmt Board of Directors – Brian Thompson
Emergency Mgmt Council – Charlie Murphy
Seymour Chamber of Commerce – Becky Schepman
Child Care Network – Bridey Jacobi
Juvenile Detention Center Advisory Board – Charlie Murphy
Councilman Joe Bowman seconded the above listed appointments. Seven (7) yes votes, motion carried.

Branden Robbins with Reedy Financial then came before the Council for the New Bond Review. Robbins presented Option 1 & Option 2.

Option 1 – CIB like County has done before

Option 2 – Reduce amount of the 3 year CIB & supplement with Series B Bonds over longer period of time (6 years).

It was stated that the Department requests for the new bond total \$3,039,000. Option 2 could reduce that amount, allowing the Sheriff/Jail & Juvenile Home HVAC systems go into the Series B bond.

Robbins then stated that he is waiting to hear from Bond Council (Barnes & Thornburg) to verify that Option 2 would be suitable for this situation, and if so, what are the next steps. Robbins then asked Council to review the information that was provided to them.

Council Contracts Review –

Councilwoman Schepman and Councilmen Bowman and Davidson sat on the committee to review the County Attorney and Financial Advisor Contracts. It was stated that emails were sent out to all members for review and that the committee would like council members to bring recommendations to the next meeting.

Attorney Susan Bevers was then advised to draft a new Financial Advisor contract, requesting hourly itemization for the contract committee to review.

Auditor Kathy Hohenstreiter then came before Council with the following:

1. 2015/2016 Carry-overs were presented.
2. 2015 Fund report was presented.

3. Review of 2010 and 2013 GOB balances were presented. Hohenstreiter stated that a bill to Dell for phones would use up the balance of the 2010 bond, and the rest of the bill would be paid from the balance of the 2013 bond.
4. Statewide 911 will distribute \$5,000,000 across the state. Jackson County will be receiving a portion of that money, no details yet as to the county share amount.

Sheriff Mike Carothers then presented the December 2015 Jail Report, Meal Expenditure Report and Dog Detention Report. Sheriff Carothers then presented the 2015 Annual Meal Expenditure Report and the July 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015 Commissary Report.

Councilwoman Jacobi made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Pottschmidt seconded. Seven (7) yes votes, motion carried.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 17, 2016.

Signed this 17th day of February, 2016.

Leon Pottschmidt – President

Joe Bowman

Michael Davidson

Brian Thompson

Becky Schepman

Charlie Murphy

Bridey Jacobi

Kathy Hohenstreiter - attest