

CITY OF JEFFERSON
Regular Council Meeting Via Teleconference
April 23, 2020
3:30pm

COUNCILORS PRESENT: Dave Beyerl, Audrey Webster, David Watkins, Edna Campau, Walt Perry, Bob Rossiter

COUNCILORS ABSENT: Mayor Michael Myers

STAFF PRESENT: Sarah Cook, CM/R; Jeff Buskirk, PWD; Dillon Peck, Library Director

Prior to the call to order, Sarah Cook offered brief instructions for the Council and those calling in. She noted the Mayor was on a conference call with Governor Brown's office, so he would not be in attendance. She proceeded to take a verbal roll call of the City Council and then Council President, Dave Beyerl called the meeting to order at 3:30pm.

I. OLD BUSINESS – none

II. NEW BUSINESS

3.1 3-Year Contract Renewal with Westech Engineering

Dave Beyerl indicated he saw no changes in the contract and pointed out the City was currently in the middle of a multi-million-dollar water treatment plant project, of which Westech was a major player. Councilor Perry moved to approve the contract renewal with Westech Engineering. Councilor Watkins seconded. All in favor by verbal roll call: Ayes - 5, Opposed- 0. **APPROVED.**

3.2 FY 2020-21 IGA with Marion County Sheriff's Office Re: Police Services

Councilor Campau expressed appreciation for the clarification Sarah Cook obtained from the County regarding some of their expense line items. Councilor Rossiter moved to approve the FY 20-21 contract with MCSO. Audrey Webster seconded. All in favor by verbal roll call: Ayes - 5; Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

3.3 Library Youth Services Coordinator Proposal

Councilor Watkins complimented the work of staff and was in favor of the proposal. Bob Rossiter noted he watched the story time video earlier that week and thought it was excellent. Councilor Campau moved to adopt the job description for new position titled Library Youth Services Coordinator, as presented, with an effective date of July 1, 2020. Walt Perry seconded. All in favor by verbal roll call: Ayes – 5, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

Councilor Campau proceeded to the second motion, moving that the new position, titled Library Youth Services Coordinator, be added to the City's 10-Step pay scale, with Step 1 beginning at \$16 per hour, with an effective date of July 1, 2020. Councilor Webster seconded. All in favor by verbal roll call: Ayes – 5, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilor Perry moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. David Watkins seconded. All in favor by verbal roll call: Ayes – 5, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

IV. VISITORS - Sarah Cook announced she would unmute all callers for anybody wishing to speak as a visitor. There were none.

V. COUNCIL & STAFF COMMENTS

Edna Campau noted it was her first time teleconferencing and it was an interesting experience.

Audrey Webster complimented all staff at City Hall, Library, and Public Works for doing a good job to keep the City moving, noting everybody would remember these times forever.

Walt Perry agreed with Councilor Webster, adding the City was doing a fantastic job, moving ahead with the water project, the City in general had an upbeat tone, businesses were still operating, people were utilizing small town services; all great to see.

David Watkins noted many businesses were working together, which was good to see. He had been trying to work on getting the Chamber up and going but needed somebody with website experience that was reasonably priced.

Bob Rossiter also voiced appreciation for the work of staff and the whole City, noting he was happy to see the businesses that stayed open and was doing the best he could to support them. He also reminded everybody of the Senior Class Cruise that would take place that Saturday at 3pm.

Edna Campau requested a brief update from Jeff Buskirk regarding the Conser House, to which he shared public works had removed all the bookshelves, the old carpet exposing the wood floor, and all the skirting boards from around the outside so a contractor could submit an accurate bid. The second chimney was also taken down.

Walt Perry spoke on the adventure it had been having a school-aged child in his home doing home-schooling, noting he was learning right alongside him.

Sarah Cook spoke briefly about the upcoming budget season, noting it would be handled very different than what everybody was used to. She would send out an inquiry the coming week to pin down a date that worked for the majority of members.

Dave Beyerl thanked everybody for being on the call today, noting it went pretty well for a first time.

VI. ADJOURNMENT – Walt Perry moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Rossiter. All were in favor after a verbal roll call and the teleconference adjourned at 3:56pm.

MINUTES APPROVED this 28th day of May, 2020.



Michael D. Myers, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sarah Cook, City Manager/Recorder