

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 5, 2013

The Jackson, Tennessee, City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 5, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. in the George A. Smith Meeting Room at City Hall with Mayor Jerry Gist and Councilmembers Charles “Pepper” Bray; Ernest Brooks II; Harvey Buchanan; David Cisco; Scott Conger; Johnny Dodd; Vicky Foote; Charles Rahm; and Randy Wallace present. Also present was Anita Brooks, recorder of the minutes.

Samuel Santos, deacon at Poplar Heights Baptist Church, gave the invocation and Councilmember Ernest Brooks II led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the October 1, 2013, meeting were approved and signed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jackson-Madison County Library Director Dinah Harris and Terica Smith, Library Board member, gave the ‘State of the Library’ report. Terica Smith advised that the Library Board terminated the library’s contract with LSSI, a private management company hired to manage the library, and went back to having a board managed library which has reaped tremendous benefits for the library. Dinah Harris shared highlights on improvements and changes that have been made at both the main library and the relocated north branch. Dinah Harris also advised the services that were offered at the library. Mayor Gist expressed appreciation to Dinah Harris and to members of the Library Board for their innovative approach to improving the

services offered at the library and recognized members of the Jackson-Madison County Library Board, Library Foundation, and Friends of the Library who were in the audience. Councilmember Conger expressed appreciation to Dinah Harris and to members of the Library Board for their innovative approach to improving the services offered at the library and their common sense approach of focusing on customer service.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to accept Kanewood Cove, Millview Cove, and portions of Mossy Oak Trail, Ravenwood Drive and Branch Creek Drive in Wright's Mill Subdivision Section 8 as city streets.

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Cisco, unanimous approval was given to accept Single Oak Cove and a portion of Branch Creek Drive in Wright's Mill Subdivision Section 9-A as city streets.

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to accept Valleydale Drive, Lansbury Place, Golden Oak Cove, and portions of Siesta Drive and Pammara Lane in Morford Subdivision Sections 7 and 8 as city streets.

On the motion of Councilmember Brooks, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to accept Cross Pointe Drive and portions of Nottingham Drive and Stornaway Drive in Wyndchase Subdivision Sections 13 and 14 as city streets.

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Foote, unanimous approval was given to a contract with Symetra Life Insurance Company for Long Term Disability, lowest and best bid received.

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Rahm, unanimous approval was given to a contract with B & B Fire Protection Company for fire extinguisher maintenance, best bid received.

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Foote, unanimous approval was given to the appointment of John Nanney to the Industrial Development Board.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Foote, unanimous approval was given to the appointment of Nancy Nanney to the Keep Jackson Beautiful Commission to fill the unexpired term of Tenille Roberts.

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to the re-appointment of Jimmy Cole to the Jackson Housing Authority Board.

On the motion of Councilmember Rahm, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to the following budget amendment requests:

GENERAL		Current	Amendment	Amended
FUND:		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
110-45130-325	Reimbursable Grant Expenses	241.25	17,530	17,771.25
<i>Revenue:</i>				
110-33468	Agriculture Tree Grant	0	8,765	8,765
110-37900	From Fund Balance	866,607	8,765	875,372

The City has received a grant from the State Department of Agriculture for planting trees at the Downtown Dog Group Park near the Farmer's Market. The grant is for \$17,530 with the city required match of \$8,765 and the state grant funding of \$8,765. The City match will come from fund balance.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Bray, unanimous approval was given to the following budget amendment requests:

GENERAL		Current	Amendment	Amended
FUND:		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
110-41311-111	Salaries – Community Services	125,664	10,852	136,516
<i>Revenue:</i>				
110-37900	From Fund Balance	875,372	10,852	886,224

The Community Services department will be hiring an after school/summer program specialist and needs an additional \$10,852 for this position. This request will be a draw on fund balance in the amount of \$10,852.

On the motion of Councilmember Bray, seconded by Councilmember Buchanan, unanimous approval was given to the payment of invoices over \$10,000.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

JERRY GIST, MAYOR