## MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA, HELD JUNE 17, 2025

10:00 a.m. - The meeting was called to order by Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 400 19<sup>th</sup> Street West, Jasper.

<u>Present</u>: Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III, Councilmembers Jenny Brown Short, Danny Gambrell, and Jennifer W. Smith, Mayor Gary Cowen, City Clerk/Administrator Kathy Chambless, City Attorney Russ Robertson

**Absent:** Councilmember Josh Gates

**Invocation:** City Planner Brent McCarver

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Youth Members of S.K.Y.

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

#### **Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell that the minutes of the regular meeting June 3, 2025, be approved.

#### <u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Consider amendments to the agenda. There were no amendments.

## Consider approval of the agenda.

## Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Smith that the agenda be approved.

## <u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Consider approval of event permits for the following:

- a) Coke Oven/Frisco Day requested by Cheryl Hall to be held at 300 25th Street W. on June 28, 2025, with a requested blockage of 25th Street.
- b) Jasper First Methodist VBS Family Night requested by Jasper First Methodist Church to be held on 3rd Avenue beside the church on July 16, 2025, with a requested blockage of a portion of 3rd Ave near 18th Street.
- c) Raising Arrows Back to School Bash requested by Raising Arrows to be held at the Courthouse Square on July 26, 2025, with a requested blockage of 3rd Ave. from 18th to 19th Street.

## Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Short to approve event permits for Coke Oven/Frisco Day, Jasper First Methodist VBS Family Night, and Raising Arrows Back to School Bash.

#### **Vote**

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Receive report and consider a recommendation for the double-wide mobile home trailer bid.

#### Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to award the bid for a 2025 Tempo Hey Jude (or equivalent) double-wide mobile home trailer to The Home Place, the lowest responsible bidder, as recommended by the Purchasing Agent.

#### **Vote**

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

## **RESOLUTION NO.: 2025 - 42**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama has given its permission to send bid invitations for 2025 TEMPO HEY JUDE (OR EQUIVALENT) DOUBLE-WIDE MOBILE HOME TRAILER,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama has received bids from the below listed in the below listed amounts,

BIDDER	AMOUNT PER UNIT
The Home Place	\$126,758.00
Timberline Homes	\$133,840.00
Freedom Homes	\$145,000.00

AND, WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper is desirous of awarding the bid to the lowest responsible bidder who has met bid specifications,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid for 2025 TEMPO HEY JUDE (OR EQUIVALENT) DOUBLE-WIDE MOBILE HOME TRAILER, be awarded to The Home Place, in the amount of \$126,758.00.

ADOPTED THIS THE 17th DAY OF June , 2025 .

Westley Church

ATTEST:

Introduce Budget Amendment #2024/25-20 to provide for the funds to purchase a 973 Track Loader for the Sanitation Department. The Budget Amendment was introduced by the City Clerk and will be considered for approval at the next regular council meeting.

Consider approval to authorize Mayor Cowen to enter into an agreement to purchase a 973 Track Loader for the Sanitation Department.

#### **Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Smith to authorize Mayor Cowen to enter into an agreement with Thompson CAT to purchase a 973 Track Loader for the Sanitation Department.

## <u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Consider adoption of a Resolution to authorize Mayor Cowen to enter into an agreement with Alabama Power Company to upgrade the lighting at the Bevill tennis courts.

#### Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Smith to adopt a Resolution to authorize Mayor Cowen to enter into an agreement with Alabama Power Company to upgrade the lighting at the Bevill tennis courts.

#### **Vote**

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

## **RESOLUTION NO.: 2025 – 43**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, desires to upgrade the lighting at the tennis courts located at 1100 Viking Dr., near Bevill State Community College; and

WHEREAS, Alabama Power Company (APC), as the City's electric service supplier, will perform the LED lighting upgrade at the above-stated property, including removal and demolition of existing luminaires; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Jasper and APC desire to enter into an Agreement under which APC will perform such services for \$75,401.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, that Mayor Gary Cowen is hereby authorized to execute an agreement between the City of Jasper and Alabama Power Company.

**ADOPTED** this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025.

Willie Moore, III, Presiding Officer

Jenny Brown Short, Councilmember

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Josh Gates, Councilmember

Jennifer W. Smith, Councilmember

ATTEST:

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Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

Consider adoption of a Resolution to authorize Mayor Cowen to enter into an agreement with LaBella Associates for general consulting services for the landfill in the amount of \$7,500.

## **Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Short to adopt a Resolution to authorize Mayor Cowen to enter into an agreement with LaBella Associates for general consulting services for the landfill in the amount of \$7,500.

# <u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

## **RESOLUTION NO.: 2025 - 44**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, wishes to retain general consulting services for the landfill; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jasper intends to enter a general consulting services agreement with LaBella Associates, D.P.C. (LaBella) in accordance with the Master Professional Services Agreement approved by the City on May 3, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Jasper and LaBella desire to enter into an Agreement under which LaBella will perform general consulting services for \$7,500.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, that Mayor Gary Cowen is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with LaBella for general consulting services.

**ADOPTED** this the 17th day of June 2025.

Willie Moore, III, Presiding Officer

Jenny Brown Short, Councilmember

Danny Gambrell, Councilmember

Josh Gates, Councilmember (absent)

Jennifer W. Smith, Councilmember

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

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# Consider granting a right-of-way easement for property located around the landfill.

## Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to grant a right-of-way easement for property located around the landfill.

## <u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

# Consider adoption of a Resolution for nuisance abatement for grass/weeds.

# Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Short to adopt a Resolution for nuisance abatement for grass/weeds.

# <u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short Councilmember Danny Gambrell Councilmember Josh Gates Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes Yes Absent Yes Yes
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## **RESOLUTION NO: 2025 - 45**

WHEREAS, the Jasper City Council finds a nuisance for grass/weeds exists at:

- 1. 905 N. Delaware Ave., Andrew Dev. Co. Inc., District 1
- 2. 1208 10th Ave., Jerry & Sam Pilato, District 4
- 3. 402 Glenview Dr., Charlotte Gunter Cook, District 4
- 4. 1010 S. 6th Ave., Herbert & Lillian McCullar, District 4
- 5. 2301 Greenwood Circle, Raymond & Alice Dunn, District 5
- 6. 1200 E. Ridgewood Rd., Zandra Brock, District 3
- 7. 1300 10th Ave. W., Floyd Russell, District 4
- 8. 2609 Preston Ave., Mildred Wilder, District 5

pursuant to ORD. 2001-718-A; and

**WHEREAS**, the Jasper City Council finds that the abatement of said nuisances should be taken.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Jasper City Council hereby approves the abatement of said nuisances.

**DONE and ADOPTED** this the 17th day of June 2025.

Willie Moore, Ill, Presiding Officer

Jenny Brown Short, Councilmember

Danny Gambrell, Councilmember

Josh Gates, Councilmember

Jennifer W Smith, Councilmember

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

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<u>Comments</u>: Mayor Cowen thanked Jasper Police, Fire, and Street departments, along with Alabama Power Company for their assistance during the recent storms.

Councilmember Smith would like to consider possibly placing cameras at some of the parks.

# Consider adjournment of the meeting.

#### **Motion**

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to adjourn the meeting.

#### <u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Absent
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

10:14 a.m. - Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

Willie Moore, III, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless, City Clerk/Administrator