

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
JASPER, ALABAMA, HELD JULY 12, 2022**

10:00 a.m. - The meeting was called to order by Presiding Officer Gary Cowen in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 400 19th Street West, Jasper.

Present: Presiding Officer Gary Cowen, Councilmembers Jenny Brown Short, Danny Gambrell, Jennifer W. Smith, and Willie Moore, III, Mayor David P. O'Mary, City Clerk/Administrator Kathy Chambless

Absent: City Attorney Russell B. Robertson

Invocation: City Planner Brent McCarver

Pledge of Allegiance: Police Captain David Mize

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Moore that the minutes of the regular meeting held June 21, 2022, be approved.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Gary Cowen	Yes

Consider amendments to the agenda. There were no amendments.

Consider approval of the agenda.

Motion

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

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Gary Cowen	Yes

Consider approval of event permits for Buddy Beasley’s Memorial Ride by Punishers Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, August 20, 2022, with blockages on 3rd Avenue.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Short to approve event permits for Buddy Beasley’s Memorial Ride by Punishers Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, August 20, 2022, with blockages on 3rd Avenue.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Gary Cowen	Yes

Consider a request for permission to renew the contract for Trophies and Awards at the same terms and pricing.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to renew the contract for Trophies and Awards at the same terms and pricing.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Gary Cowen	Yes

Receive report and consider a recommendation for a Used Commercial Garbage Truck.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Moore to receive the report of the Purchasing Agent and approve the purchase of a used 2006 Peterbilt 320 residential loader truck.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Gary Cowen	Yes

Consider adoption of a Resolution to declare a 2006 Crown Victoria as surplus property unneeded.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Short to declare a 2006 Crown Victoria as surplus property unneeded.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Gary Cowen	Yes

Consider a request for approval for the purchase of a D5 dozier for the landfill from the State Surplus Division.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Smith to purchase a D5 dozier for the landfill from the State Surplus Division.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Gary Cowen	Yes

Introduce Budget Amendment #2021/2022-11. The budget amendment was introduced by the City Clerk and will be considered at the next council meeting.

Consider adoption of a Resolution to set cost for Nuisance Abatement.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Smith to set cost for Nuisance Abatement of 501 Highland Avenue for overgrown grass/weeds.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Gary Cowen	Yes

Consider adoption of a Resolution to set cost for Nuisance Abatement.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gambrell, seconded by Councilmember Short to set cost for Nuisance Abatement of 1807 Jones Dairy Road for overgrown grass/weeds.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Gary Cowen	Yes

Consider adoption of a Resolution to authorize Mayor O’Mary to accept the proposal submitted by Williams Blackstock Architects.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Smith to adopt a Resolution to authorize Mayor O’Mary to accept the sports complex master plan proposal submitted by Williams Blackstock Architects.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Gary Cowen	Yes

Consider authorizing Mayor O’Mary to negotiate the terms and conditions for an agreement with a concessionaire to operate Walker County Lake.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to authorize Mayor O’Mary to negotiate the terms and conditions for an agreement with a concessionaire to operate Walker County Lake.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Gary Cowen	Yes

Consider adoption of a Resolution to provide economic development assistance for a retail establishment.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to adopt a Resolution to provide economic development assistance for a retail establishment.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Gary Cowen	Yes

Consider adoption of a Resolution for Nuisance Abatement of an unsafe structure.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Smith to adopt a Resolution for Nuisance Abatement of an unsafe structure.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Gary Cowen	Yes

Consider adoption of a Resolution for Nuisance Abatement of grass/weeds. The City Planner removed 705 Pine Street from the list; the property owner will take care of the grass/weeds himself.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Short to adopt a Resolution for Nuisance Abatement of grass/weeds.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Gary Cowen	Yes

Comments: Mayor noted there are less than 90 days before the end of fiscal year 2022. Fiscal year 2022 will be another performance to be proud of. He believes it will be important to take a conservative approach but is optimistic looking ahead to fiscal year 2023.

Councilmember Moore thanked the city departments for helping with the Walker County Homecoming Reunion. Moore thanked Carmen Harris, Billy Wade, Arthur Hood, and Jasper Police officers. The weekend was a great success.

Councilmember Smith asked about the changing of city district lines. City Clerk Kathy Chambless said there will be a presentation on district lines at the next work session.

Consider adjournment of the meeting.

Motion

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

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Gary Cowen	Yes

10:28 a.m. – Meeting adjourned.

A P P R O V E D:

Gary Cowen, Presiding Officer

A T T E S T:

Kathy Chambless, City Clerk/Administrator