

**Summary of Minutes  
Jacksonville City Council Meeting  
January 23, 2023**

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The Jacksonville City Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Andy Ezard in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The meeting was publicly announced by posting and by written notice to the local newspaper and radio stations.

**ROLL CALL:** The following answered present: Aldermen Mike Bartlett, Don Cook, Brett Henry, Kent Hannant, Lori Large Oldenettel, Aaron Scott, Darcella Speed, Mary Watts, Eren Williams; Mayor Andy Ezard; City Attorney Dan Beard; City Clerk Skip Bradshaw. Absent from the meeting was Alderman Alison Rubin de Celis. A quorum was declared.

**MINUTES:** Motion was made by Bartlett, seconded by Henry, to approve the January 9, 2023 Minutes as presented in advance. **By voice vote, motion carried.**

**PETITIONS:** No discussion.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** No discussion.

**CLAIMS:** No discussion.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

**1. Declaration of the month of February as Black History Month.** Mayor Ezard declared the month of February, 2023 as Black History Month for the City of Jacksonville.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

**1. Second reading of an Ordinance amending the Jacksonville Municipal Code Chapter 12 Garbage and Refuse, Article II Collectors, Division 2 Licenses, Section 12-61 Inspection of vehicles prior to issuance; display of sticker required.** Motion was made by Cook, seconded by Scott, to accept the second reading of the ordinance. CA Beard read the ordinance as proposed.

**2023-O-001 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Morgan County, Illinois, that an Ordinance AMENDING THE JACKSONVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE, CHAPTER 12 GARBAGE AND REFUSE, DIVISION 2. LICENSES, SECTION 12-61 INSPECTION OF VEHICLES PRIOR TO ISSUANCE; DISPLAY OF STICKER REQUIRED, is hereby approved.**

Mayor Ezard asked for discussion and there was none.

**ROLL CALL: 9 Yeas; 0 Nays; 1 Absent (Rubin de Celis)  
Motion carried 9-0-1.**

**2. Resolution authorizing legal services agreement and appointing Taylor Law Offices, P.C. for Tax Increment Financing Projects.** Motion was made by Oldenettel, seconded by Watts, to accept the resolution. CA Beard read the resolution as proposed.

**2023-R-009** Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Morgan County, Illinois, that a Resolution AUTHORIZING LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT AND APPOINTING TAYLOR LAW OFFICES, P.C. FOR TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PROJECTS, is hereby approved.

Mayor Ezard asked for discussion and there was none.

**ROLL CALL: 9 Yeas; 0 Nays; 1 Absent (Rubin de Celis)**  
**Motion carried 9-0-1.**

**3. First reading of an Ordinance amending the Jacksonville Municipal Code Chapter 3 Alcoholic Beverages, Article II Retail Sale, Division 2 Licenses, Section 3-64 Location; change of location; limitations on number issued – decrease Class A, Aa, B, BB, C, CC and Bowling Alley licenses by one, total 46. (BRD, Inc. dba Area 51 non-renew).** Motion was made by Cook, seconded by Scott, to accept the first reading of the ordinance. CA Beard read the ordinance as proposed.

**2023-O-005** Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Morgan County, Illinois, that an Ordinance AMENDING THE JACKSONVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE, CHAPTER 3 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, ARTICLE II RETAIL SALE, DIVISION 2 LICENSES, SECTION 3-64 LOCATION; CHANGE OF LOCATION; LIMITATIONS ON NUMBER ISSUED (Decrease Class A, AA, B, BB, C, CC, Club & Bowling Alley Licenses by one, total 46), is hereby approved.

Mayor Ezard asked for discussion and there was none.

**ROLL CALL: 9 Yeas; 0 Nays; 1 Absent (Rubin de Celis)**  
**Motion carried 9-0-1.**

**CITY CLERK’S REPORT:** No discussion.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No discussion.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

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#### **FINANCE/IT/PERSONNEL:**

**1. City Treasurer’s Report – December 31, 2022.** City Treasurer Beth Hopkins’ report for December 31, 2022, in which totals for cash receipts, cash disbursements, investments, and balances for all City bank and investment accounts were given.

**2023-R-010** Resolution AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND – (\$500,000)

**2023-R-011** Resolution AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE REVOLVING LOAN FUND – (\$500,000)

**PARKS & LAKES:**

- 2023-R-012** Resolution AUTHORIZING WAIVER OF ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS; AND ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSAL FROM MORROW BROTHERS FORD FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2023 FORD SUPER DUTY TRUCK ON STATE BID FOR THE JACKSONVILLE PARKS DEPARTMENT – (\$53,188)
- 2023-R-013** Resolution AUTHORIZING WAIVER OF ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS; AND ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSAL FOR THE PURCHASE OF A TORO GROUNDMASTER 4000 LAWN MOWER FOR THE JACKSONVILLE PARKS DEPARTMENT – (MTI Distributing, Berkeley, Missouri - \$84,808.62)

**PLANNING & PUBLIC WORKS:**

- 2023-R-014** Resolution AUTHORIZING WAIVER OF ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS; AND ACCEPTING PROPOSAL FOR DEMOLITION OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 729 SOUTH WEST STREET – (Shireman Farms Excavating - \$17,500)
- 2023-R-015** Resolution AUTHORIZING WAIVER OF ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS; AND ACCEPTING PROPOSALS FOR DEMOLITION OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 408 NORTH FAYETTE STREET – (Shireman Farms Excavating - \$7,500)

**PUBLIC PROTECTION:**

- MOTION** Motion REQUESTING THE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS TO HIRE ONE PROBATIONARY PATROLMAN FOR THE JACKSONVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

**SPECIAL STUDIES:** No discussion.

**UTILITY:**

- 2023-R-016** Resolution AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF ADVERTISEMENT OF BIDS AND ACCPEING PROPOSAL FROM BOB RIDINGS FLEET SALES RE: PURCHASE OF A 2023 FORD F350 SUPER CAB 4X4 TRUCK FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT FROM THE WATERWORKS & SEWERAGE PROJECTS FUND – (\$62,218)
- 2023-R-017** Resolution AUTHORIZING VARIOUS PAYMENTS FROM THE WATERWORKS & SEWERAGE PROJECTS FUND FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS - \$30,370.54 (Pace Analytical Services, LLC - \$3,170.78; Geosyntec Consultants - \$6,503.50; Benton & Associates, Inc. - \$6,377.65; Benton & Associates, Inc. - \$2,800; Benton & Associates, Inc. - \$11,518.61)

Motion was made by Watts, seconded by Speed, to accept the Consent Agenda. Mayor Ezard asked for discussion or if there were any items to be pulled from the Consent Agenda for further discussion and there were none.

**ROLL CALL: 9 Yeas; 0 Nays; 1 Absent (Rubin de Celis)**  
**Motion carried 9-0-1.**

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### FINANCE/IT/PERSONNEL:

1. **First reading of an Ordinance making appropriations for corporate purposes for fiscal year 2023 for the City of Jacksonville, Morgan County, Illinois.** Motion was made by Cook, seconded by Williams, to accept the first reading of the ordinance. CA Beard read the ordinance as proposed.

**2023-O-006** Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Morgan County, Illinois, that an Ordinance **MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 FOR THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, MORGAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS – (January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 - \$47,023,115.22), is hereby approved.**

Mayor Ezard asked for discussion and there was none.

**ROLL CALL: 8 Yeas; 1 Nay (Hannant); 1 Absent (Rubin de Celis)**  
**Motion carried 8-1-1.**

**PARKS & LAKES:** No discussion.

### PLANNING & PUBLIC WORKS:

1. **Second reading of an Ordinance amending the Jacksonville Zoning Map for property located at 1001 West Walnut Street from M-1 to M-1 with Special Use.** Motion was made by Scott, seconded by Cook, to accept the second reading of the ordinance. CA Beard read the ordinance as proposed.

**2022-O-029** Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Morgan County, Illinois, that an Ordinance **AMENDING THE JACKSONVILLE ZONING MAP FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1001 WEST WALNUT STREET FROM M-1 (Light Industrial District) to M-1 (Light Industrial District) WITH SPECIAL USE - (Subject to compliance with the screening requirements of the Jacksonville Zoning Ordinance), is hereby approved.**

Mayor Ezard asked for discussion and there was none.

**ROLL CALL: 9 Yeas; 0 Nays; 1 Absent (Rubin de Celis)**  
**Motion carried 9-0-1.**

2. **Second reading of an Ordinance amending the Jacksonville Zoning Map for property located at 873 North Prairie Street from R-2 to R-2 with Special Use.** Motion was made by Scott, seconded by Speed, to accept the second reading of the ordinance. CA Beard read the ordinance as proposed.

**2023-O-004** Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Morgan County, Illinois, that an Ordinance **AMENDING THE JACKSONVILLE ZONING MAP FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 873 NORTH PRAIRIE STREET FROM R-2 (One Family Dwelling District) to R-2 (One Family Dwelling District) WITH SPECIAL USE – (In-home barber shop), is hereby approved.**

Mayor Ezard asked for discussion and there was none.

**ROLL CALL: 9 Yeas; 0 Nays; 1 Absent (Rubin de Celis)**  
**Motion carried 9-0-1.**

**3. First reading of an Ordinance amending the Jacksonville Zoning Map Article 7 Sign Regulations, Section 7.8 Off-Premises Advertising Signs by adding new Section 7.8-7 Electronic Display conversion for Non-Conforming Signs and amending Article 4 District Regulations, Section 4.13-3 B-3 Limited Business District-Special Uses and Section 4.16-3 M-1 Light Industrial District-Special Uses.** Motion was made by Scott, seconded by Bartlett, to accept the first reading of the ordinance. CA Beard read the ordinance as proposed.

**2023-O-007 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Morgan County, Illinois, that an Ordinance AMENDING THE JACKSONVILLE ZONING ORDINANCE, ARTICLE 7 SIGN REGULATIONS, SECTION 7.8 OFF-PREMISES ADVERTISING SIGNS BY ADDING NEW SECTION 7.8-7 ELECTRONIC DISPLAY CONVERSION FOR NON-CONFORMING SIGNS AND AMENDING ARTICLE 4 DISTRICT REGULATIONS, SECTION 4.13-3 B-3 LIMITED BUSINESS DISTRICT – SPECIAL USES AND SECTION 4.16-3 M-1 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT – SPECIAL USES, is hereby approved.**

Mayor Ezard asked for discussion. Ald. Oldenettel will be voting against this ordinance because she feels this could present safety issues in this area and would prefer that the sign be located in a different area. CA Beard explained that to the extent that electronic signs are limited to signs already in existence, there really is no other location along Morton Avenue that an electronic sign could be located, aside from way out on East Morton Avenue.

**ROLL CALL: 8 Yeas; 1 Nay (Oldenettel); 1 Absent (Williams)**  
**Motion carried 8-1-1.**

**PUBLIC PROTECTION:** No discussion.

**SPECIAL STUDIES:** No discussion.

**UTILITY:** No discussion.

**OLD BUSINESS:** No discussion.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Ezard talked about the Nichols Park bandstand and feels the time has come for the structure to be demolished. The City has been working to save the bandstand for close to two years to no avail. For safety and health reasons, the bandstand must be demolished. Plans are to demolish the structure early this year to make way for an open grassy area with room for plants.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further discussion, motion was made by Cook, seconded by Oldenettel, to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

Recorded by City Clerk Skip Bradshaw.