

The Jewell City Council met in a Regular Session January 27, 2020, at the Jewell City Hall starting at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Reiter called the meeting to order with Council Members: Outzen, Roethler, Lorenzen and Winborn present.

APPROVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 20, 2020, SPECIAL SESSION:

Winborn made a motion to approve the minutes of January 20, 2020, Special Session. Outzen seconded the motion. Roll Call 4 – 0. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: a) Addition to agenda, b) Claims

With no additions to the consent agenda, Outzen made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Winborn seconded the motion. Roll Call 4 – 0. Motion carried.

OATH OF OFFICE: *Eric Young read and signed the Oath of Office.*

2020-2021 BUDGET:

- a. Roxie Young was present to review the library's 2019 programs discuss the 2020-2021 fiscal year budget. They are requesting \$57,109.00 from the general fund and \$10,147.00(estimate) from the tax levy. No action was taken at this time.*
- b. Mischelle Hardy and Sarah Thompson from Jewell – A Main Street Community were present to request \$40,000.00 in funding for fiscal year 2020-2021. No action was taken at this time.*
- c. Public Works Director Bernie Bell discussed replacing two pumps and some piping at the lift station for an estimated cost of \$65,000.00. He would also like to replace the generator at the water plant at an estimated cost of \$25,000.00 - \$30,000.00. He also informed the City Council the well houses will need the roofs repaired or replaced and will get a quote for the City Council to review. No action was taken at this time.*
- d. The Personnel Committee recommended a 3% city employee raise for the 2020-2021 fiscal budget. No action was taken at this time.*

JEWELL FIRE AND RESCUE:

- a. Fire Chief Hendrickson reviewed with the City Council the EMS and Fire Calls for 2019.*
- b. Outzen made a motion to approve Resolution 20-05, approving the appointment of Steven Butler to the Jewell Fire and Rescue Department. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 5 -0. Motion carried.*

RESOLUTION 20-03: *Winborn made a motion to approve Resolution 20-03, approving the appointment of Mayor Leo Reiter as the City of Jewell's representative and Kenn Outzen as the alternate to the Hamilton County Solid Waste Commission. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 4 – 0, with Outzen abstaining.*

RESOLUTION 20-04:

- a. Young made a motion to approve the dates of council meetings for the second and fourth Mondays of each month. Outzen seconded the motion. Roll Call 5 – 0. Motion carried.*
- b. Outzen made a motion to designate Availa Bank as the depository of all municipal funds and securities. Lorenzen seconded the motion. Roll Call 5 – 0. Motion carried.*
- c. Winborn made a motion to designate South Hamilton Record News as the official newspaper of publication. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 5 – 0. Motion carried.*
- d. Young made a motion to select Justin Deppe as the City of Jewell's attorney. Winborn seconded the motion. Roll Call 5 – 0. Motion carried.*
- e. Outzen made a motion to approve Mayor Reiter's appointment of Loyal Winborn as Mayor Pro Tem and to add him to the City of Jewell's bank accounts. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 4 – 0, with Winborn abstaining.*

RESOLUTION 20-06: Winborn made a motion to approve Resolution 20-06, approving the appointment of Mayor Leo Reiter and Council Member Eric Young as the City of Jewell's representatives to the EJS Police Board. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 4 -0, with Young abstaining.

SECOND READING / ORDINANCE 282: Winborn made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance 282, amending the provisions pertaining to the operating budget preparation. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 5 – 0. Motion carried.

WAIVE THIRD READING / ORDINANCE 282: Outzen made a motion to waive the third reading of Ordinance 282. Roethler seconded the motion. Roll Call 5 – 0. Motion carried.

519 PARK STREET: Young made a motion to proceed with a purchase offer of \$15,000.00 for 519 Park Street. Winborn seconded the motion. Roll Call 5 – 0. Motion carried. If accepted, the City of Jewell intends to burn down the existing house and garage and then sell the empty lot.

JEWELL MARKET: Options were discussed on how the City of Jewell might be able to assist with the Jewell Market. No action was taken at this time.

OLD FIRE DEPARTMENT / 720 COLLINS: The City of Jewell has received an offer to purchase the building and lot at 720 Collins. City Attorney Justin Deppe will review the existing rental contract on the property and the U.S. Cellular contract for the proposed cell tower. No action was taken at this time.

RECORDING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS: Winborn stated he could provide video equipment and show the City Council how it could be installed. The discussion was tabled until the next regular city council meeting. No action was taken at this time.

COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE CITY OF JEWELL AND CITIZENS: City Attorney Justin Deppe reviewed with the City Council how citizen concerns should be addressed. If a citizen believes a crime has been committed, they should report it to the Police Department. If a citizen believes there is a fire or medical emergency, they should call 911 and the Jewell Fire and Rescue Department will respond. If a citizen believes that there is a water/sewer/road issue, they should contact City Hall. If a citizen has a general concern, they will be advised that city employees or council members cannot make a decision on their own and the concern will be brought to the City Council's attention at the next city council meeting. Citizens are encouraged to come to the city council meetings and present their concerns to the City Council because that is where decisions can be made. Generally speaking, City of Jewell business should be handled at City Hall and preferably at a city council meeting.

ADJOURN: Outzen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Winborn seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Cathy Siefken, City Clerk

Leo Reiter, Mayor