

# *CITY OF 0 JONESBORO*

## *MEETING AGENDA FOR JUNE 03, 2019*

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER.** Ken Blandford
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - A. Approval of May 20, 2019 Regular Minutes
4. **GUESTS**
  
5. **ZONING REPORT** - John Pickel
6. **POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT** - David Wilkins
7. **CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** - Billy Alsip
8. **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT** - Tim Denny
- 9.. **FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT** - Tim Bowen
10. **BUSINESS**
  - A. Bills Approved For Payment
11. **OLD BUSINESS**
  - A. Rick Hicks Sewer
  - B. Vehicle Repairs
    1. Dump Truck \$4,000.00 Approximately to Repair Truck & Purchase of New Tires ???
    2. 2015 Chevrolet B. Aslip's Truck \$900.00 - Replace/Repair Air Condenser
  
12. **NEW BUSINESS**
  - A. Authorization to Update Financial Signors - Ken Blandford, Barbara Casper, Brandi Boyd
  - B. Discussion on Removal of Water Meters Inside Business's and Relocating Meters
  - C. Authorization for Donation of \$100.00 for Horse Blanket & \$50.00 for Advertising in Southern Illinois Fair Association Booklet
  - D. Authorization to Include the Union County Hyper-Reach Emergency Notification to the Utility Customer of Jonesboro
  - E. Authorization for Donation to City of Anna - 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks (\$500.00)
  - F. Discussion on Library Shed Roof Repair
  - G. Authorization for Clerk Casper to Attend a Gas Meeting In Effingham (New Gas Discounts/Payment of Invoices ) June 06, 2019
13. **MAYOR'S REPORT** - Ken Blandford
  
- 14 **CLOSED SESSION** (if necessary)
  
15. **ADJOURNMENT**

## **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**May 20, 2019**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Jonesboro City Council convened for the regular meeting on May 20, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Jonesboro City Hall with Mayor Ken Blandford presiding.

### **ROLL CALL**

Alderman present at roll call were Brandi Boyd, Bart Hileman, Beverly Schaefer, Steve Haldeman, Mike Stegle, and Ken Carlson. Others present were City Attorney Tim Denny, Police Chief David Wilkins, City Clerk Barbara Casper, and City Treasurer Shelly Pender. Absent was Zoning- John Pickel, City Superintendent Billy Alsip, and Fire Chief Tim Bowen.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Alderman Steve Haldeman, made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ken Carlson, approving the May 06, 2019 regular meeting minutes. All approved. Motion carried.

### **GUESTS**

Karen Hallam and Margaret Williams came to ask the Mayor and Council if June 1, 2019 was agreeable for the June Fest date? The Mayor and Council had no problems with the date. Karen Hallam asks for the usual donation for June Fest and Color Fest for the bands and the potty houses. The usual donation was thought to be \$1,500.00 but Clerk Casper is to check the minutes from last year. Alderman Brandi Boyd made a motion, seconded by Alderman Steve Haldeman for the usual donation be made to the Library for the June Fest and Color Fest Bands. All approved. Motion carried.

Doug Edwards, Jonesboro's Representative to the AJ Water Commission, came to update the Mayor and Aldermen on the AJWC. Edwards reported Ed Earnhart will be retiring after 30 plus years with the AJWC at the end of June. The AJWC is planning on having something for Earnhart at a later date and the City of Jonesboro will be notified of the date and time. Doug Edwards shared there is going to be a couple of positions coming open. David Gregg is planning on retiring in 2020 and a part time secretarial position is being created.

Since the chlorination monitor has been installed there have been no spikes in chlorine and thing seen to be going well. Doug Edwards stressed the City of Jonesboro needs to schedule a major flush of the system and do this twice a year.

Mayor Blandford stated he would ask the City Superintendent Billy Alsip when he is planning on flushing the system.

Ted Beggs, J. T. Blankinship, came to share the three bids he received for the replacement of the PRV on Ashlar Street. The bids are as follows \$19,500.00 from ACIX out of Chester Il., \$24,375.00 from Scott Escue Construction, LLC, Cobden, Il., and \$28,777.00 from Followell Construction Co. out of Marion, Il. Ted Beggs recommended accepting the bid of \$19,500.00 from ACIX out of Chester Illinois. ACIX has done work for the City of Jonesboro before. Alderman Mike Stegle made a motion, seconded by Alderman Steve Haldeman accepting the bid of \$19,500.00 from ACIX to repair the PRV on Ashlar Street. All approved. Roll call taken: Brandi Boyd Yea Bart Hileman Yea Beverly Schaefer Yea Steve Haldeman Yea Mike Stegle Yea Kenneth Carlson Yea Motion carried by all affirmative votes.

### **REPORTS**

Alderman Mike Stegle made a motion, seconded by Alderman Bart Hileman accepting the Treasurer's Report for April 2019 as presented. All approved. Motion carried.

Alderman Mike Stegle made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ken Carlson authorizing the purchase of a \$100,000.00 CD with an area bank that has the best interest rate. All approved.

Roll call taken: Brandi Boyd Yea Bart Hileman Yea Beverly Schaefer Yea  
Steve Haldeman Yea Mike Stegle Yea Kenneth Carlson Yea  
Motion carried by all affirmative votes.

Police Chief David Wilkins reported Officer Clover's car had to be repaired. The fan motor came apart and went into the radiator. Chief Wilkins asked to purchase a cage for his patrol car and have it installed. Alderman Bart Hileman made a motion, seconded by Alderman Steve Haldeman approving the purchase of a cage for Police Chief David Wilkins' vehicle and having Anthony Pena install the cage. All approved. Roll call taken: Brandi Boyd Yea  
Bart Hileman Yea Beverly Schaefer Yea Steve Haldeman Yea  
Mike Stegle Yea Ken Carlson Yea Motion carried with all affirmative votes.

Mayor Blandford had an email from UGM for the last of the paper work, an opinion letter, for the new gas purchase program for the City Attorney, Tim Denny to review. City Attorney Tim Denny will take a look at the paper work.

Clerk Casper talked with City Attorney Tim Denny concerning mowing problems with properties that are in foreclosure. Clerk Casper thought if a property was in foreclosure a lien could not be placed against the property. City Attorney Tim Denny replied he thought a lien could be placed on a foreclosed property. Denny will check into this further.

City Attorney Denny wanted to ask Fire Chief Bowen more about the Coal Belt, but Bowen was not present at this meeting.

#### **BUSINESS**

Alderman Ken Carlson, made a motion, seconded by Alderman Mike Stegle, approving the bills as presented. All approved. Motion carried.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

The PRV on Ashlar Street was discussed earlier.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Blandford asked to table the Rick Hicks sewer until City Attorney Billy Alsip is present.

Mayor Blandford asked to table the vehicle repairs until City Attorney Billy Alsip is present.

Clerk Casper asked if the water meters could be moved out of the basements of the Newcomb Heating and Air Conditioning building, From the Heart, and the David Newberry building. There have been problems in the past with the Newcombs and previously there was a problem with the Newberry building. Clerk Casper was just trying to make it easier on the meter readers and if the meter needed to be turned off not having to make arrangements with the building owner to get into the building.

Alderman Mike Stegle replied it would be time consuming and the expense of replacing the sidewalk. Alderman Stegle understood the problem but would like to discuss this more when City Superintendent Alsip was present to get his opinion with moving the meters.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

After all business was discussed, Alderman Mike Stegle made a motion to adjourn this meeting with a second coming from Alderman Bart Hileman, therefore Mayor Blandford adjourned this session of the Jonesboro City Council.

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Barbara Casper, City Clerk

## **Union County IL Selects Emergency Notification Provider Hyper-Reach Chosen to Help Protect Lives and Property**

Union County is proud to announce the Hyper-Reach Mass Notification service to the citizens of Union County. This service was a joint purchase between Union County Emergency Services, A-J, Anna, Cobden, Dongola, Jonesboro, Lick Creek, Shawnee and Tri County School Districts, City of Anna, Village of Cobden, Village of Dongola and City of Jonesboro.

Telephone-based mass notifications systems are used by thousands of public safety agencies across the US to warn citizens about local emergencies, hazards and other threats. Now Union County announces that they have selected Hyper-Reach to help bring this same life-saving capability to the area. Hyper-Reach is a state-of-the-art mass emergency notification system designed specifically for public safety.

The new emergency alert system will provide rapid notification of hazardous and urgent situations using a mix of telephone calls, text and email messages, and even TTY/TDD service for the hearing impaired. The system sends thousands of these messages to geographically targeted households in seconds, and can simultaneously deliver them to an even broader audience via social media, as well as sending broadcast messages to most current mobile telephones (made since 2011) in an affected area by providing access to FEMA's Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA) system. "Our job is to protect the citizens of Union County as effectively and cost-effectively as possible." said Sheriff Scott Harvel. "We reviewed all the major vendors for emergency notification service, and Hyper-Reach gave us everything we needed at an unbelievable price. We're really excited about this new capability."

The County plans to use the service primarily for alerts about weather and environmental hazards, criminal activity and missing persons. All the entities involved with the purchase of the software encourage residents and people who work in Union County to enroll now either by calling or texting "Alert" to 618 661-0591 or by going to the website <http://hyper-reach.com/ilunionsignup.html>. Citizens can also download the Hyper-Reach Anywhere app on their smartphone. Hyper-Reach Anywhere is a free smartphone app that allows individual citizens to manage and monitor the alerts they receive, both for their home and office addresses and for other addresses they care about such as those of elderly relatives or friends.

If you have any issues signing up or questions please contact Crystal Gurley, 9-1-1 Director for assistance 618-833-5442.

City of Anna  
103 Market St.  
Anna, Il. 62906

The City of Anna and The Anna Fire Department is starting its **ANNUAL FUND DRIVE FOR THE PURCHASE OF FIREWORKS FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY.** Contributions from supporters helps to ensure that we are able to continue to provide a fireworks display that honors our country and the freedom that has been earned.

In the past, your contributions have been very helpful in the continued efforts of the City of Anna to host a display that is enjoyed by all surrounding communities.

This year we are asking each corporation/business to help with continued contributions to ensure the continued success of the program.

\$20            \$30            \$40            Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

We are asking that all contributions be sent to the following address:

City of Anna  
103 Market St.  
Anna, Il. 62906

Sincerely,



*Chief Gary Rider*