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#### MINUTES SPECIAL CALLED MEETING JANUARY 3, 2019

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas met on January 3, 2019 with the following members present to wit:

Gary Gatlin		Mayor
Tommy Sch	ofield	Council Member
Hazel Johns	on	Council Member
Raymond H	onson	Council Member
Mitch McM	illon	Council Member
Danisa Kall	av.	City Manager / Finance Director
Robbie Peek	k	City Secretary / Finance Assistant
Members absent:	Rashad Lewis	Council Member

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gary Gatlin at 12:00 PM and opened with prayer by Mayor Gatlin.

Mayor Gary Gatlin began the meeting with the first agenda item of discussion and possible action regarding a partnership with JEDCO for a possible pending project. He explained that this project involves a possible venture with a company out of Alabama, and if it comes to fruition within the next 2 to 3 weeks, there is the potential employment in this area of between 200 and 300 people, initially starting with 80, and an annual income associated with that of about \$18 million within 2 to 3 years. He also indicated the City is looking to enter into a partnership with JEDCO for potentially buying some land, having already been in contact with some owners of land subject to the company coming to Jasper. The proposal is for the City of Jasper to take the lead with 70% of the investment and JEDCO 30%, at an estimate of one million dollars total, with around \$700,000 for the City as the initial investment.

A motion was made by Councilmember Tommy Schofield to enter into partnership with Jasper Economic Development Corporation as well as accepting the 70% initial investment by the City of Jasper, and 30% by JEDCO, thus naming the partnership Jasper United. Second was made by Councilmember Hazel Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Gary Gatlin removed the last item on the agenda of possibly designating boundaries of reinvestment zone because he felt it was premature at this stage in the project. He asked City Manager Denise Kelley to come back to Council with that item when she deemed the City ready for that phase.

Councilmember Mitch McMillon expressed a desire to see Council continue working on the downtown area by cleaning it up and making improvements. JEDCO director Eddie Hopkins announced that they are currently waiting on closing a purchase of some of the property of interest and the City of Jasper has already offered help in demolition, along with the County offering help obtaining labor. Mr. Hopkins thanked the Mayor and City Council for their willingness to work as a community on this project. Councilmember Tommy Schofield in turn thanked JEDCO for their efforts.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:15 PM.

Gary Gatlin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Robbie Peek, City Secretary

## MINUTES Regular Called City Council Meeting January 22, 2019

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas met on January 22, 2019 with the following members present to wit:

Gary Gatlin	Mayor
Raymond Hopson	Mayor Pro-Tem
Rashad Lewis	Council Member
Tommy Schofield	Council Member
Hazel Johnson	Council Member
Mitch McMillon	Council Member (Absent)
Denise Kelley	City Manager / Finance Director
Karen Pumphrey	City Secretary

Mayor Gatlin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Council Member Rashad Lewis gave the opening prayer. City Council Member Mitch McMillon was absent however; all other council members were present for the meeting.

Mayor Gatlin presented an award for the City of Jasper 2017 Water Fluoridation Quality.

Mr. Steven Lee with Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins and Mott, LLP gave a presentation for the collection of delinquent taxes.

Departmental Reports – No questions or comments were made. Public Comments – None were made.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve the following minutes: Regular Called City Council Meeting, December 17, 2018 and Special Called City Council Meeting, January 3, 2019. Second by Council Member Tommy Schofield. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Rashad Lewis to approve the request from Mr. Lance Devenger, requesting to change the name of the side street in which his home sits on to Devenger Lane. Second by Council Member Tommy Schofield. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve Resolution No. 2968 for the sale of Trust Property through a Public Resale Auction. Second by Council Member Rashad Lewis. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve the following:

- Order of General Election for May 4, 2019.
- Notice of Election for May 4, 2019.
- Set Date for Canvassing May 4, 2019 Election for Monday, May 13, 2019.

Second by Council Member Rashad Lewis. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Tommy Schofield to approve the following:

- Interlocal Government Agreement between the city of Jasper and Jasper Independent School District to conduct a joint election on May 4, 2019.
- Interlocal Government Agreement between Jasper County and City of Jasper for the May 4, 2019 Election.

Second by Council Member Rashad Lewis. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Gatlin announced that the Executive Session will be canceled and moved to the next regular scheduled meeting regarding the City Manager's annual performance Review so all council members could attend along with their performance reports.

There being no further business to discuss, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Gary Gatlin, Mayor

ATTEST:

# MINUTES Special Called City Council Meeting January 30, 2019

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas met on January 30, 2019 with the following members present to wit:

Gary Gatlin	Mayor
Raymond Hopson	
Rashad Lewis	Council Member
Tommy Schofield	
Hazel Johnson	Council Member
Mitch McMillon	
Denise Kellev	City Manager / Finance Director
Karen Pumphrey	City Secretary

Mayor Gatlin called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. and Council Member Raymond Hopson gave the opening prayer. All city council members were present for the meeting.

Mayor Gatlin opened the floor to Mr. Greg Kelley, Public Works Director who announced bids received for the 2017 TDA CDBG Sewer Improvements Project No. 7217221. The lowest bid was received from Horton Excavating, LLC from Lufkin, TX in the amount of \$186,071.00 for the Base Bid, and \$201,751.00 with the Additive Alternate included. This compares to the construction budget allocated to this project of \$200,000. Motion by Council Member Mitch McMillon to approve the bids for the CDBG Community Grant for sewer improvements project No. 7217221. Second by Council Member Hazel Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Gatlin adjourned the meeting at 12:03 p.m.

Gary Gatlin, Mayor

ATTEST:

# MINUTES Regular Called City Council Meeting February 19, 2019

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas met on February 19, 2019 with the following members present to wit:

Gary Gatlin	Mayor
Raymond Hopson	Mayor Pro-Tem
Rashad Lewis	
Tommy Schofield	
Hazel Johnson	Council Member
Mitch McMillon	
Denise Kelley	City Manager / Finance Director
Karen Pumphrey	City Secretary

Mayor Gatlin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Council Member Tommy Schofield gave the opening prayer. All city council members were present for the meeting.

There were no questions or comments regarding Departmental Reports. There were no Public Comments.

Mayor Gatlin recognized employee Kimberly Fowler for catching an error in billing from ATT almost two years ago and she continually contacted ATT until they admitted their mistake and refunded the city a total \$52,647.84. City Council thanked Ms. Fowler for an outstanding job.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve the (2) sets of minutes from Regular Called City Council Meeting, January 22, 2019 and Special Called City Council Meeting, January 30, 2019. Second by Council Member Tommy Schofield. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Rashad Lewis to approve naming the downtown shopping area "Jasper Market District." Second by Council Member Hazel Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve the Jasper Police Department Annual Contact Report provided by Del Carmen Consulting, LLC. Second by Council Member Mitch McMillon. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve the appointment of Mrs. Jeanette Coffield to the Jasper Public Library Advisory Board. Second by Council Member Rashad Lewis. Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion by Council Member Mitch McMillon to appoint a committee consisting of employees' Greg Kelley, Karen Pumphrey, Denise Kelley, and Council Member Hazel Johnson to serve as a rating committee for the selection of an Engineering / Administration Firms for the DRS-4332 Hurricane Harvey Grant with the General Land Office. Second by Council Member Tommy Schofield. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Gatlin Tabled Agenda Item #6 - Consideration of Sandy Creek Park Expansion bid approval.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Mayor Gatlin stated Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 551 Section **551.074 Personnel Matters**; he and the council will convene in closed session to discuss the Annual Performance Review of City Manager Denise Kelley. Time being 6:19 p.m.

**RECONVENE** – Mayor Gatlin reconvened to open session at 6:46 p.m. and asked council for any actions from the Executive Session. Motion by Council Member Tommy Schofield to approve giving a salary **raise to Mrs.** Denise Kelley of 4 ½% for her City Manager position. Second by Council Member Mitch **McMillon**. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Gatlin adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

Gary Gatlin, City Mayor

ATTEST:

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#### MINUTES SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MARCH 7, 2019

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas met on March 7, 2019 with the following members present to wit:

Carry Catlin		Mayor Council Member
Gary Gaum	ald	Council Member
Tommy Scholl	eid	Council Member
Hazel Johnson		Council Member
Raymond Hop	son	Council Member
Mitch McMillo	n	
		City Secretary / Assistant Finance Director
Denise Kelley. Robbie Peek		City Secretary / Assistant Finance Director
Members Absent:	Rashad Lewis	

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gary Gatlin at 12:00 PM and opened with prayer by Council Member Raymond Hopson.

Mayor Gary Gatlin began the meeting with the first agenda item to consider accepting and approving Statement of Qualifications from McKinley-Golden Associates as the architectural firm for the Jasper United Building Project at 101 E. Houston St. Mayor Gatlin opened the floor to City Manager Denise Kelley. Mrs. Kelley explained that the Statements of Qualification for this project had been received and reviewed by the Building Committee for Jasper United, and it was their recommendation that Council approve McKinley-Golden Associates be accepted as the architectural firm for the building project at 101 E. Houston St. She went on to explain that once the architectural firm is approved and they have their drawings and plans in place, advertisements will be published for bids from general contractors. Those bids will be reviewed by the Building Committee at an appointed time and their recommendations for a general contractor will be brought back to Council for approval.

A motion was made by Council Member Hazel Johnson to accept McKinley-Golden Associates as the architectural firm for the Jasper United building project at 101 E. Houston St., Council Member Raymond Hopson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:04 PM.

ary Gatlin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Robbie Peek, City Secretary

# MINUTES Regular Called City Council Meeting March 18, 2019

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas met on March 18, 2019 with the following members present to wit:

Gary Gatlin	Mayor
Raymond Hopson	Mayor Pro-Tem (Absent)
Rashad Lewis	Council Member
Tommy Schofield	
Hazel Johnson	Council Member
Mitch McMillon	
Denise Kelley	
Karen Pumphrey	

Mayor Gatlin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Council Member Hazel Johnson gave the opening prayer. City Council Member Raymond Hopson was absent from the meeting however, all other city council members were present to wit.

There were no questions or comments regarding Departmental Reports however, Mayor Gatlin and the Council asked for an update regarding the park walking path and South Main Street.

There were no Public Comments.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve the Fiscal Year Audit Report ending September 30, 2018 as presented by Shelby Lackay and provided by Weaver and Tidwell, L.L.P. Second by Council Member Tommy Schofield. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve (2) sets of minutes from Regular Called City Council Meeting, February 19, 2019 and Special Called City Council Meeting, March 7, 2019. Second by Council Member Rashad Lewis. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Mitch McMillon to approve appointing election judges for the May 4, 2019 City Election as provided by Robbie Peek, Elections Administrator. Second by Council Member Rashad Lewis. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve Committee recommendations for Administration and Engineering applicants received for the GLO DR-4332 Hurricane Harvey Grant, those being: Engineering – LJA Engineering and Administration – David J. Waxman, Inc. Second by Council Member Mitch McMillon. Motion carried unanimously.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Mayor Gatlin announced Executive Session, Closed Meeting time being 6:25 p.m. pursuant to Chapter 551 Section 551.027 Deliberation Regarding possible acquisition of real property located at 711 West Houston Street.

RECONVENE – Mayor Gatlin reconvened into open session, time being 6:40 p.m. and asked council for any actions from the Executive Session.

Motion by Council Member Tommy Schofield to approve Resolution No. 2969 supporting the purchase of property located at 711 West Houston Street through a public tax sale auction up to it's appraised value, and authorizing Denise Kelley attend the tax resale auction for the City of Jasper on the court house steps May 7, 2019 and to approve sending Mr. Stephen Lee our tax collection attorney a letter asking that he act as the agent for the City of Jasper for the property being offered at the tax sale on May 7, 2019. Second by Council Member Hazel Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve Ordinance No. 3-18-19 Providing the addition or **delegation** of approval responsibility to the City Manager and or Chief Building Official for land plats. **Second by Council Member Tommy Schofield.** Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Gatlin adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

Gary Gatlin, Mayor

Attest:

## MINUTES Regular Called City Council Meeting April 15, 2019

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas met on April 15, 2019 with the following members present to wit:

Gary Gatlin	Mayor
Raymond Hopson	Mayor Pro-Tem
Rashad Lewis	Council Member
Tommy Schofield	Council Member
Hazel Johnson	Council Member
Mitch McMillon	Council Member (Absent)
Denise Kellev	City Manager / Finance Director
Karen Pumphrey	City Secretary

Mayor Gatlin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Council Member Hazel Johnson gave the opening prayer. City Council Member Mitch McMillon was absent from the meeting however, all other city council members were present to wit.

Presentation by Mayor Gatlin – Proclamation Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month, April 2019. Presentation by Council Member Hazel Johnson – Certificate of Appreciation to Mr. Brent Meaux for his outstanding and relentless efforts for enhancing the City of Jasper.

There were no questions or comments regarding Departmental Reports.

There were (4) Public Comments:

Laura Clark with the Texas Master Naturalists – Spoke in favor of the Sandy Creek Park Expansion Project.

Chris Lanier – Spoke in favor of the Sandy Creek Park Expansion Project.

Brent Meaux - Spoke in favor of the Sandy Creek Expansion Project.

Frank Slosher - Spoke regarding his issues with the city inspector.

Motion by Council Member Rashad Lewis to approve the (1) set of minutes from Regular City Council Meeting, March 18, 2019. Second by Council Member Hazel Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Pat Oats with Goodwin Lassiter Strong gave a presentation regarding agenda item #2 – Consider approval of Sandy Creek Park Expansion Project and contract award options. After presentation and questions, Motion was made by Council Member Hazel Johnson to accept and approve contract award option No. 1 from contractor Leland Bradlee Construction to construct all of the bid items \$ 2,761,609.00 (plan view attached as official record of minutes.) Second by Council Member Tommy Schofield.

Mayor Gatlin asked for a show of hands from those voting in *FAVOR* of the motion. Council Members Raymond Hopson, Hazel Johnson, and Tommy Schofield voted in favor. Mayor Gatlin asked for a show of hands from those voting *OPPOSED* to the motion. Council Member Rashad Lewis voted opposed. Mayor Gatlin stated we have a total vote of 3 to 1. The measure passes in favor of the motion.

Motion by Council Member Tommy Schofield to approve the following JEDCO Members as selected by council, Chris Lanier, LL Mathews, Jr., Denise Kelley, and Ann-Marie Limbrick. Second by Council Member Hazel Johnson. Council Member Rashad Lewis asked if this would be a conflict of interest for Mrs. Kelley. City Attorney Michael Ratcliff stated, "No it would not." Motion carried unanimously in favor of the members selected.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Gatlin adjourned the meeting at 6:56 p.m.

Gary Gatlin, Mayor

ATTEST:

## MINUTES Regular Called City Council Meeting May 13, 2019

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas met on May 13, 2019 with the following members present to wit:

Gary Gatlin	Mayor
Raymond Hopson	
Rashad Lewis	Council Member
Tommy Schofield	
Hazel Johnson	Council Member
Mitch McMillon	
Denise Kellev	City Manager / Finance Director
Karen Pumphrey	City Secretary

Mayor Gatlin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Council Member Raymond Hopson gave the opening prayer. All city council members were present to wit.

Mayor Gatlin canvased the City General Election of May 4, 2019 as follows:
City Mayor – Gary H. Gatlin 484 Votes and Rashad Lewis 376 Votes.
Council Member District # 1 – Anderson M. Land, Jr. (Unopposed) 149 Votes
Council Member District # 2 – Kristina Mathews 26 Votes
Duncan L. Foshee 135 Votes
Tommy Schofield 189 Votes

Judge Jackson administered the Oath of Office to the following: Mayor Gary H. Gatlin, Unopposed Council Member in District No. 1 Anderson M. Land, Jr and Council **Member** in District No. 2 Tommy Schofield.

Mayor Gatlin asked for questions regarding Departmental Reports. None were made.

Mayor Gatlin asked for Public Comments. The following were made:

1. Mr. Frank Schlosser – Congratulated the newly elected Mayor and Council Members.

Motion by Council Member Anderson Land to appoint Mrs. Hazel Johnson as the new Mayor Pro-Tem. Second by Council Member Tommy Schofield. Council Member Raymond Hopson abstained from voting due to being the current Mayor Pro-Tem. All other council members voted in favor of the motion.

Motion carried in favor of Council Member Hazel Johnson being the new Mayor Pro-Tem.

**Motion by** Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve the minutes from Regular Called City Council **Meeting, April 15, 2019.** Second by Council Member Tommy Schofield. Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve authorization to procure a grant administrator for the FHAST (Fair Housing Activity Statement – Texas) application for possible grant funds for Fire Truck and/or Fire Equipment and that she would be willing to be on the rating committee. Second by Council Member Tommy Schofield. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve Resolution No. 2970 adopting the updated Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Action Plan for the City of Jasper, Jasper County and Incorporated Cities. Second by Council Member Anderson Land Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Mitch McMillon to approve the amendment to the Tow Truck **Ordinance**, Section 25-135, Rules for extraordinary; large vehicles. Second by Council Member Anderson Land. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Tommy Schofield to approve charging a deposit of \$50.00 dollars for the use of city park pavilions. If left clean as they found them the deposit shall be returned to them. If they leave a mess behind, the city keeps the deposit. Also the city will need to add a dumpster at each pavilion location so people can have easy access to cleaning up. Second by Council Member Hazel Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Mitch McMillon to approve the proposed changes to the Administrative Policy – Electrical Material Costs for Underground Construction Services as provided to council. Second by Council Member Tommy Schofield. Motion carried unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Mayor Gatlin stated Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter **551 Section 551.074 Personnel Matters Annual Evaluation of Robert Jackson, City Judge. Time being 6:45 p.m.** 

RECONVENE – Mayor Gatlin reconvened into open session and the council for any actions from the Executive Session. Motion by Council Member Tommy Schofield to approve giving Judge Jackson a 3% pay raise. Second by Council Member Anderson Land. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Mitch McMillon to approve the provided Water Conservation Plan and the Drought Contingency Plan. Second by Council Member Hazel Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Gatlin adjourned the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

Gary Gatlin, Mayor

Attest:

### MINUTES Special Called City Council Meeting June 4, 2019

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas met on June 4, 2019 with the following members present to wit:

Gary Gatlin	Mayor Pro-Tem Council member
Anderson Land, Jr.	Council Member
Tommy Schofield	Council Member
Hazel Johnson	Council Member Mayor Pro-Tem
Mitch McMillon	Council Member (Absent)
Denise Kelley Karen Pumphrey	City Manager / Finance Director
Kalen Fumpiney	

Mayor Gatlin called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. and Council Member Raymond Hopson gave the opening prayer. Council Member Mitch McMillon was absent from the meeting. All other city council members were present to wit.

Motion by Council Member Tommy Schofield to approve employing David J Waxman, Inc. as the grant administrator for the Texas CDBG Block Grant Program for the FAST (Fire, Ambulance, and Services Truck) Fund. Second by Council Member Hazel Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve Resolution No. 2971 authorizing the submission of a Texas CDBG Block Grant program application to the Texas Dept. of Agriculture for the FAST (Fire, Ambulance, and Services Truck) Fund. Second by Anderson Land, Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Gatlin adjourned the meeting at 12:04 p.m.

Gary Gatlin, Mayor

Attest:

Regular City Council Meeting scheduled for Monday June 17, 2019 was cancelled due to lack of a quorum. The meeting was never rescheduled. All business carried over to the next Regular scheduled meeting, July 15, 2019.

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#### MINUTES Regular Called City Council Meeting July 15, 2019

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas met on July 15, 2019 with the following members present to wit:

Gary Gatlin	Mayor
Raymond Hopson	
Anderson Land, Jr	Council Member
Tommy Schofield	
Hazel Johnson	
Mitch McMillon	
Denise Kelley	City Manager / Finance Director
Karen Pumphrey	City Secretary

**Mayor** Gatlin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Council Member Anderson Land gave the opening prayer. All city council members were present to wit.

Mayor Gatlin asked for any questions regarding Departmental Reports. None were made. The following Public Comments were made:

- 1. Mr. Richard Clower Seeking letters of support from council members regarding JEDCO'S resolution of support for the I-14 Expansions and Improvements Act.
- 2. Mr. Chuck Roggio Current status with Provalus and being very happy settling in Jasper.

Motion by Council Member Tommy Schofield to approve the following minutes with corrections made to Raymond Hopson as Council Member and Hazel Johnson as Mayor Pro-Tem:

- Regular Called City Council Meeting, May 13, 2019
- Special Called City Council Meeting, June 4, 2019

Second by Council Member Raymond Hopson. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Mitch McMillon to approve to the city paying their half of the invoice from Gulf Coast Strategic Highway Coalition Annual Membership Dues 2019 of \$1,250.00. Second by Council Member Raymond Hopson. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Mitch McMillon to table item # 3 Consider upgrade of the power supply to the Jasper Rail Industrial Park located at 710 McQueen Street. Motion died due to a lack of a second. Motion by Council Member Mitch McMillon to alter his first motion and made a motion to approve advertising for bid proposals regarding the cost to extend the power line to upgrade the power supply to the Jasper Rail Industrial Park. Second by Hazel Johnson. Those voting in favor of the motion were Council Members Anderson Land, Tommy Schofield, Hazel Johnson and Mitch McMillon. Council Member Raymond Hopson voted opposed. Motion carried in favor of advertising for bids.

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City Council considered the request from Tom Bass with Terra Bio Chem requesting the Industrial Manufacturing Rate on an additional meter at the Terra Bio Chem plant. City Manager Denise Kelley stated this meter does not meet the criteria stated in the ordinance. Motion by Council Member Mitch McMillon to wave the additional meter and let them have the Industrial Manufacturing Rate. No second was made. Motion died due to lack of a second. Mayor Gatlin moved on to the next agenda item.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve the engagement letter from Weaver and Tidwell Auditors for 2018-2019. Second by Council Member Anderson Land. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Mitch McMillon to approve Ordinance No. 61719 Amending Chapter 6 Section 6-19 Updating Permit Fees. Second by Council Member Hazel Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve Resolution No. 2971 Supporting "Project Sponsor's" application to TX DOT 2019 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA) / Safe Routes To School-Infrastructure (SRTS) Call for Projects and Resolution No. 2972 Supporting "Project Sponsor's" application to TX DOT 2019 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA) / Safe Routes To School-Infrastructure (SRTS) Call for Projects Marvin Hancock Pedestrian Improvements. Second by Council Member Mitch McMillon. Motion carried unanimously.

City Council approved the Budget Workshop to be held on July 31st at 12:00 p.m. with lunch provided.

Motion by Hazel Johnson to approve Resolution No. 2973 authorizing the submission of the Hurricane Harvey application. Second by Council Member Anderson Land. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to go out for bids regarding the courthouse Square Paving Surface Improvements. Second by Council Member Anderson Land. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve Chief Hall's request to add an SRO position to payroll. Second by Council Member Mitch McMillon. Motion carried unanimously.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Mayor Gatlin stated he and council will enter into closed Executive Session **pursuant to Texas** Government Code Section 551.074 Personnel Matters in General and Consider Annual Performance Review for Police Chief Gerald Hall and Section 551.072 deliberation regarding Real **Property DETCOG** building. Time being 6:47 p.m.

**RECONVENE** – Mayor Gatlin reconvened the open meeting at 7:30 p.m. and asked for any motions from the Executive Session. Motion by Council Member Anderson Land to accept the request from DETCOG to terminate the agreement with them regarding the Jasper building they are occupying and to sign a joint termination agreement, and sign a new joint mutual agreement with both parties in exchange for the use of the building for as long as they continue to use the building until their new building is ready to move into located in Lufkin. They will continue paying the city \$8,000.00 a month while occupying the Jasper building. Second by Council Member Mitch McMillon. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Tommy Schofield to approve giving Chief Hall a 3% pay raise. Second by Council Member Hazel Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Gatlin adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Mayor, Gary Gatlin

Attest:

City Secretary, Karen Pumphrey

### MINUTES Special Called City Council Meeting and Council Budget Workshop July 31, 2019

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas met on July 31, 2019 with the following members present to wit:

Gary Gatlin	Mayor
Raymond Hopson	Council Member
Anderson Land, Jr	Council Member
Tommy Schofield	
Hazel Johnson	
Mitch McMillon	
Nenise Kellev	City Manager / Finance Director
Karen Pumphrey	
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Mayor Gatlin called the meeting/Budget Workshop to order at 12:00 p.m. and Council Member Raymond Hopson gave the opening prayer. All city council members were present to wit.

Mayor Gatlin recessed the meeting at 12:01 p.m. for the council luncheon and reopened the meeting at 12:19 p.m. to begin the Budget Workshop.

Mayor Gatlin opened the floor to City Manager Denise Kelley for a review over the proposed budget.

Ms. Kelley went over the Budget and Financial Plan for the Fiscal Year 2019/2020 and stated, "This is a balanced operating budget and stated now is the time to think about your interest in possibly raising the property tax rate. There will be no (3%) salary increases calculated for COLA. We made adjustments to employees that hold licenses for Water & Sewer, CDL, Lineman raised to current rates. Salaries raised for police officers per Gerald's request. All officers are paid a minimum of \$20.00 per hour. The new School Resource Officer has been included a \$20.00 per hour. There is no capital included in this budget as there are no funds available. The Police Department has requested more vehicles and body cameras and the Sanitation Department is in need of a new haul truck and dumpsters. We adjusted the DETCOG building rental revenue due to the possibility of them moving to Lufkin. Again, these are all good reasons to discuss raising the property tax rate. Mr. Stephen Lee is still gathering numbers and will meet with me soon so we will know our options regarding the tax rate."

#### Current Proposed Budget and Financial Plan for the Fiscal Year 2019/2020 – With no employee pay increase:

	REVENUE	<b>EXPENSES</b>	DEPRECIATION	NET
GENERAL FUND	\$ 7,086,053	\$ 7,082,732	\$	\$ 3,321
LIGHT & POWER	\$ 14,090,000	\$ 14,576,502	\$ 500,000	\$ 22,498
<b>WATER &amp; SEWER</b>	\$ 3,487,000	\$ 4,631,897	\$ 1,150,000	\$ 5,103
DEBT SERVICE	\$ 1,317,163	\$ 844,713	\$	\$ 472,450

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City Council asked questions and discussed items within the proposed budget. All council members approved of the budget as presented to them. Chief Hall stated he has employees upset over all the park expansions when they can't get better pay and better medical insurance and didn't know what to tell them. City Manager Denise Kelley explained the grant money received to repair the parks from Hurricane Harvey.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Gatlin adjourned the meeting and workshop at 2:00 p.m.

Gary Gatlin, Mayor

ATTEST:

#### MINUTES Regular Called City Council Meeting August 19, 2019

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas met on August 19, 2019 with the following members present to wit:

Gary Gatlin	Mayor
Raymond Hopson	Council Member
Anderson Land, Jr	Council Member
Tommy Schofield	Council Member
Hazel Johnson	
Mitch McMillon	
Denise Kellev	City Manager / Finance Director
Karen Pumphrey	City Secretary

Mayor Gatlin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Council Member Anderson Land gave the opening prayer. All council members were present to wit.

Mayor Gatlin opened the floor to Council Member Anderson Land who presented a Certificate of Recognition to the Dorie Miller Coleman family.

Mayor Gatlin asked for questions or comments regarding Council Information regarding S.R.M.P.A and city departmental reports. None were made.

Mayor Gatlin asked for Public Comments. The following were made:

- 1. Miss. Cindy Sedtal Bad flooding issue on Northwood Street in the horseshoe area causing lots of damage. Also the new gravel needs compressed down. It is very loose and rocks fly all over causing damage to her vehicle.
- 2. Miss Wanda Butterfield Page Same complaint as above regarding the flooding and damages it Causes affecting everyone in the same area.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve minutes from the Special Called City Council Meeting/Budget Workshop, July 31, 2019. Second by Council Member Mitch McMillon. Motion carried unanimously.

No motion was made regarding the Marvin McDonald property (old Circle of Peace) for an Amphitheater. City Council all stated No Thank you.

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Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve hiring a replacement for Mr. Danny Wade, Electrical Director for the city. Second by Council Member Anderson Land. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Tommy Schofield to approve Ordinance No. 8-19-19b updating and amending Chapter 20 solid Waste Materials. Second by Council Member Mitch McMillon. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Gatlin Tabled agenda item regarding abolishing ordinance for Industrial Manufacturing Rate pending more information.

Motion by Council Member Tommy Schofield to move forward on the process for both Zoning and Annexation. Second by Council Member Raymond Hopson. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Mitch McMillon to approve the city raising the property tax from .3182 to .3579. Second by Council Member Raymond Hopson. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Mitch McMillon to approve the request from Mr. Bob Gary, Wastewater Superintendent, requesting funds to replace the old existing main electrical feed gear that serves the wastewater treatment plant. Second by Council Member Anderson Land. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Tommy Schofield to TABLE the agenda item asking to consider the cost estimate received from Nowlin & Associates regarding the new feeder line to the Industrial Park and asked for a Council Workshop to take place regarding this. Second by Council Member Mitch McMillon. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Tommy Schofield to appoint Mr. Anderson Land to the DETCOG Board of Directors. Second by Council Member Mitch McMillon. Mr. Land accepted. Motion carried unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Mayor Gatlin announced the Executive Session at 6:40 p.m. Pursuant to Chapter 551 Section 551.072 Deliberation Regarding Real Property, Provalus Building; Closed Session.

**RECONVENE** – Mayor Gatlin Reconvened the Executive Session at 7:05 p.m. and stated there will be no actions taken at this time.

Motion by Council Member Hazel Johnson to approve the Minutes from Regular Called City Council Meeting, July 15, 2019. Second by Council Member Anderson Land. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Gatlin adjourned the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

Gary Gatlin Mayor

Attest:

#### **MINUTES**

#### Special Called Combined Jasper United Meeting Jasper City Council and JEDCO Board of Directors August 22, 2019

The City Council of the City of Jasper, Texas and the JEDCO Board of Directors of Jasper, Texas met on August 22, 2019 with the following City Council Members present to wit:

Gary Gatlin	Mayor
Raymond Hopson	Council Member
Anderson Land, Jr	Council Member
Tommy Schofield	
Hazel Johnson	Mayor Pro-Tem (Absent)
Mitch McMillon	Council Member
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Denise Kelley	City Manager / Finance Director
Karen Pumphrey	City Secretary

Mayor Gatlin and JEDCO Board President Mr. Dan Walker both called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. City Council Member Raymond Hopson gave the opening prayer. Council Member Hazel Johnson was absent from the meeting. However, all other council members were present to wit.

Mr. Dan Walker held an Executive Session at 12:14 p.m. pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.072 Deliberations regarding Real Property to consider/discuss the projected cost of the Provalus building and to consider/discuss approving the appointment of a general contractor for the Provalus building. Mr. Walker requested that the Mayor and City Council all attend the closed session along with City Manager Denise Kelley and Public Works Director Greg Kelley to participate in discussions. He reconvened the joint meeting back into open session at 12:55 p.m. Mr. Dan Walker entertained his board for any motions from the closed Executive Session. Motion by JEDCO Board Member Mr. Charles Warren to award Drury Construction as the contractor for the Provalus building and to approve JEDCO paying 30% of the building construction cost. Second by Mr. Randy Sayers. Motion carried unanimously.

After the combined meeting was adjourned and JEDCO adjourned their meeting, Mayor Gatlin, entertained a motion for his council to consider/approve Resolution No. 2974 for the submission of a Hurricane Harvey Buyout/Acquisition grant application to the Texas General Land Office. Motion by Council Member Mitch McMillon to approve Resolution No. 2974. Second by Council Member Tommy Schofield and joint second by Council Member Anderson Land. Motion carried unanimously.

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The second item on the Council Agenda was to discuss and consider approving a contractor for the Provalus building. The City's cost of the building construction alone would be 70% of \$ 2,954,238 which would be \$ 2,067,966.60. Motion by Council Member Tommy Schofield to Approve the City's amount of \$ 2,954,238.00 and to award the contract to Drury Construction. Second by Council Member Anderson Land. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, the Mayor adjourned the City's meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Gary Gatlin, Mayor

Attest: