

**JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**APRIL 6, 2020**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The April 6, 2020 regular meeting of the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Gary Shaw.

**INVOCATION** was read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** to the United States of America was led by Mayor Shaw.

**ROLL CALL**

Answering Roll Call via teleconference were Council Members: Taylor Brown, Melodee Colbert-Kean, Keenan Cortez, Doug Lawson, Anthony Monteleone, Diane Reid Adams, Ryan Stanley and Phil Stinnett. (Mayor Gary Shaw was at the dais). Also, in attendance were City Manager Nick Edwards and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Consent Agenda was finalized.

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS**

Terrian Williams withdrew her request to speak about a lockdown of Joplin.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Mrs. Colbert-Kean, second by Mr. Lawson to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Cortez, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, and Stinnett, 9.

Minutes of the March 16, 2020 City Council meeting

Minutes of the March 18, 2020 Special City Council meeting

**RESOLUTIONS**

**ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY**

**COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-124**

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2020 - 124 - an ordinance approving a construction agreement with Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc. in the not to exceed amount One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Two and 50/100 Dollars, (\$145,182.50) for the construction of the Jaguar Road Extension project; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 as adopted by Ordinance 2019-166 on October 21, 2019; and, containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Cortez that Council Bill No., 2020-124 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Cortez, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, and Stinnett, 9. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2020-042**

**ORDINANCES – SECOND READING AND THIRD READING****UNFINISHED BUSINESS****NEW BUSINESS**

Additional Requests to Address Council:

Christopher Rouse, 2006 E. Whitney Way, Joplin, addressed Council regarding the unconstitutionality of the Stay-at-Home Order and requested the Mayor and Council rescind it. City Attorney Peter Edwards responded that the Supreme Court has held that a city can take targeted action to protect compelling interests even when it limits constitutional rights and the City is on solid legal footing by having a Stay At Home Order.

Marcia Long, 1611 E. 50<sup>th</sup> St. Joplin, addressed Council regarding the construction of the roundabout and street widening at 44<sup>th</sup> and Connecticut. Her request stated the construction is causing serious water problems for the area south of 44<sup>th</sup> St. David Hertzberg, Public Works Director responded that the design engineering firm that's on contract is reviewing the design and looking at the private property owner's runoff. The consultant will verify that when the construction is completed the project will not discharge any additional water.

Updates from Dan Pekarek, Health Director:

- Reminder, please continue washing hands for at least 20 seconds often throughout the day. This is the single most important thing you can do to try to avoid the virus. Avoid touching your face and eyes. Dispose of used tissues; practice safe distancing; limit trips out of home/residence to limit exposure. Stay home if you have symptoms: 100.4 temp; dry cough; shortness of breath. Contact your medical provider if symptoms worsen. Check on neighbors or others who are unable to perform essential tasks.
- Second case of COVID-19 was reported in the city. Increasing cases in the county health dept. One person in isolation; one person in quarantine.
- In case our local hospitals are overrun with critical care patients affected by COVID-19, the governor has selected the Leggett and Platt Center as a possible alternate care facility for patients who don't need a high level of care.
- The Freeman/Mercy Call Center information line is 327-6444

News from the Public Information Officer, Lynn Onstot

- Reminder that the April 7, 2020 municipal election has been postponed until June 2, 2020.
- Republic Services will continue residential waste collection with the following modifications: All trash must be bagged and placed in a Republic cart
- The transfer station will be closing tomorrow (April 7, 2020).

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Respectfully,

  
Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk