

CITY COUNCIL

NOVEMBER 18, 2024

The Jesup City Council met in a regular council meeting on Monday, November 18, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Jesup City Hall, 791 6th Street, Jesup, Iowa. Public access to the meeting was accessible through YOUTUBE from a computer, tablet, smartphone, or telephone.

Mayor Chris Even called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members were present: Denny Bell, Chad Kohagen, Andrew Hamilton, Craig Wright, and Todd Rohlfesen.

Absent: None.

Motion by Bell, seconded by Wright, to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5:0.

Motion by Bell, seconded by Kohagen, to approve and adopt the following items on the consent agenda. 1. Approve the minutes of November 4, 2024, regular council meeting. 2. Approve the City Clerk reports. 3. Approve the claims and give directions to pay. 4. Approve the liquor license application – Dollar General Corporation. Roll Call: Ayes: Bell, Kohagen, Hamilton, Wright, Rohlfesen. Nays: None. Motion carried 5:0.

CLAIMS PRESENTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR NOVEMBER 18, 2024

WARRANTS WRITTEN SINCE THE NOVEMBER 4, 2024, MEETING:

Jesup Postmaster	November Water Bills	318.86
Accounts Payable	Payroll ACH - 11-15-24	21,605.50
Farmers State Bank	Payroll Taxes - Federal, Medicare, Social Security	6,878.66
AFLAC	Employee Paid Insurance	170.74
Wellmark	City and employees share health insurance	11,067.41
Employee Benefit Systems	Claims processing/self-funding	128.68

CLAIMS PRESENTED FOR NOVEMBER 18, 2024:

AMAZON	MEDICAL SUPPLIES - AMB	37.98
ARCTIC SEAL	ROOF WELL #2 - WA	1,725.00
BLACK HAWK WASTE	OCTOBER CARDBOARD/RECYCLING	1,233.20
BMC	SOUTH STREET SHOULDER - ST	1,802.97
BOUND TREE	MEDICAL SUPPLIES - AMB	364.44
CITY LAUNDERING COMPANY	MATS, MOP, UNIFORMS -ALL	493.81
CONSOLIDATED ENERGY	OIL – PD	78.78
DISPLAY SALES	GARLAND - PK	86.50
DON'S TRUCK SALES	SWITCH/ROD - ST	71.19
GALLS	SPIKE SYSTEM - PD	353.99
HOME DEPOT	CLEANING SUPPLIES - WW	27.66
ICC	MEMBERSHIP DUES - BLDG	170.00
INDEPENDENCE AUTO PARTS	DEF - ST	18.96
IOWA DEPT PUBLIC SAFETY	MACH 2024 4TH QTR - PD	580.50
IOWA RURAL WATER ASSOC	2025 COMM DUES MEMBERSHIP - WA	405.00
JESUP COMMUNITY SCHOOL	FY25 QTR 1 COMM REC PROGRAM	2,500.00
KWIK TRIP	ICE - WA	4.84
MCCLURE ENGINEERING	ENGINEERING - SRF, WWTP	12,695.80
MENARDS	WEATHER STATION/CASTER - WW	314.77
MICROBAC LABORATORIES	DRINKING/WW ANALYSIS - WA, WW	3,468.00
MIDAMERICAN	GAS/ELECTRIC - ALL	6,891.48
OELWEIN PUBLISHING	PUBLIC NOTICE HEARING	261.96
ROBERTS, STEVENS PRENDERGAST	LEGAL - AMB, CH	1,500.00
THOMAS JAMES	GARBAGE - ALL	44.00
US CELLULAR	CELLPHONE - AMB, BLDG, FD, WA, WW	285.99

UTILITY EQUIPMENT	WRENCH - WW	54.90
VERIZON WIRELESS	MOBILE BROADBAND - PD	126.51
ZOLL	MEDICAL SUPPLIES - AMB	129.59
TOTAL		35,727.82

PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Bell, seconded by Rohlfesen, to open the public hearing regarding a request to amend the zoning map by rezoning property from “R-1”, Single Family Residential District to “R-2”, Low Density Residential District for West Jesup Development LLC. Motion carried 5:0. The Clerk reported that no oral or written objections had been filed. Mayor Even opened the floor for any objections. Hearing none, the Mayor requested a motion to close the public hearing. Motion by Rohlfesen, seconded by Wright, to close the public hearing. Motion carried 5:0.

Motion by Rohlfesen, seconded by Wright, to approve the first reading of an ordinance as follows: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 165A Zoning: General Regulations. Roll Call: Ayes: Bell, Wright, Kohagen, Rohlfesen, Hamilton. Nays: None. Motion carried 5:0.

Motion by Rohlfesen, seconded by Kohagen, to approve waiving the second and third reading of an ordinance as follows: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 165A Zoning: General Regulations. Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Rohlfesen, Bell, Wright, Kohagen. Nays: None. Motion carried 5:0.

Motion by Bell, seconded by Kohagen, to adopt an ordinance as follows: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 165A Zoning: General Regulations. Roll Call: Ayes: Kohagen, Wright, Bell, Hamilton, Rohlfesen. Nays: None. Motion carried 5:0.

CITIZEN INPUT

None

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Motion by Hamilton, seconded by Kohagen, to accept the departmental reports. Motion carried 5:0.

NEW BUSINESS

Lisa Kremer, Buchanan County Economic Development Commission, updated the council on an application for LEAD Buchanan Academy, a new community leadership program. Kremer would like the city to share this throughout the community and help identify a potential participant for the program.

Kevin Fittro, Panther Builders, updated council on the West Jesup Development project.

Motion by Kohagen, seconded by Wright, to accept the resignation of Water Superintendent Brock Flaharty. Roll Call: Ayes: Wright, Bell, Hamilton, Kohagen, Rohlfesen. Nays: None. Motion carried 5:0.

Motion by Bell, seconded by Hamilton, to accept the resignation of Street Superintendent James Masteller. Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Kohagen, Rohlfesen, Bell, Wright. Nays: None. Motion carried 5:0.

Mayor Even spoke regarding the Appendixes within the union contract for wages. The Mayor would like to amend the union contract now to include a 3% wage increase for union members and then a 4% wage increase for fiscal year 2025-2026. This will need to be approved by the union prior to the city approving the wage increases. The council would like to see wage comparisons of similar cities. Motion by Rohlfesen, seconded by Wright, to table amending the wage appendixes within the union contract until a wage comparison can be completed. Motion carried 5:0.

Motion by Rohlfesen, seconded by Bell, to approve **Resolution No. 2025-30** RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT #27 FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS 2020 PROJECT. Roll Call: Ayes: Rohlfesen, Wright, Kohagen, Hamilton, Bell. Nays: None. Motion carried 5:0.

Mayor Even spoke regarding the job description for the ambulance chief. The current job description states that the ambulance chief must reside within City limits, with a footnote that says the chief shall be permitted to maintain her current residence outside the city limits until December 31, 2024. Dan Walter and Adam Franzen spoke on behalf of the ambulance department that the chief position is not about response time but leadership quality. Motion by

Hamilton, seconded by Wright, to approve revising the job description at the December 2, 2024, council meeting of the ambulance chief to include a requirement to reside within a five-mile radius of the Emergency Services Facility. Motion carried 4:1.

ADJOURN

Motion by Kohagen, seconded by Hamilton, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5:0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Megan Cross
Deputy Clerk

REVENUES AND EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

	REVENUES	EXPENSES
GENERAL	479,967.97	95,600.90
ROAD USE TAX	28,093.05	39,433.00
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT	103,596.70	16,373.22
LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	33,455.28	.00
TAX INCREMENT FINANCING	34,200.77	.00
DEBT SERVICE	161,566.84	.00
WASTEWATER TREATMENT	6,926.30	6,926.30
SRF SPONSORED PROJECT	455,320.70	244,019.80
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT	.00	511.76
SPLASH PAD	.00	2,519.35
VETERANS PARK	6,561.00	3,100.00
PROSPECT & HOPKINS STREET	.00	16,000.00
WATER	48,709.72	28,066.22
SEWER	67,685.97	40,606.34
WATER DEPOSITS/SALES TAX	2,517.71	2,680.96
TOTAL	1,428,602.01	495,837.85