

Brookland City Council Minutes
August 10, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Jones.

Roll Call: Council present: Jason Cooper, Martin Crain, Wilson Shipman, Mike Bishop, Lacey Elder, David Gambill, Mayor Kenneth Jones, Attorney Kevin Orr, and City Clerk Billy Dacus.

Mike Bishop made a motion to approve July 13, 2020 Brookland City Council minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Lacey Elder. Mayor Jones stated motion and second and then opened the motion to the council for discussion. Being no discussion, Mayor Jones called for a vote. Mayor Jones announced the motion to accept the city council minutes from July 13, 2020 passed 6 Yays to 0 Nays.

New Business

Present Policy Manual for Brookland Police Department to council to review; vote on in September meeting:

Chief Jon Moore and Captain Janssen Settlemoir passed out copies of the new Policy Manual for the Brookland Police Department to the council. The officers have been updating this policy and want the council to review it and give their feedback at next month's meeting.

Old Business

Ordinance 2020-07 - Rezone property at 34 Crain Rd from A-1 to C-2 - First Reading:

Mike Bishop made a motion to suspend the rules and read the second reading of Ordinance 2020-07 by title only. Lacey Elder seconded the motion. Mayor Jones stated motion and second, then opened the motion to suspend the rules to council for discussion. Being none, Mayor Jones called for a vote. Mayor Jones announced the motion to suspend the rules and read the second reading of Ordinance 2020-07 by title only passed 6 Yays to 0 Nays.

Kevin Orr read Ordinance 2020-07 by title only. This is the second reading of this ordinance (8/10/2020). The first reading of the ordinance was done in the August meeting (7/13/2020).

Previous Month's Financials:

Mayor Jones reviewed both July's Financial Checking Account Reports. The following are 7-31-2020 ending balances for the main operating checking accounts:

1. General Fund ending balance was \$206,039.05
2. Street Fund ending balance was \$222,637.29
3. Utility Fund ending balance was \$318,773.32

Mayor's Notes:

Discuss Gatlin Crossing:

Mayor Jones noted to the council that the process has been started for a petition annexation for Gatlin Crossing. The request was started in April but has been slow due to the virus and other issues in the county office. The Mayor said there would be a public hearing in the County Judge's office on August 26.

Summer Municipal League Convention:

Mayor Jones announced that the convention starts online Wednesday (8/12/2020) @ 1:30. Pre-registration is required.

Groundbreaking Ceremony:

Mayor Jones reminded the council the groundbreaking ceremony for the new First Community Bank will be Wednesday (8/12/2020) @ 9:00.

American Made General Store:

Mayor Jones announced that the new American Made General Store on Hwy. 49 will open Saturday morning.

Mayor Jones ask if there is anything from the council?

Martin Crain asked for an update on the status of the rezoning request of 404 W. Matthews that was discussed in last month's meeting. Mayor Jones and Attorney Orr both stated that the issue must go back to the Planning Commission for a restart of the process which is where it is now.

Mayor Jones ask if there is anything from the floor?

There was none.

Wilson Shipman made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Jason Cooper. Mayor Jones stated motion and second, then called for a vote. Mayor Jones announced the motion to adjourn passed 6 Yays to 0 Nays. The meeting was adjourned at 7:13pm by Mayor Jones.

Kenneth Jones, Mayor

Billy Dacus, City Clerk/Treasurer