



COUNCIL MEETING
117 E. BROADWAY STREET, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2021 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hanna

The invocation was given by Council Member Wells

The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the flag

Council present: Mayor Johnny Hanna, Frankie Poston, Doolittle Stone, Gary Arthurs, Jamie Altman, Scott Wells, Marie Haselden and council elect Dipen Khambhaita

City personnel present: Nickolas Ammons, Marlene Rollins, Ron Douglas, Kem Poston, Jacob Howard, Denny Feagin, Stephen Knight

Guest present: Shannon Tippet, Claude Graham, April Collins, Courtney Roberts, Maia Khambhaita, Jai Khambhaita, Jared McDonald, Wesley Beckwith, Renee E. Harrell, Jackie Stasney, Rupal Khambhaita, Deeya Khambhaita, Robin Altman, Erin Altman, Carolyn Palumbo, Dennis Altman, Mallory Feagin, Tamala Owens, Macy Feagin, Brad Welch, Tony Hucks, Don Strickland, Sammy Jones, Spud Chandler, and Henry Humphries

Motion was made by Council Member Arthurs and received a second by Council Member Haselden to approve the agenda. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Council Member Poston and received a second by Council Member Stone to approve the minutes from the November 2, 2021 Council Meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Council Member Wells asked the mayor to speak and at this time Council member Wells read his letter of resignation from council effective immediately.

Judge Kirven swore in newly elected Council Member Dipen Khambhaita and re-elected Council Members Jamie Altman and Doolittle Stone. Council member Haselden gave her seat to council member Khabhaita, and the meeting resumed.

Mayor Hanna presented The CHIC with the Christmas Star award, receiving the award for the CHIC was Ms. Carolyn Columbo.

City Administrator Nick Ammons stated the Police Department purchased new state of the art tag readers and computer system for their vehicles with the funds received during the Police Fund raiser held in October.

Don Strickland with PDRTA stated the bus routes are in effect, they do have a shortage of bus inventory, but there are new 2022 buses coming in and they are dedicated to Johnsonville. We are hoping to implement park and rides to the beach area, bus stops have been selected in Johnsonville they are located at City Hall, KJ's, Housing Authority, and several other places throughout town. We are hoping to increase awareness, help spread the word.

Motion was made by Council Member Stone and received a second by Council Member Arthurs to give second reading of an ordinance to adopt a revised business license ordinance in accordance with the business license standardization act. (2020 ACT No.176). **Motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION was made by Council Member Poston and received a second by Council Member Arthurs to enter into executive session to discuss a contractual and personnel matter. **Motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION was made by Council Member Altman and received a second by Council Member Poston to enter back into open session. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Action taken form executive session:

MOTION was made by Council Member Arthurs and received a second by Council Member Altman to enter into a contract with Down to Earth Management Company acting as management for the Municipal Golf Course. **Motion carried unanimously.**

No action was taken for personnel discussion.

Administrator reported:

Water Department

- One new water tap this month
- Continuing to advertise for Water Operator vacancy
- We have received the complete Emergency Response Plan from our engineers
- Repaired 2 routine leaks
- CC Drive/Persimmon Ford Rd. Fire Hydrant Valve

Wastewater

- Repaired 2 lift stations including replacement of flapper valves and belts
- Performed cleaning and maintenance on belt press building
- Performed preventative maintenance on heaters for plant equipment in preparation for winter weather
- Updated permits required to perform hauling and disposing of sludge

Streets & Sanitation

- Division performed testing and repairs to all Christmas lights prior to hanging
- All divisions of public works got the Christmas lights and decorations out for display
- Bushes were trimmed and maintained at Venters landing and all entrance signs
- We are currently advertising for one opening of Equipment Operator

Police

- Officers issued 60 traffic citations for violations
- JPD presented 14 cases to the Grand Jury last month
- Office hours at the police department will be changing January 1 to Monday-Friday 9am-5pm. This will be the same business hours as City Hall. This will not limit or hinder 24/7 police patrol coverage

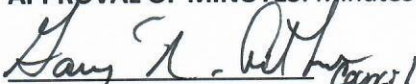
Administration


- Annual Audit will be presented at January Meeting
- Annexation is a continued focus: I hope to have a few parcels ready for annexation in the next few months
- Transfer Station Project, no change; spoke with Rusty Smith this afternoon, and the county is continuing to search for another site.
- Electrical Switch Gear Project, I am now beginning the process of terminating the contract with the vendor whom was awarded the contract in 2019. The contractor has continuously avoided contact and refuses all means of communication over the last 60 days.

Motion was made by Council Member Altman and received a second by Council Member Arthurs to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried unanimously**

ADJOURNMENT: 8:15pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes approved by City Council on this 11th day of January, 2022.


Johnny Hanna, Mayor

Attest: 
Marlene Rollins, City Clerk

