

# City of Jacinto City

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August 28, 2024

## **Minutes**

The Mayor and City Council met in Regular Session on Thursday, August 22, 2024 at 6:00p.m. in the Council Chamber at 10301 Market Street.

1. CALL TO ORDER

# 2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was opened with Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 3. ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Mayor Diaz; Council Members Rivas, Robinson, Lee, Garcia & Gonzales;

City Manager Squyres & City Secretary Rodriguez.

City Attorney Defoyd was absent.

# 4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

A motion was made by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Lee to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Vote: **For: 5 Against:0** 

# 5. REPORTS OF OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND COMMITTEES

# Mayor: Ana Diaz

\* No report, however, was actively engaged through entire meeting.

## City Manager: Lon Squyres

\* Expanded on Thomas's statement regarding New Clippings: The Federal Government regulates what we can pick up, we are only allowed to pick up debris directly related to the storm. They could take our funding away if we deviate from their regulations. They are funding three quarters of the cost of everything we're doing.

# **Public Works: Thomas Rogers**

- \* Keeping up with the grass.
- \* We are almost complete with our 3<sup>rd</sup> & Final pass for debris.
- \* There's a handful of locations that are placing new cuttings & items such as furniture and mattresses. We are taking pictures and giving notices to those addresses that they are responsible for that collection. We are looking at being done by Tuesday and beginning the chipping process at public works.

# Police: Chief Joe Ayala

- \* We have been busy fighting crime, picking up shop lifters.
- \* We had a terrible incident happen at Market street at the apartments, where one vehicle struck three other vehicles. There was a death as a result.
- \* There was a chase with shooting involved by the Wells Fargo, we worked the shooting part, other than that no one hurt.
- \* It's been hot days; we've been looking at health conditions violations.
- \* Working on Preparing for National Night Out.

# City Hall: Kathy Greiner

\* Occupied with payroll and paying bills.

#### Fire: Interim Chief Mo Davis

- \* We've had a lot of Heat Related Injuries in the last few days, a few elderly people, some dehydrations. We've taken care of that pretty well. We're also finding that people are starting to secure themselves in certain parts of the house, we're watching that a little bit closer when we go, make sure the elderly is ok.
- \* Our TIFMAS appointment got postponed because they were deployed to wildfires in other parts of the state, we should return to regular scheduled meetings about a week after they've come back & rested.
- \* We had some mechanical issues with our ambulance, but they are both at 100% running now.

# Heritage Hall: Elizabeth Flores

- \* Keeping Seniors active. Saturday we'll be taking the seniors to the casino.
- \* We have an increase in new attendees from Grayson Senior Center close to Freeport St. due to FEMA taking over their area so they're coming to our center.

### Parks & Recreation: Ivan Rojas

- \* We're taking care of the grass despite the heat.
- \* The pool will be open for 2 more weekends including Labor Day; the Splashpad remains open year-round.
- \* We're also getting ready for Fall Festival in October.

## 6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- \* Donna Dailey, 1701 Chazen
  - Inquired about the city waiving Generator & Electrical for generator fees for seniors. The City Manager gave a brief explanation of the permit process and generalized fees. A brief discussion was held where thoughts & concerns were mentioned. The Mayor stated that we will place on agenda for next council meeting for discussion.
- \* Robert Hernandez, 10721 Lane
  - -Had questions regarding Property Tax Rate. City Manager Squyres gave a brief recap of the information.
- \* Ro Jordan, Business Owner of Ro's Belly Busting Barn, 10309 Market.

  -Introduced her business to the Mayor and Council and expressed appreciation for the warm welcome her business and herself have received.

# 7. NO UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

1. Council to Open and Award Sealed Bids on 2024 Asphalt Overlay Project.

City Manager Squyres opened and read Bid Proposal. (Proposal to follow/attached)

Motion made by: Council Member Gonzales to postpone.

Second was made by: Council Member Garcia

Favor: 5/0

## 9. COUNCIL COMMENTS

All Council Members advised everyone to stay hydrated, as cool as possible and to check on the elderly.

Mayor Diaz adjourned the meeting at 6:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Rodriguez
Christal Rodriguez
City Secretary