

**JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL
MARY GORDON ELLIS EXECUTIVE BUILDING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JUNE 28, 2007
2:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

DR. GEORGE M. HOOD, CHAIRMAN
GLADYS JONES, VICE CHAIRMAN
LEROY BLACKSHEAR, COUNCILMAN
FRED TUTEN, COUNCILMAN
HUBERT TYLER, COUNCILMAN

STAFF PRESENT:

ANDREW FULGHUM, ADMINISTRATOR
RONNIE MALPHRUS, DEP. ADM. ADM. SER.
STEVE SAGER, DEP. ADM. DEV. SER.
JUDITH M. FRANK, CLERK TO COUNCIL

STAFF ABSENT:

MARVIN JONES, ATTORNEY

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT THE ELECTRONIC AND PRINT MEDIA WERE NOTIFIED.

DURING PERIODS OF DISCUSSION AND/OR PRESENTATIONS THE MINUTES ARE TYPICALLY CONDENSED AND PARAPHRASED.

CALL TO ORDER:

CHAIRMAN HOOD CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 10:00 A.M.
CHAIRMAN HOOD THANKED THE PUBLIC FOR THEIR PRAYERS AND LETTERS DURING HIS WIFE'S ILLNESS.

INVOCATION:

COUNCILMAN TUTEN GAVE THE INVOCATION.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

CHAIRMAN HOOD LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

COUNCILMAN TUTEN MOTIONED AND COUNCILMAN TYLER SECONDED THE MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS EMPLOYMENT MATTERS AND CONTRACTUAL MATTERS. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION:

CHAIRMAN HOOD SAID THAT THE COUNCIL RECEIVED INFORMATION RELATED TO AN EMPLOYMENT MATTER. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.
COUNCILMAN TUTEN MOTIONED AND COUNCILMAN BLACKSHEAR SECONDED THE MOTION TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY THAT WAS DISCUSSED FOR \$115,000.00 AND TO LEASE THE PROPERTY BACK TO THE OWNER FOR 10 YEARS. VICE CHAIRMAN JONES SAID SHE FELT A FIVE YEAR LEASE WITH FREE RENT SHOULD BE AMPLE. COUNCILMAN TUTEN SAID HE DID NOT LIKE TO GIVE THE 10 YEARS EITHER, BUT THAT WAS THE OPTION THEY WERE GIVEN. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH CHAIRMAN HOOD, AND COUNCILMEN TUTEN, TYLER AND BLACKSHEAR VOTING FOR; VICE CHAIRMAN JONES VOTED AGAINST BECAUSE OF THE 10 YEARS OF FREE RENT, BUT SHE WAS NOT AGAINST PURCHASING THE PROPERTY.
MR. FULGHUM ASKED TO BE ALLOWED TO PROCEED WITH A COMMITMENT LETTER.

ADJOURN:

VICE CHAIRMAN JONES MOTIONED AND COUNCILMAN TYLER SECONDED THE MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.
THE MEETING ENDED AT 2:25 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED By:

JUDITH M. FRANK, CCC
CLERK TO COUNCIL

DR. GEORGE M. HOOD
CHAIRMAN

