



City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Public Safety Council Committee

Tuesday, May 19, 2015

5:00 PM

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1. Call To Order

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2. Roll Call by City Clerk Donna Jackson

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Mayor Perrin was also in attendance.

Present 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson and Todd Burton

3. Approval of minutes

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MIN-15:043

Minutes for the Public Safety Committee meeting on April 21, 2015

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Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Gene Vance, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Chris Moore and Todd Burton

4. New Business

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Ordinances To Be Introduced

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ORD-15:028

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2012 INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE TO THE JONESBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES WITH RESPECT TO MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING IN THE CITY OF JONESBORO

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Attachments: [Mayor's Statement from June 16, 2015](#)
[Letters of Opposition](#)
[Email of Support](#)

Chairman Johnson added they need some clarity on the code. Councilman Moore stated with a public hearing citizens will be able to review the code and ask questions. He noted they may need to hold the public hearing at 6 p.m. in order to accommodate people who work during the day. Councilman Vance explained the code is for three units and above, but he would like to see the committee come back and look at all residential then look at commercial and industrial. He further explained the city needs something to help maintain the integrity of the buildings.

Mayor Perrin stated he has mentioned recently possibly pulling the code from tonight's agenda due to confusion. The code is only for three doors or more, but there are also a lot of problems with rental homes because the homeowners are not keeping up the property. As long as a public hearing can be held and a committee be appointed, the city shouldn't drag out looking at other areas. He noted the problem in Jonesboro isn't necessarily residential homes that are owner-occupied; rather, its homes that are rented out and aren't properly maintained. He stated the city needs code to take care of problems like that.

Councilman Moore noted that at the neighborhood meetings held earlier this year throughout the city the number one issue mentioned by citizens was code enforcement. Mayor Perrin agreed.

Councilman Burton stated this code was a recommendation from the Multi-family Housing Moratorium Committee, which is why it deals with multi-family and not residential. He explained the committee wasn't charged with looking at residential, commercial or anything else. The committee was asked to look specifically at multi-family.

Councilman Moore motioned, seconded by Councilman Gibson, to recommend the ordinance to the full Council with the following provisions: that the ordinance be held to three consecutive readings and that the Mayor hold a public hearing on an off-Tuesday during that timeframe so the public can come in and discuss the code and ask questions. He also stated the Mayor should form a committee to review any other recommendations that may be warranted. The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Chris Moore and Todd Burton

Resolutions To Be Introduced

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RES-15:075

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS to condemn property at 410 Ridgecrest Owner: Cleo Black (Deceased) Hiers Cindy (Black) Jones & Rick Black

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- Attachments:** [County Data 410 Ridgecrest Cir](#)
[Inspection Report 410](#)
[Case File](#)
[100 4486](#)
[100 4487](#)
[100 4488](#)
[100 4489](#)
[100 4490](#)
[100 4491](#)

Code Enforcement Officer Ronnie Shaver explained they have been working on condemning this property for a while. The property has been in bad shape for a long time. A permit had been purchased to fix the property, but no work was ever done so the city would like to move forward with the condemnation.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Chris Moore and Todd Burton

RES-15:084

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS to condemn property at 4004 E Highland Dr, Owner: Kevin K. Kissee

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Sponsors: Code Enforcement

- Attachments:** [County Data 4004](#)
[Inspection Report](#)
[Case File](#)
[100 4980](#)
[100 4981](#)
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Mr. Shaver explained the owner wouldn't sign for delivery of the notice to condemn, but they were able to find him and signed for the notice. He had the opportunity to purchase permits to make improvements, but hasn't done so.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Chris Moore and Todd Burton

5. Pending Items

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6. Other Business

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Councilman Gibson stated he was approached by several residents in Sage Meadows due to signs placed at the intersection of Clubhouse and Villa. Residents want to put a four-way at that intersection and are willing to absorb some of the expense. Police Chief Rick Elliott explained they spoke to someone with the Homeowner's Association about putting out signage that dealt with golf cart issues. He has not spoken to anyone at Sage Meadows about additional signage. He added if they will touch base with Captain Scott Roper he would be able to assist them with changes they would like to be made.

7. Public Comments

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8. Adjournment

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A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this meeting be Adjourned . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Chris Moore and Todd Burton