



City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Council Agenda - Final Public Safety Council Committee

Tuesday, September 15, 2009

5:15 PM

Huntington Building

1. Call To Order

2. Approval of minutes

[MIN-09:077](#) Minutes for the Public Safety Committee meeting on July 21, 2009.

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

3. New Business

Resolutions To Be Introduced

[RES-09:131](#) A RESOLUTION TO CONDEMN PROPERTY AT 811 E. WASHINGTON, GEORGE MCCULLOUGH, OWNER.

Sponsors: Code Enforcement

Attachments: [CONDEMNATION CHECKLIST.doc](#)

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4. Pending Items

Vector Disease Control

mosquito report

5. Other Business

6. Public Comments

7. Adjournment



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Minutes for the Public Safety Committee meeting on July 21, 2009.



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Meeting Minutes Public Safety Council Committee

Tuesday, July 21, 2009

5:15 PM

Huntington Building

1. Call To Order

Mayor Perrin was also in attendance.

Present 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Chris Moore and Mikel Fears

Absent 1 - Mitch Johnson

2. Approval of minutes

MIN-09:064 Minutes for the Public Safety Committee meeting on June 16, 2009.

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman Mikel Fears, that this Minutes be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 3 - Gene Vance;Chris Gibson and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - Mitch Johnson

3. New Business

Resolutions To Be Introduced

RES-09:103 A RESOLUTION TO Condemn property at 726 W Huntington

Sponsors: Code Enforcement

Attachments: [726 W Huntington Ave Building Inspection Report.doc](#)

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A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman Mikel Fears, that this matter be Recommended Under New Business . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 3 - Gene Vance;Chris Gibson and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - Mitch Johnson

RES-09:112 A RESOLUTION TO Condemn property at 1021 Hope St

Sponsors: Code Enforcement

Attachments: [CONDEMNATION CHECKLIST.doc](#)
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A motion was made by Councilman Gene Vance, seconded by Councilman Mikel Fears, that this matter be Recommended Under New Business . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 3 - Gene Vance;Chris Gibson and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - Mitch Johnson

4. Pending Items

COM-09:089 Vector Disease Control mosquito report for June, 2009.

Attachments: [Vector Mosquito Control June 2009 report](#)

Mr. Jim Stark explained an aerial flight was scheduled for tonight, but due to the weather the flight has been rescheduled for either Wednesday or Thursday night. He noted the ground crews are spraying six nights a week throughout the City. He thanked the Council for their patience with the mosquito problem.

Mr. Stark stated due to the recent rain the City should have another hatch of mosquitoes within the next seven days. He noted they sprayed an average of 3 ½ nights a week in June.

This item was Read.

5. Other Business

COM-09:076 Proposal for collection of delinquent warrants

Sponsors: Police Department

Attachments: [Bid 2009-20 RFP Collection Agency Tabulation \(3\)](#)
[Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson](#)
[MSB Government Services](#)
[American Municipal Services](#)
[Information about Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson](#)
[publicsafetycollectionoffineslinebargergoggan \(2\)](#)

Police Chief Michael Yates explained he presented four RFPs for the collection of delinquent warrants at the June 16 Public Safety meeting. He added he would like direction from the Public Safety Committee on which company to choose and then he would present the resolution at the next meeting.

Attorney Scott McGlasson with Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson Law Firm explained the law firm has 45 offices located in 14 states. He added the law firm is dedicated exclusively to the collection of government entity receivables, most particularly court receivables that includes warrants.

Chairman Moore asked if the law firm provides service to other government entities. Mr. McGlasson stated the law firm provides service to approximately 2,000 government entities nationwide.

Chairman Moore asked what the law firm's collection rate is nationwide. Mr. McGlasson explained it is difficult to say on average because each jurisdiction has different laws. He noted the City could expect a collection rate in the range of 17.3% to 40.2%.

Chairman Moore asked what they believe the estimated delinquent fine amount to be. Chief Yates answered it depends on the time frame, but it could be up to \$7 million. Mayor Perrin explained the County Judge's Office estimated the delinquent fine amount could be approximately \$7.6 million.

Chairman Moore asked if the City had any contact with the other companies. Captain Scott Roper explained he checked the references for three of the companies, but Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson was the only company who contacted them.

Councilman Vance asked if the law firm is working with any cities in Arkansas. Mr. McGlasson answered no, but they are waiting on a RFP from Little Rock.

Councilman Vance questioned what the law firm charges for a collection fee. Mr. McGlasson answered a 25% contingency fee is charged on all collected fines. He noted there is no charge unless they collect a fine.

Councilman Gene Vance motioned, seconded by Councilman Mikel Fears, that the Police Chief and Mayor decide which company to hire for the collection of delinquent fines. All voted aye.

This item was Read.

RES-09:116

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH CITY, WATER AND LIGHT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS ("CWL") AND THE CITY OF JONESBORO ARKANSAS ("CITY")

Sponsors: Fire Department

Attachments: [Fire Hydrant Maint. FINAL \(2\)](#)

Fire Chief Leonard Jadrich explained there is a problem with dispatching the Fire Department due to the system using analog equipment, which is not compatible with the digital equipment. He stated a year ago they were informed the equipment could not be purchased anymore. He noted they created a patch, but it is not working and is causing the Fire Department to miss pages.

He explained City Water and Light (CWL) will pay the cost to have the new system installed up-front. He noted for approximately 15-years CWL has maintained the fire

hydrants. He added in exchange for the up-front cost the Fire Department will maintain the fire hydrants. He stated the maintenance of the fire hydrants is part of the City's ISO rating. He further explained the Fire Department will provide maintenance to the hydrants up to two times a year, which will add an extra point to the ISO rating.

Chief Jadrich stated the cost of the equipment is \$150,000. Mayor Perrin explained CWL will pay the City \$60,000 annually for as long as the City provides maintenance for the hydrants.

Chairman Moore questioned if training will be provided by CWL. Chief Jadrich answered yes and one person is already being provided training. He noted the Fire Department is scheduled to have training on Thursday and Friday. He stated the Fire Department will need to purchase some items to help with the maintenance on the hydrants.

He explained the Fire Department will remotely enter the information into CWL's database in order to keep a record for the ISO rating.

Chairman Moore asked if CWL is going to provide the parts needed. Chief Jadrich answered yes.

Discussion was held concerning what maintenance the Fire Department will be providing.

Councilman Vance questioned if maintaining the fire hydrants will require additional manpower. Chief Jadrich answered no.

Chairman Moore asked if the Fire Department already does a yearly review on all fire hydrants in the City. Chief Jadrich answered yes. He added there are approximately 2,600 plugs in the City, which is approximately 100 plugs per truck.

Councilman Hargis questioned if the Fire Department does the flow test on the hydrants. Chief Jadrich answered no because that is CWL's responsibility.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman Mikel Fears, that this Resolution be Recommended to Council. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 3 - Gene Vance;Chris Gibson and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - Mitch Johnson

6. Public Comments

7. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman Mikel Fears, that this meeting be Adjourned. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 3 - Gene Vance;Chris Gibson and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - Mitch Johnson



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A RESOLUTION TO Condemn Property at 811 E Washington

Body

WHEREAS, The above property has been inspected and has been determined unsuited for human habitation.

WHEREAS, all the stipulations have been met in the condemnation process to proceed with condemnation of this property.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS THAT: the City should proceed with the condemnation of the property at: 811 E Washington

CONDEMNATION CHECKLIST

Property Address: 811 E Washington Phone: 913-788-7005
 Property Owner: George McCullough Phone: _____
 Owner's Address: 2418 N 72nd Terrace Fax: _____
Kansas City, KS 66104

	BEGINNING DATE	ENDING DATE	ACTION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>01/26/09</u>	<u>01/26/09</u>	1. Identify structure unfit for human habitation.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>02/18/09</u>	<u>02/18/09</u>	2. Inspect Property. (Condemnation Officer & Building Inspector) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a. Prepare inspection report. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. Photograph property.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>01/26/09</u>	<u>01/26/09</u>	3. Determine ownership from county assessment & tax collection record.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>01/26/09</u>	<u>01/26/09</u>	4. Obtain legal description.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>02/20/09</u>	<u>02/20/09</u>	5. Send Notice of Violation & copy of inspection report to property owner(s) of record. Request written response from owner with 10 days from Notice of Violation indicating action the owner intends to take within the next 30 days to correct substandard conditions.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>05/19/09</u>	<u>05/19/09</u>	6. Obtain or complete title report to verify ownership & other vested interests, such as mortgage holders, trustees, etc.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>05/06/09</u>	<u>05/06/09</u>	7. If response is not received or is not adequate, proceed as follows:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>Disclaimers</u>	<u>Signed</u>	8. Send 20-day pre-notification letter owner(s) & others with vested interest in property advising the date the property will be presented to City Council for consideration of condemnation.
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> a. Owner unknown or whereabouts not known or such owner is a nonresident of Arkansas. 1) Post affidavit in newspaper once a week for two consecutive weeks
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	2) Attorney ad litem appointed to notify defendant.
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	9. Post sign on the property advising date the City Council will consider condemnation of the structure.
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	10. Photograph posted sign.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	11. Prepare information packet for each City Council member, plus one each for Mayor & City Attorney consisting of: <input type="checkbox"/> a. Location map <input type="checkbox"/> b. Photographs of the structure <input type="checkbox"/> c. Inspection report <input type="checkbox"/> d. Pre-condemnation notice <input type="checkbox"/> e. Condemnation resolution

BEGINNING DATE	ENDING DATE	ACTION
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	12. Place condemnation action resolution & supporting documentation for placement on the City Council agenda.
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	13. City Council adopts condemnation resolution.
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	File certified copy of Condemnation Resolution with Circuit Clerk.
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	14. Clerk.
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	15. Send owner(s) & other vested interests the following: <input type="checkbox"/> a. Copy of the City Council resolution. <input type="checkbox"/> b. 30-day notice to cure through repair, demolition or with inspector's approval, board & secure for stated period of time.
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	16. Post 30-day notice to cure on structure.
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	17. Photograph posted notice.
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	18. Evaluate status of owner's action on 31 st day after Notice to Cure was issued. If no action taken by owner, proceed with demolition.
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	19. Determine presence of asbestos & dangerous mold. If present, prepare a removal plan.
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	20. Obtain three demolition bids.
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	21. Notice of Intent with ADEQ
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	22. Notify utility companies to disconnect & remove service from structure for safe demolition.
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	23. Issue Notice to Proceed to demolition contractor.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	07/20/09	24. Prepare demolition cost statement consisting of: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a. Mailing fees <input type="checkbox"/> b. Publication fees <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. Demolition costs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> d. Asbestos and/or dangerous mold testing fee <input type="checkbox"/> e. Asbestos and/or dangerous mold removal fee <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> f. Title search fee <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> g. Landfill tipping fees(if not included with demolition contract) <input type="checkbox"/> h. Photograph costs <input type="checkbox"/> i. Attorney fees <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> j. Filing fees for Circuit Clerk <input type="checkbox"/> k. Any documentation miscellaneous costs <input type="checkbox"/> l. Send Total to City Collector for billing to owners
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	2150.00	
	48.00	
	75.00	
	1205.88	
	30.00	
	TOTALS=	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	07/20/09	25. Send a letter & cost statement to the City Attorney requesting a tax lien be placed on the property.
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