



City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Public Services Council Committee

Monday, August 11, 2008

4:00 PM

Huntington Building

1. Call To Order

Mr. Tony Thomas from the Mayor's office was also in attendance.

Present 4 - Ann Williams; Tim McCall; Jim Hargis and Charles Frierson

Absent 2 - Cecil Province and Faye McCall

2. Approval of minutes

[MIN-08:163](#)

Minutes for the Public Services meeting on July 14, 2008.

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Jim Hargis, seconded by Councilman Tim McCall, that this Minutes be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 3 - Ann Williams; Tim McCall and Jim Hargis

Absent: 2 - Cecil Province and Faye McCall

3. New Business

[RES-08:130](#)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVING THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO PARTICIPATE UNDER THE 2009 ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND TOURISM'S OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT PROGRAM

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Parks Director Jason Wilkie stated the deadline for the application is August 27. Mr. Wilkie explained the City will have to match the grant in the 2009 budget, which is what is typically done every year. He added the the full grant available is \$500,000, but typically the City only averages about \$200,000 which leaves the City to match \$100,000.

A motion was made by Councilman Tim McCall, seconded by Councilman Jim Hargis, that this Resolution be Recommended to Council. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 3 - Ann Williams; Tim McCall and Jim Hargis

Absent: 2 - Cecil Province and Faye McCall

4. Pending Items

5. Other Business

COM-08:104

Turtle Creek Greenway Bridge Costs & Timeline as presented by Parks Director Jason Wilkie to the Public Services Committee at the meeting on August 11, 2008.

Attachments: [Turtle Creek Greenway Bridge Costs & Timeline](#)

Mr. Wilkie explained they needed a bridge to cross the Turtle Creek side of the Nettleton Public Schools property. He further explained they projected the cost, but there is a shortfall after bids were taken. He discussed the situation and noted if the trend continues the costs of the project will get higher. He added he wanted to make the committee aware they were hoping to request appropriations from the Finance Committee. Chairman Charles Frierson stated Mr. Wilkie can let the Finance Committee know Public Services discussed it and are in favor of the bridge without commenting on the financing. Councilman Hargis questioned the current status of the greenway. Mr. Wilkie stated there is 2,000 feet of greenway already on Race Street connecting Allen Park to Nettleton Central Elementary School.

This item was Read.

Parks Department webpage on City website

Councilman Hargis noted on the City's website it states the City has 250 acres of park for the citizens. He asked for the number to be updated because it gives the wrong impression. He stated it should be accurate, whatever the number is.

Water park

Councilman Hargis stated he thinks the experts need to say how many gallons and square feet of pool are included, along with toys included, so that can be included in the numbers. Mr. Wilkie explained he thinks the final report will include those numbers.

COM-08:093

Draft findings of the 2008 JETS Triennial Review(see attached files)

Sponsors: JETS

Attachments: [FY2008_City of Jonesboro Draft](#)

This item was Read.

Discussion of African-American Cultural Center at E. Boone Watson Center

No discussion was held concerning this topic.

6. Public Comments**7. Adjournment**

With no further business, Chairman Frierson adjourned the meeting.