



# City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center  
300 S. Church Street  
Jonesboro, AR 72401

## Meeting Minutes City Council

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Tuesday, November 18, 2014

5:30 PM

Municipal Center

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### **SPECIAL CALLED FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING AT 5:00 P.M.**

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### **SPECIAL CALLED PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AT 5:10 P.M.**

### **PUBLIC HEARING AT 5:15 P.M.**

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*Regarding the abandonment of an undeveloped right-of-way on Eva Court as requested by Bob Harrison*

*No one spoke in opposition to the abandonment.*

### **1. CALL TO ORDER AT 5:30 P.M.**

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*In the absence of Mayor Perrin, President Pro Temp Councilman Chris Moore presided over the meeting.*

### **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION**

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### **3. ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK DONNA JACKSON**

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**Present** 11 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods; Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

**Absent** 1 - Tim McCall

### **4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

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Presentation to Corporal John Eidson

Councilman Moore announced Corporal John Eidson was presented with a commendation for Outstanding Law Enforcement Officer of the Year for 2014 by Attorney General Dustin McDaniel at a recent Law Enforcement Summit. He was nominated for the honor for his work during a recent event where he saved seven citizens, including four children. Councilman Moore presented Corp. Edison with a proclamation.

## **5. CONSENT AGENDA**

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### *Approval of the Consent Agenda*

**A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Chris Gibson, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motioned PASSED**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods; Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

**Absent:** 1 - Tim McCall

### **MIN-14:134**

Minutes for the City Council meeting on November 4, 2014

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**Attachments:** [Minutes](#)

**This item was PASSED on the consent agenda.**

### **RES-14:162**

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS REQUESTING FREE UTILITIES AT 502-B- N. BRIDGE STREET FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO.

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**Sponsors:** Building Maintenance

**This item was PASSED on the consent agenda.**

Enactment No: R-EN-165-2014

### **RES-14:174**

RESOLUTION TO REAPPOINT FRED DACUS TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, RESIDENTIAL HOUSING & HEALTH CARE FACILITIES BOARD

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**Sponsors:** Mayor's Office

**This item was PASSED on the consent agenda.**

Enactment No: R-EN-166-2014

### **RES-14:175**

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ACCEPT RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM RPI TURTLE CREEK MALL, LLC TO CONSTRUCT A RIGHT TURN LANE AT NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF

HIGHLAND DRIVE AND RED WOLF BOULEVARD

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**Sponsors:** Engineering

**Attachments:** [Dedication Deed](#)  
[Indemnification Agreement](#)

**This item was PASSED on the consent agenda.**

Enactment No: R-EN-167-2014

**RES-14:179**

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO INSTALL CURB FOR THE ABERDEEN EXTENSION TO MACEDONIA ROAD IN SAGE MEADOWS SUBDIVISION

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**Sponsors:** Engineering

**Attachments:** [Agreement](#)

**This item was PASSED on the consent agenda.**

Enactment No: R-EN-168-2014

**RES-14:183**

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT A PERMANENT DRAINAGE EASEMENT FROM BP HERITAGE LLC FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

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**Sponsors:** Engineering

**Attachments:** [Permanant Drainage Easement](#)

**This item was PASSED on the consent agenda.**

Enactment No: R-EN-169-2014

**RES-14:184**

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH TURMAN CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE CDBG SEWER IMPROVEMENTS - TONYA DRIVE PROJECT (2014:28)

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**Sponsors:** Engineering and Grants

**Attachments:** [Contract Documents - 2014 28](#)  
[Bid Tab](#)

**This item was PASSED on the consent agenda.**

Enactment No: R-EN-170-2014

**RES-14:187**

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS RENAMING DUSTIN DRIVE TO CEDAR CREEK LANE

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**Sponsors:** Planning

**Attachments:** [DustinDrive Aerial View](#)  
[Ridgeview Farms Addition Replat](#)

**This item was PASSED on the consent agenda.**

Enactment No: R-EN-171-2014

**RES-14:190**

RESOLUTION TO REAPPOINT MEMBERS TO THE HOMELESS PREVENTION COMMITTEE AND REMOVE A MEMBER FROM THE MASTER STREET PLAN COMMITTEE

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**Sponsors:** Mayor's Office

**This item was PASSED on the consent agenda.**

Enactment No: R-EN-172-2014

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

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**ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING**

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**ORD-14:066**

AN ORDINANCE ABANDONING AND VACATING A PART OF AN UNDEVELOPED STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED IN EVA COURT AS REQUESTED BY BOB HARRISON

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**Attachments:** [Petition](#)  
[Plat](#)  
[Utility Letters](#)  
[City Letters](#)

*Councilman Street offered the ordinance for first reading by title only.*

*Councilman Street questioned whether there were any problems with this rezoning. City Planner Otis Spriggs answered no.*

*Councilman Vance asked if this is the same abandonment that was presented to Council at a previous meeting where someone was in opposition, but is okay with it now. Mr. Spriggs answered yes, the people in opposition have worked it out with the developer and are no longer against the abandonment.*

*Councilman Street motioned, seconded by Councilman Gibson, to suspend the rules*

and waive the second and third readings. All voted aye.

**A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Chris Gibson, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

**Absent:** 1 - Tim McCall

Enactment No: O-EN-062-2014

**ORD-14:067**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN ZONING BOUNDARIES FROM RS-8 TO C-3 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON SAGE MEADOWS BLVD AS REQUESTED BY K&G PROPERTIES

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**Attachments:** [Plat](#)  
[MAPC Report](#)

*Councilman Gibson offered the ordinance for first reading by title only.*

**A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman John Street, to Waive the Second Reading . The motion PASSED with the following vote.**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

**Absent:** 1 - Tim McCall

**ORD-14:068**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN ZONING BOUNDARIES FROM R-1 TO RESIDENTIAL PD-R FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3900 FRIENDLY HOPE ROAD AS REQUESTED BY JEANETTE POPE

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**Attachments:** [Plat](#)  
[MAPC Report](#)  
[Conceptual Site Layout](#)  
[Supplementary Council Information](#)

*Councilman Gibson offered the ordinance for first reading by title only.*

*Councilman Street questioned whether there was any opposition to the rezoning. Mr. Spriggs answered no.*

**A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Darrel Dover, to Waive Second Reading . The motion PASSED with the following vote.**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

**Absent:** 1 - Tim McCall

**ORD-14:069**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117, ARTICLE III, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN ZONING BOUNDARIES FROM R-1 TO C-3 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2920 MCCLELLAN DRIVE AS REQUESTED BY CENTERLINE LLC

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**Attachments:**     [Plat](#)  
                                  [MAPC Report](#)

*Councilman Street offered the ordinance for first reading by title only.*

*Councilman Street asked if there is any opposition to the rezoning. Mr. Spriggs answered no.*

**A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Chris Gibson, to Waive Second Reading . The motion PASSED with the following vote.**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

**Absent:** 1 - Tim McCall

**RESOLUTIONS TO BE INTRODUCED**

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**RES-14:176**

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS to Condemn property at 1107 Burke Owner Kay Potter Holladay (Deceased) Jennifer L Pickle (Administratrix)

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**Sponsors:**            Code Enforcement

**Attachments:**        [CONDEMNATION CHECKLIST](#)  
                                  [Inspection Report 1107](#)  
                                  [1107 Burke](#)  
                                  [County Data 1107 Burke](#)

**A motion was made by Councilman Darrel Dover, seconded by Councilman John Street, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

**Absent:** 1 - Tim McCall

Enactment No: R-EN-173-2014

**RES-14:177**

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS to condemn property at 2908 Planters, Owner: Walter Steve Stroud, Jr.

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**Sponsors:** Code Enforcement

**Attachments:** [CONDEMNATION CHECKLIST](#)  
[Inspection Report](#)  
[2908 Planters](#)  
[County Data 2908 Planters](#)

**A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman Darrel Dover, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

**Absent:** 1 - Tim McCall

Enactment No: R-EN-174-2014

## **7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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### ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

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#### **ORD-14:065**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN ZONING BOUNDARIES FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2916 WOOD ST., AS REQUESTED BY THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS.

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**Attachments:** [Plat](#)  
[MAPC Report](#)

**This item was Held at second reading.**

## **8. MAYOR'S REPORTS**

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*The Legislative Audit that was recently completed was one of the cleanest audits the city has had. Councilman Moore congratulated the Mayor and his staff on such a clean audit.*

*Chief Financial Officer Ben Barylske was recognized as the Arkansas Business Chief Financial Officer of the Year for 2014. Councilman Moore congratulated Mr. Barylske.*

*Councilman Moore asked for an update concerning the Talley property at 318 Leslie Ann. City Engineer Craig Light explained at the last Council meeting the Council voted for the Public Works Committee to discuss this issue at their December meeting. Mr. Jeremy Talley was in the Engineering Department this afternoon, but he was not available to speak to him. Mr. Talley explained he would like to know when MATA re-routed Aggie Road/Stadium Blvd. He knows it was Project 723. He further*

*explained both times his property has flooded because the ditch has overflowed and his drainage had nowhere to go. He would like to know when the job was started and completed. He further explained when the work was done by the city in 2009 the leftover dirt was used by a developer to the south of his property that raised his lot causing more water to flow down to his residence. He asked the city to look at that as well. Mr. Talley also stated that the Engineering Report from the last meeting indicated no developments have occurred in the area recently. But a neighbor has put an addition on their house about three years ago, plus the school added a large wing to the school as well as building a parking lot. All those projects have contributed to the water flow to his neighborhood. He asked that those projects be looked at as well. Councilman Moore stated that his request will be sent to the Engineering Department. Mr. Talley asked that they look at the re-routing of Aggie Road to make sure the drainage was sufficient. He referred to a culvert where debris backs up and causing water flow issues. Mr. Light explained the culvert is actually located on Arkansas State University property and is not regulated by the city and had no involvement in the installation of the box culvert. Councilman Moore stated they will get answers so the issues can be discussed at the next Public Works meeting.*

**COM-14:092**

Jonesboro Airport Commission financial statement for ten months ending October 31, 2014

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**Sponsors:** Municipal Airport Commission

**Attachments:** [Financial statement](#)

**This item was Filed.**

**9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

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*Councilman Street motioned, seconded by Councilman Dover, to suspend the rules and place RES-14:196 on the agenda. All voted aye.*

**RES-14:196**

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT FACILITIES FOR TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH, SECOND REPLAT, A COMMERCIAL SUBDIVISION

**Sponsors:** Engineering

**Attachments:** [Maintenance Agreement](#)  
[Plat](#)

**A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Mitch Johnson, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote:**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

**Absent:** 1 - Tim McCall

Enactment No: R-EN-175-2014



*Councilman Dover motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Williams, to suspend the rules and place RES-14:195, RES-14:197, RES-14:198 and ORD-14:072 on the agenda. All voted aye.*

**RES-14:195**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO JOIN THE CITIES OF SERVICE ORGANIZATION

**Sponsors:** Grants

**Attachments:** [Declaration of Service to Join form](#)

*Councilman Gibson motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Williams, to adopt the resolution.*

*Councilman Vance asked that the coalition be looked at further before adoption due to questions brought up at the Finance Committee meeting earlier this evening. Councilman Moore explained during the meeting he brought up the fact that the city is accepting a grant with no obligations from a group out of New York. He wanted to know if the city's name is going to be used on that coalition's agenda, but was told by Grants Administrator Heather Clements that would not happen. The group is the city is getting the grant from is funded by Michael Bloomberg. He expressed concern at the committee meeting about Jonesboro being associated with a group that does not follow the ideals of Jonesboro. Councilman Vance agreed, adding that some of the things Mr. Bloomberg stands for does not go along with what Jonesboro stands for. He further stated he is not worried about any obligations that may come along with the grant; rather, he is worried about being associated with a group the city may not want to be associated with. Councilman Coleman recommended getting more information before the city makes a decision on the resolution.*

*Councilman Gibson rescinded his motion for adoption.*

*Councilman Vance motioned to table the resolution.*

*Councilman Dover asked for details concerning the grant. Ms. Clements explained it is a grant for up to \$30,000 to implement community services, such as community engagement and volunteer engagement. The money will be used to plan for those services and implement them. It will basically take what the city has done with groups such as the North Jonesboro Neighborhood Initiative and implement it in other areas of the city. The grant is privately funded, but is partnered with a federal agency called CNCS which is part of Department of Human Services.*

*Councilman Street asked if the City Attorney's Office reviewed the resolution. Assistant City Attorney Carol Duncan stated they reviewed the resolution as to form, but did not research it. She thought that was why it was being presented to Council, for the Council to decide whether or not they wanted to be a part of it.*

*Councilman Moore asked if the resolution can be held, reviewed by the Mayor and then brought back at the next meeting with a recommendation by the Mayor. Ms. Clements stated she has already discussed this resolution with the Mayor in detail or it wouldn't have been on the agenda. She added if there are concerns, then the resolution should be held until Council can fully support it. She noted if the declaration is not approved tonight the city will not be eligible to apply for the grant, but there are other grants to apply for.*

City Clerk Donna Jackson noted Councilwoman Williams did not rescind her second for adoption. Councilman Moore stated since Councilman Gibson rescinded his motion for adoption, if no other action is taken by the Council the resolution will not be approved due to lack of action.

**A motion was made by Councilman Charles Coleman, seconded by Councilman Gene Vance, that this matter be Postponed Temporarily . The motion PASSED with the following vote:**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

**Absent:** 1 - Tim McCall

**RES-14:197**

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO AMEND THE CITY SALARY & ADMINISTRATION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO ADD A PLANNER I & II POSITION TO THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT

**Sponsors:** Finance and Planning

**Attachments:** [Planner I](#)  
[Planner II](#)

**A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Gene Vance, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote:**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

**Absent:** 1 - Tim McCall

Enactment No: R-EN-176-2014

**RES-14:198**

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CITY OF JONESBORO EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK TO ADD A SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY AND AMEND THE DRUG FREE WORKPLACE POLICY

**Sponsors:** Finance and Human Resources

**Attachments:** [Drug Free Workplace Policy](#)  
[Social Media Policy 2014](#)

**A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Mitch Johnson, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote:**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

**Absent:** 1 - Tim McCall

Enactment No: R-EN-177-2014

**ORD-14:072**

AN ORDINANCE TO WAIVE COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND AUTHORIZE CITY OF JONESBORO TO CONTRACT WITH ROUTE MATCH TO INSTALL THE MOBILE DATA SYSTEM TO THE CURRENT PARATRANSIT VEHICLES

**Sponsors:** JETS

*Councilman Dover offered the ordinance for first reading.*

*Councilman Johnson motioned, seconded by Councilman Dover, to suspend the rules and waive the second and third readings. All voted aye.*

*After adoption of the ordinance, Councilman Street motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Williams, to adopt the emergency clause. All voted aye.*

**A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilman Darrel Dover, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote:**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

**Absent:** 1 - Tim McCall

Enactment No: O-EN-063-2014

## **10. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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*Mr. Phillip Cook, 5216 Richardson Drive, commended the Council for tabling RES-14:195 for further investigation. He asked for the city to find money in the budget to provide the public safety departments as well as the Street Department with raises. He thanked those departments for their work.*

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

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**A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilman Rennell Woods, that this meeting be Adjourned . The motion PASSED with the following vote:**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

**Absent:** 1 - Tim McCall

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**Harold Perrin, Mayor**

**Attest:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Donna Jackson, City Clerk**