



City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, June 20, 2017

5:30 PM

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PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING AT 4:00 P.M.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING AT 5:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR PERRIN AT 5:30 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

3. ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK DONNA JACKSON

Present 12 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Charles Coleman; Bobby Long; Joe Hafner and David McClain

Jim Stark from Vector Mosquito Control came to the podium to speak. As you are aware, we have seen an increase in the bugs in the last few weeks. It is not surprising and everyone here knows it starts about this time. It was a little bit earlier this year because rice went in earlier. I'm hoping since that is the case, that the season will be over soon, but that remains to be seen. We have been spraying just about every night since the first of June or so. Our mosquito traps are climbing in numbers each day. We didn't have any service requests during the month of May. Since June 1st, we have had about 12 and that is climbing each day. We are scheduled for July 1st and July 2nd for aerial sprays. We will do Craighead Forest, the Softball Fields, and anywhere else there is going to be a crowd. They will also have trucks out as well. After the 4th flights, Jonesboro will start it's eight consecutive weeks. It depends upon the weather and how hot it is and the bug count. If I see a change, I will usually call the Mayor and ask him what he thinks. He usually leaves that up to me and we usually add that extra week or two onto the back of the schedule. That is the game plan for right now. Again, if you all have any problems whatsoever, you know how to get a hold of me. I'll do what I can to make everyone happy. I can't, but I'm going to try.

Mayor Perrin said for those who are new on the Council, in our contract with Vector, if there are citizens who need a service or are having a function, if you will call Vector Mosquito Control and give them three or four days lead time, he will come to your facility and spray the area. That has been a big plus for this company. Mr. Stark said that he was glad the Mayor brought that up. People have a bad habit of calling that day and say they need something that afternoon. Sometimes we can get you in and sometimes we can't especially with the 4th of July coming up. Mr. Starks asked for at least a 24-hour notice.

Councilman Hafner stated that Mr. Starks mentioned doing the flyover at Craighead Forest. He wanted to let Mr. Starks know that the fireworks would be at Joe Mack Campbell Park this year and not Craighead Forest. Mr. Stark said he did not know that. Mayor Perrin said the two places will be Southside Softball Complex and Joe Mack Campbell Park. Mr. Starks said he was glad someone told him. He said he will still do Craighead Forest because there will still be people out there. Mayor Perrin thanked Mr. Stark and said the service has been good.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

Aye: 12 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Charles Coleman; Bobby Long; Joe Hafner and David McClain

MIN-17:065

Minutes for the City Council meeting on June 6, 2017

Attachments: [Minutes.pdf](#)

This item was APPROVED on the Consent Agenda.

Aye: 12 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Charles Coleman; Bobby Long; Joe Hafner and David McClain

RES-17:052

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT A PERMANENT DRAINAGE EASEMENT FROM ERIKA OR DUSTIN CHUDY FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

Attachments: [Permanent Drainage Easement - Chudy](#)

This item was APPROVED on the Consent Agenda.

RES-17:076

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH FISHER & ARNOLD, INC. TO PERFORM PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

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

This item was APPROVED on the Consent Agenda.

RES-17:082

RESOLUTION TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS, REAPPOINTMENTS AND REMOVALS TO THE COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD, LAND USE ADVISORY COMMISSION AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT BOARD

This item was APPROVED on the Consent Agenda.

RES-17:083

A RESOLUTION FOR THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE COPS (COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES) HIRING PROGRAM

THROUGH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FOR THE HIRING OF FIVE POLICE OFFICERS.

Attachments: [oppCOPS-HIRING-PROGRAM-APPLICATION-2017-cfda16.710](#)
[COPS Hiring Grant - Budget Breakdown](#)

This item was **APPROVED** on the Consent Agenda.

RES-17:084

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) FOR THE EXECUTION OF THE CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM

Attachments: [CoC Agreement](#)
[Continuum of Care Program Special Conditions](#)

This item was **APPROVED** on the Consent Agenda.

RES-17:085

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR THE CRAIGHEAD FOREST PARK ROAD IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Attachments: [Change Order #1](#)

This item was **APPROVED** on the Consent Agenda.

Councilman Moore said after the last meeting, an astute viewer called him and had questions about the way that we offer an ordinance to be presented to the Council. State law is pretty clear. We have to read an ordinance in full on three separate occasions unless we suspend the rules. We currently suspend the rules and waive second and third reading. She indicated there should be a motion and a second when we offer to suspend the rules by title only. I contacted the City Attorney Carol Duncan and she researched it. She concluded the same thing as I did. Ms. Cheshire was correct. What the City Attorney said is now the appropriate motion. If you are going to offer, it will be a motion to offer by title only and will need a second to vote. Then, after it is read by title only, you will need a motion to suspend the rules and waive second and third readings if that is appropriate.

City Attorney Carol Duncan said it might even be better to say suspend the rules in that initial motion as well, to suspend the rules and offer by title only. Councilman Dover asked if you had to suspend the rules to offer by title only. Ms. Duncan said that was correct or she can just read it in full, whatever the Council's desire is. Councilman Moore said if we are going to read it by title only, you will make an offer to suspend the rules and offer by title only. Mayor Perrin said you are adding the suspension. Councilman Moore said we will have one extra vote on it. He said he would like to thank Ms. Cheshire for bringing that to our attention. If anyone else sees that we are doing anything inappropriate, if they will contact him, he will forward it on and we will do the research on it.

5. NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

ORD-17:032

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO AMEND THE 2017 GENERAL FUND BUDGET IN ORDER TO ADD TWO FULL-TIME SANITATION WORKER POSITIONS TO THE SANITATION - RESIDENTIAL DEPARTMENT

Attachments: [Maps](#)

Councilman Dover motioned, seconded by Councilman Moore to suspend the rules and offer by title only. All voted aye.

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

Councilman Dover motioned, seconded by Councilman Street, to suspend the rules, amend the ordinance, and add the emergency clause to this ordinance due to the fact of the season of lawn care, trash, and limbs being put out for pickup. All voted aye.

Councilman Gibson moved, seconded by Councilman Moore to adopt the emergency clause. All voted aye.

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

Aye: 12 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Charles Coleman;Bobby Long;Joe Hafner and David McClain

ORD-17:035

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE JONESBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ESTABLISH A PERMIT PROCESS AND REGULATIONS FOR TEMPORARY STREET AND LANE CLOSURES IN THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS

Attachments: [Temporary Street and Lane Closure Regulations](#)

Councilman Moore motioned, seconded by Councilman Hafner to suspend the rules and offer by title only. All vote aye.

Councilman Moore motioned to hold this ordinance and read it on three separate occasions. He has a couple of things he needs to get with City Engineer Craig Light on.

Held at one reading

ORD-17:042

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CREATION OF A REGULATED FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE STREET DEPARTMENT, AND FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE JONESBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 42, LICENSES, PERMITS, AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS REGULATIONS - STREET DEPARTMENT.

Councilman Hafner motioned, seconded by Councilman Gibson to amend the ordinance on the agenda and replace it with the updated ordinance. All voted aye.

Councilman Hafner motioned, seconded by Councilman Street, to suspend the rules and offer by title only. All voted aye.

Councilman Hafner said the reason we are changing the ordinance is that we had a small change in the language from the original ordinance. The original ordinance said the attached fee schedule is hereby adopted by reference. We changed that so in the

future it can be changed by resolution and not by ordinance.

City Attorney Carol Duncan said that we had talked about putting it into Chapter 62 and instead we are putting it into Chapter 42. That is another change that happened later. We felt it would be a better fit under Licenses, Permits, and Miscellaneous Business Regulations.

Mayor Perrin said we would hold it and get three individual readings because there is no hurry and we can do publicity on these later on depending upon the desire of the council so we can educate the citizens. There are very small increases, but he thinks it should be read three times.

Held at one reading

ORD-17:043

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CREATION OF A REGULATED FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, AND FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE JONESBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 42, LICENSES, PERMITS, AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS REGULATIONS - ENGINEERING

Councilman Hafner motioned, seconded by Councilman Street to amend the ordinance on the agenda and replace it with the updated ordinance. All voted aye.

Councilman Dover motioned, seconded by Councilman Street to suspend the rules and offer by title only and hold it at one reading. All voted aye.

Councilman Moore asked if it was the same situation as ORD-17:042. Mayor Perrin said yes. City Attorney Carol Duncan said that we had talked about putting it into Chapter 62 and instead we are putting it into Chapter 42. Ms. Duncan stated that the wording on all three of these changes is exactly the same, the location of it and to adopt by resolution.

Held at one reading

ORD-17:044

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CREATION OF A REGULATED FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE PARKS & RECREATION, CEMETERY DEPARTMENT, AND FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE JONESBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 42, LICENSES, PERMITS, AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS REGULATIONS- PARKS/RECREATION AND CEMETERY

Attachments: [Parks Fee Sched 2017](#)

Councilman Hafner motioned, seconded by Councilman Street to amend the ordinance on the agenda and replace it with the updated ordinance. All voted aye.

City Attorney Carol Duncan said that we had talked about putting it into Chapter 62 and instead we are putting it into Chapter 42. Ms. Duncan stated that the wording on all three of these changes is exactly the same, the location of it and to adopt by resolution.

Councilman Street motioned, seconded by Councilman Hafner to suspend the rules and offer by title only. All voted aye. Councilman Street motioned to hold it at one reading.

Held at one reading

ORD-17:045

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO AMEND THE 2017 BUDGET TO ADD GRANT BUDGET FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT CONTINUUM OF CARE (CoC)

PROGRAM AWARD, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Attachments: [CoC Agreement](#)

Councilman Street motioned, seconded by Councilman Dover, to suspend the rules and offer by title only. All voted aye.

Councilman Street motioned, seconded by Councilman Frierson to suspend the rules and waive the second and third readings due to the time sensitive nature of the document. All voted aye.

Councilman Street motioned, seconded by Councilman Moore to adopt the emergency clause due to the time sensitive nature of this document. All voted aye.

Mayor Perrin stated that some of the grants that come in here where they only give us 7-8 days and we meet on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. When we bring you these grants like this, they only give you so many days. We have even asked for extensions and there are none. We have to follow along with whatever agency it is.

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: 12 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Charles Coleman;Bobby Long;Joe Hafner and David McClain

RESOLUTIONS TO BE INTRODUCED**RES-17:049**

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS to condemn property located at 904 Belt, Owner: Charles Mabry, DBA Mabry Properties and Holdings LLC.

Attachments: [pic 1](#)
[pic 2](#)
[pic 3](#)
[pic 4](#)
[county data](#)
[Inspection report](#)
[Title search](#)

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: 12 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Charles Coleman;Bobby Long;Joe Hafner and David McClain

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING****ORD-17:026**

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND ADOPT AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO

TOWING SERVICES IN THE CITY OF JONESBORO

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

Aye: 12 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Charles Coleman;Bobby Long;Joe Hafner and David McClain

7. MAYOR'S REPORTS

Mayor Perrin said that you all have been provided with the Airport Commission Financial Statements for the first five months ending May 31, 2017 which is good. In addition to that, you all received a lot of financial information from our Chief Financial Officer Suzanne Allen. If you have any questions on that, you can contact her. I think it was a good report. We will be going over May's report tomorrow, but it still is looking good. There was an article in the paper today on some of our comments on that.

Mayor Perrin said our IT Department did an audit on utilization of ipads, jet packs, and iphones. It was discovered that we had 25 units that had not been used in three months. IT Director Jason Ratliff is checking with all of those to make sure. If not, we will turn those off and save x number of dollars per month every month. I think that is good that Mr. Ratliff is doing that. We will be auditing the utilization of that.

Mayor Perrin stated that recycling starts on twice a month beginning in July. Chief Operations Officer Ed Tanner did a promo on our Channel 24 that will probably be airing tomorrow or as soon as it is edited we will be doing that.

Mayor Perrin said on the College Street Bridge, one of our partners, Craighead County, moved in this week. They will be taking out the old bridge and begin construction. This has been posted on our website, Facebook, Twitter, and all of those to make sure citizens know of the detour in that area.

Mayor Perrin stated that FEMA will be here to discuss the flood maps. This is something that a lot of you have been interested in for years. We are still dealing with a 1991 flood map and here it is 2017.

On July 13, 2017, please mark your calendars because FEMA will be at the Public Works Office from 9 to 11 a.m. I have asked Communications Director Bill Campbell to get some releases out. I know the media is here today and I would like to have a good crowd for that meeting. Councilman McClain asked if it was scheduled for July 13, 2017. Mayor Perrin said that was correct, July 13th at 9 a.m. at the Public Works Office.

Councilman Street asked Mayor Perrin if we had had any lomers on that since it was digitized. Mayor Perrin said that he was not aware of any, but he doesn't think any lomers or clomers have been added. City Engineer Craig Light said there probably have been a few small single lots, numbers based on fill, but not any major lomers or clomers. Councilman Street asked if that was going to be incorporated in or is it going to be just what we submitted to FEMA. Mr. Light said it would be a combination of what we have submitted and what their current technical partner ends up doing. They have different criteria that they are applying to the maps. They are calling it a risk map rather than just a basic floodplain map. There are different features that they are adding to it. You are going to have unstudied Zone A areas with flood elevations. They are going to give you a little more detail on certain areas. There will be more information at that meeting in July.

Councilman Dover asked City Engineer Craig Light about the anticipation of the heavy rain that is supposed to be here Thursday and Friday. Does the City have any measures for preventative maintenance with crews going around checking everything? Mayor Perrin said the Street Department does that.

Mayor Perrin said that Chief Operations Officer Ed Tanner and City Engineer Craig Light went over and met with the Corp of Engineers last week. On Phase I of our Master Drainage Plan, the Colonel communicated with Congressman Crawford's Office. Basically, we are looking for additional federal funding for that. We need to make contact with Jay Sherrod with Congressman Crawford's Office who handles that. We need to make a note to call them this week and get on top of that. On Phase II of the Master Drainage Plan, the Corp plans to be working with HEC and RES Models Phase II. Basically, we hope to have that done by the end of September 2017. Dr. Hunt will be in Jonesboro this Thursday to follow up with some of our people to look at the Craighead Forest Dam, on that study, and the next budget cycle which starts in October of 2017. So, he will be here and he will be looking at that and getting it ready to start off in October.

Mayor Perrin stated that on the Turtle Creek Pedestrian Crossing, we got some good news. Josh Bright indicated he could issue a standard Nationwide permit for that bridge. We hope that we can get that permit in the next few weeks and start getting that bridge put in. That is our walking trail behind our mall.

Mayor Perrin said that on our Shooting Sports Complex, final determination should be made we hope in two weeks or less. After they get a receipt from ADEQ on the water sample that was sent down there, I want to call ADEQ tomorrow and visit with the Operations Director Mr. Cook and see where that status is. Once that is done, City Engineer Craig Light plans to take that and drive it to Memphis to get the final permit signed. Then, we can send that on to the Arkansas Game & Fish which then goes into one more step. We are pushing that very heavily to try to get that done. Because of the time of the year, we need to get this done if we are going to get in there and close on the land and start doing some dirt work and get it preserved.

Mayor Perrin said that Summer Basketball has started. City Stars had over 670 children sign up for the basketball program which is incredible. Our Cal Ripken ages 7-8 and 12-13 baseball has a state tournament this weekend which will mean a big crowd coming here. In Jonesboro, at the same time, we have our JETS Swim State Meet that will be here at the city pool. It is going to be a huge weekend.

Mayor Perrin said that he was pleased to report that with Chief Elliott and their training, we now have and have graduated nine reserve training officers that can help us out in all of these special events that we have. Sobriety checks will start on June 30, 2017 and will go all the way through July 4, 2017. The Bat mobile will be here doing that.

Mayor Perrin stated that we added \$500,000 to our overlay program and there were 22 overlays that we wanted to get done. I am proud to say that we have already completed those with the exception of one. We added two on the overlay program because we think we are going to have enough savings that we can go ahead and do Logan Street from Patrick to Kitchen and Honeysuckle from Wilkins to Merrywood. We hope to get that done and that is incredible with having it done by the end of June.

Mayor Perrin stated that our regular Council Meeting next month falls on July 4th which is a holiday. We always move it to the next Thursday which would be July 6,

2017. Councilman Street motioned, seconded by Councilman Dover, to move the Public Works Committee Meeting and the City Council Meeting from July 4, 2017 to July 6, 2017. All voted aye.

Mayor Perrin said we had another great cleanup even though it rained all day. He said he received a nice email from Judy Casteel who is President of the Scenic Hills Neighborhood Association. They had a cleanup and did 8.89 tons and did over 1,400 recyclable trash items. She wrote a very nice letter that I will share with all of the Department Heads and all the people in Sanitation and everyone that worked on that. Mayor Perrin told Ms. Casteel that he appreciated that letter and their hard work.

Mayor Perrin said that on the City's Privilege Licenses, we are in the 40% of penalty that has not been paid. As of today, we have \$83,230.41 that has not been paid on privilege licenses. I am going to get with the City Attorney and spend out a letter. There is absolutely no reason why that these businesses should not pay for these privilege licenses. If we have to shut them down, we shut them down. It is not fair to all who do that and that is thousands in this City. Mayor Perrin stated that on Liens, we have collected some. We met with our tax collector Wes Eddington on our liens. We have collected \$6,070. The good news is that we received our first check today from the State Land Commissioner John Thurston's Office for \$664 because they had a sale at the courthouse, but we had a lien attached to that. We have never collected that before. The County is doing their job. We had a great meeting today. Our liens are setting at \$140,654. We will be visiting with City Attorney Carol Duncan about that. We are going to start sending out some real serious notices. As you can see, there is over \$200,000 that is not being paid to the City. If you don't pay, look out because we are coming.

COM-17:034

Airport Commission financial statements for the five months ended May 31, 2017 and 2016

Attachments: [JAC Jonesboro Airport Financials 5_17.pdf](#)

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COM-17:037

CITY OF JONESBORO FINANCIAL UPDATE

Attachments: [2017 April Franchise tax report.pdf](#)
 [April 2017 Rev Exp and Changes in FB.pdf](#)
 [Required Reserves April 2017.pdf](#)
 [Jan. to Dec. 2017 401 A Non-Uniform Pension Funds - Changes in Positions](#)
 [April 2017 Revenue Report.pdf](#)
 [Jan. to Dec. 2017 Non-Uniform Pension Funds - Changes in Positions.pdf](#)
 [April 2017 Deposit Collateralization.pdf](#)
 [April 2014 Expenditure Report.pdf](#)
 [April 2017 Hotel Tax Comparison.pdf](#)
 [04-2017 State Turnback Report.pdf](#)
 [04 2017 Sales tax.pdf](#)
 [2017 Adopted Budget \(Jan-Apr\) Suz .pdf](#)
 [Observations Regarding 2017 Financial Statements.docx](#)

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8. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Street stated that he was at the graduation for the new reserves and the Chief has already stole one of them. Officer Page was offered a full-time job and she took it. We only have eight. They have a really good class. There were a bunch from the county that participated in it as well. Lyle Waterworth did a great job in training along with the county officers. It was very successful. Also, he thought the Municipal League Meeting was good. He got some good things from it. He still doesn't know what they will do about the medical marijuana, but he's sure the City Attorney Carol Duncan attended some of those meetings. Ms. Duncan said that we are on top of it.

RES-17:080

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CRAIGHEAD COUNTY AND OTHER CITIES WITHIN CRAIGHEAD COUNTY TO PROVIDE PROBATION SERVICES FOR CRAIGHEAD COUNTY DISTRICT COURT

Attachments: [Probation services contract](#)

Councilman Johnson said that the Public Safety Committee Meeting met earlier. We are trying to get the Probation Services implemented with District Court. Chief Elliott has been working on that. We have a deadline to meet of July 1, 2017.

Councilman Johnson motioned, seconded by Councilman Dover to suspend the rules and walk-on RES-17:080. All voted aye.

Mayor Perrin said that we have all the other cities that have agreed to participate in that which I thought was good. We will get that done tomorrow.

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

Aye: 12 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Charles Coleman;Bobby Long;Joe Hafner and David McClain

Councilman Dover said that he would like to remember the community of Newport in our prayers and pray for all of our Police Officers all over the nation and continue to lift them up in our prayers for their protection and for their families.

Councilman Hafner said the thought that the Municipal League Meeting last week was very informative. He said he learned a lot, but still has a lot to learn. Also, he thought that as of July 1st, we get a new duty as Council people. City Attorney Carol Duncan said that they are on that as well. Councilman Hafner asked what kind of guidance they would have. Ms. Duncan said she was assuming that he was referencing that the City Council has to approve all alcohol permits before they can be submitted to the ABC Commission. Councilman Hafner said that was what he was referring to.

Ms. Duncan said that surprisingly in the City Attorney's meeting, many big and small cities were not even aware that passed through the legislature this last time. It kind of slipped by most of us. There have been some discussions on different ways this can be set up as far as implementing the requirements. I haven't really talked or had any meetings with how we actually want to do it. It seems to make the most sense to just

come before the Council. There were discussions on setting up your own mini ABC Board. But, ultimately, the final decision still rests with the Council. It still has to come here and be approved. You can't designate that approval to someone else. That is where we are. I think the guidelines that you would want to follow logically would be the guidelines that the ABC already requires because obviously they still go through the process with ABC once it is approved here so they are still going to be required to meet those guidelines with the ABC Commission. Now, as far as if Council wants to add additional guidelines or not, we will have to have that discussion when it gets to committee. I will try to come up with a starter point and send it to committee and we will have a discussion and go from there. But, we will need to move on it.

Councilman Hafner said he wasn't sure if there would be additional fees. I know ABC charges an application fee. Ms. Duncan said that wasn't clear whether it gave us the authority to charge a fee and no one was clear in Little Rock whether it gave us the authority to charge a fee when we asked the question. I think you might be able to get away with an application fee just because of the administrative duties involved in processing applications if we are going to send that through one of our departments to make sure they have met the requirements. There are going to have to be certain requirements before the application gets to the Council I would presume. While we might be able to charge a small application fee, I don't know if we want to be the ones to set the trend of charging someone bigger.

Councilman Hafner said he wondered if we will get a copy of their application if they filed with ABC. Ms. Duncan said they will not file one with ABC until after it comes here. Councilman Hafner questioned if it had to come to the Council first and we had to have our own application. Ms. Duncan said that is what she has been working on. Councilman Dover asked if that would go to the Public Safety Committee. Ms. Duncan said there was a discussion that you could set up a committee made up of Council members that deals with only those applications, a Council Committee much like Public Safety or Public Works or whatever if you didn't want to send it to one of those committees. I think that is doable or you could send it to Public Safety. I think those rules are left up to us. Mayor Perrin said that Ms. Duncan has a lot of homework to do. Ms. Duncan said it seems that no one has any answers to any of the questions. Mayor Perrin said that we will get that. We are going to have to have our own application and go through the process. Whether we have another committee or have Public Safety do that which I think Public Safety would be good enough to do that rather than have another commission.

Councilman Hafner asked if that was effective July 1st. Ms. Duncan said it is. I don't know when we will get our first application. Actually, they can't do one because we don't have one. Councilman Hafner asked if we needed to put a hold on applications. Ms. Duncan said since we don't have one, they will just have to wait until we get it ready, but we are working on it to try to get it ready for you in July.

Councilman Long said that he would echo that he learned a lot at the Municipal League Conference last week. The vendors that were there were great. The speakers were good. The information we got was invaluable and the contacts were great. I appreciate the opportunity to be able to go.

Councilman McClain said he would keep the trend going. He attended the Municipal League Conference and he enjoyed it. I learned a few things that I think we can implement here in our City as far as Quality of Life and a few other things. I enjoyed that and I am glad I got to go.

RES-17:067

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH BAILEY CONTRACTORS, INC. FOR THE DESIGN/BUILD JET - TRANSIT ASSET PROTECTION PROJECT

(2017:23)

Attachments: [Contract documents 2017 23](#)
 [Bid Tab](#)

Councilman Gibson said the Nominating & Rules Committee met earlier.

Councilman Gibson motioned, seconded by Councilman Street, to suspend the rules and walk on RES-17:067. All voted aye.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilwoman Ann Williams, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Charles Coleman;Bobby Long;Joe Hafner and David McClain

Councilman Gibson stated that he will be meeting with City Attorney Carol Duncan on Friday to discuss procedural rules of review to make sure that our procedural rules are compliant with State law. He said he would like to have a Nominating and Rules Committee Special Called Meeting on Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. to discuss those as a committee. Councilman Gibson said that Alderman McClain asked for explanation for waived readings and they will roll that into this procedural review as well.

Councilman Moore said he didn't hear what he asked an explanation for. Councilman Gibson said it was an explanation of when we waive second and third readings, a statement of explanation. So we are just going to put that in the procedural rules. Councilman Moore said he thought that should also apply to when something is walked on and we suspend the rules. There ought to be a reason stated for that. Your suspending the rules so there should be an explanation of why. Mayor Perrin said he would like to see the State Statute put out beside it. Once it is approved, Mayor Perrin said they would all get a copy of it so they can have it and refer to it.

Councilman Moore asked where we are at with the bank building downtown. Mayor Perrin said he has a meeting with a Little Rock attorney that will be coming up here this week, possibly Thursday. We are looking at all options. I have just talked with him briefly on the phone about that. In between that call, we had some people who thought they had a project going on that but that failed so obviously, I want to get with the attorney with the Friday Firm. He specializes in real estate and so I am going to ask him to come up and give us some options.

Councilman Moore asked Mayor Perrin if he was thinking about hiring him to represent us to see how we can get this up. Mayor Perrin said yes. Councilman Moore said he thought that was an excellent idea. I spoke with you a couple of weeks ago and told you I think we need to hire an outside firm and put somebody on that. Otherwise, we are not ever going to get to the bottom of that. Mayor Perrin said we definitely got that and he will be here this Thursday. Councilman Moore asked if he was coming to the Mayor's office. Mayor Perrin said that he is coming here.

Councilman Moore asked if we needed a professional services contract with him. Mayor Perrin said that this was just discussion and we would talk in generality of where we are at, where we think we are at, and then I am sure he will work with Mr. Waddell who has done a lot of research on it even though he represents First Security Bank, he will just be pulling notations and stuff as well as Tim Grooms who is representing the lease hold owner Mr. Burrow. Once we get that, I will come back to you all with that contract. Councilman Moore said ok.

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

10. ADJOURNMENT

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

Aye: 12 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Charles Coleman;Bobby Long;Joe Hafner and David McClain

_____ Date: _____

Harold Perrin, Mayor

Attest:

_____ Date: _____

Donna Jackson, City Clerk