



# City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe  
Jonesboro, AR 72401

## Meeting Minutes City Council

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Tuesday, August 2, 2011

6:30 PM

Huntington Building

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### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AT 5:30 P.M.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR PERRIN AT 6:30 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; Tim McCall; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods; Mikel Fears and Charles Coleman

#### 4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

**COM-11:055** Mayor's Presentation

**Sponsors:** Mayor's Office

*Mayor Perrin presented Mr. Greg Chance with a proclamation commending him for his numerous years of service at the ASU radio station and in the Communications Department.*

**This item was Read.**

**COM-11:056** Mayor's Proclamation to the Diamond Kings USSSA Baseball Team World Series Champions

**Sponsors:** Mayor's Office

*Mayor Perrin presented a proclamation to the Diamond Kings for their world series championship win.*

**This item was Read.**

#### 5. 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. A motion was made that these files be approved by consent voice vote**

**Aye:** 12 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Tim McCall; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods; Mikel Fears and Charles Coleman

**MIN-11:062** Minutes for the City Council meeting on July 19, 2011.

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

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

**RES-11:123** RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A SUPPLEMENTAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY FOR EMPLOYEES REQUIRED TO POSSESS A COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE ("CDL")

**Sponsors:** Human Resources and Finance

**Attachments:** [DOT SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY FOR CDL DRIVERS](#)

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

Enactment No: R-EN-086-2011

**RES-11:133** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ACQUIRE THE ASSISTANCE OF THE ARKANSAS SECRETARY OF STATE IN REDRAWING THE WARD BOUNDARIES BY UTILIZING THEIR SOFTWARE PROGRAM

**Sponsors:** Mayor's Office

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

Enactment No: R-EN-087-2011

## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

### *ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING*

**ORD-11:055** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING EXISTING AND ESTABLISHING NEW TRAFFIC REGULATIONS FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT THEREOF

**Sponsors:** Police Department

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

*Councilman Johnson asked that the ordinance be read over three meetings in order to give the public enough time to read the ordinance and respond. Councilman Street agreed.*

**This ordinance was Held at one reading.**

**ORD-11:056** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2011 ANNUAL BUDGET AND THE CITY SALARY & ADMINISTRATION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO ADD A COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER TO THE MAYORS DEPARTMENT

**Sponsors:** Mayor's Office and Human Resources

**Attachments:** [Communications Officer](#)

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

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

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

**A motion was made by Councilwoman Ann Williams, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote**

**Aye:** 12 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Tim McCall;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Mikel Fears and Charles Coleman

Enactment No: O-EN-041-2011

## **7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### *ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING*

**ORD-11:042** 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-4 LUO LOCATED AT 3406 SOUTH CULBERHOUSE STREET AS REQUESTED BY THE FOOD BANK OF NEA

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

*After passage of the ordinance, Councilman Moore motioned, seconded by Councilman Gibson, to adopt the emergency clause. All voted aye.*

**A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Mitch Johnson, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote**

**Aye:** 12 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Tim McCall;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Mikel Fears and Charles Coleman

Enactment No: O-EN-042-2011

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

*Mayor Perrin reported on the following items:*

*He recognized the Police Department for the award they recently received from the armed services.*

*He, along with City Clerk Donna Jackson and Engineering employee Rusty McAllister will be visiting with the Secretary of State's office to re-draw the ward boundaries.*

*They will be presenting the Council with a new ward map.*

## **9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

*Councilman Gibson stated he has received some complaints concerning pot holes on Broadmoor. Mayor Perrin stated that road is on the overlay list, so it should be taken care of.*

*Councilwoman Williams motioned, seconded by Councilman Dover, to suspend the rules and place ORD-11:057 on the agenda. All voted aye.*

**ORD-11:057**

AN ORDINANCE TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH JQUAD PLANNING GROUP, LLC TO PERFORM PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE JONESBORO COMPREHENSIVE HOUSING NEEDS STUDY AND MARKET ANALYSIS

**Sponsors:** Community Development, Grants and Planning

**Attachments:** [CONTRACT FINAL](#)  
[RFQ 2011-36\\_PMG](#)  
[RFQ 2011-36\\_WES](#)  
[RFQ 2011-36\\_JQUAD](#)

*Councilwoman Williams offered the ordinance for first reading by title only.*

*Councilwoman Williams motioned, seconded by Councilman Coleman, to suspend the rules and waive second and third readings. All voted aye.*

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

**A motion was made by Councilwoman Ann Williams, seconded by Councilman Chris Gibson, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote**

**Aye:** 12 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Tim McCall;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Mikel Fears and Charles Coleman

Enactment No: O-EN-043-2011

*Councilman Moore motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Williams, to suspend the rules and place RES-11:135 and RES-11:137 on the agenda. All voted aye.*

**RES-11:135**

A RESOLUTION TO NAME THE CITY PARK AT NORTH MAIN AND ALLEN STREET THE REVEREND DR. HERMAN LEWELLEN PARK

**Sponsors:** Mayor's Office

**Attachments:** [Curtis Tate Request Letter](#)  
[RES 05 402 Guidelines](#)

**A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Charles Coleman, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote**

**Aye:** 12 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Tim McCall;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Mikel Fears and Charles Coleman

Enactment No: R-EN-088-2011

**RES-11:137** RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. RES-11:113 WHICH ESTABLISHED AN INCINERATOR TIPPING FEE FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS

**Sponsors:** Sanitation and Mayor's Office

*Councilman Moore stated it recently was brought to the Mayor's attention that the yard service companies have yearly contracts with their customers, so their contracts have already been set for the rest of the year. This resolution will lower the incinerator rate until the new year in order for the companies to adjust next year's contracts.*

**A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman John Street, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote**

**Aye:** 12 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Tim McCall;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Mikel Fears and Charles Coleman

Enactment No: R-EN-089-2011

*Councilman Vance noted there are drawings up showing the new public works facilities on Dan Avenue. All of the buildings are either currently under contract or will be soon.*

## **10. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*Ms. Sally Broadaway discussed ORD-11:055 concerning new traffic regulations. She asked that the Council reconsider the portions that refer to bicycles because they are redundant since bicycles are included under state law. She explained they are excluded from riding bicycles on areas where you can't drive a car, which would include sidewalks. She expressed concern about the ordinance discouraging bicycling and she doesn't think that's the message the City wants to send to the citizens.*

*Dr. David Matthews also discussed ORD-11:055 and referred to Section 2. He was concerned that the ordinance would prohibit children from roller skating on sidewalks. He then questioned if small children can't roller skate on the sidewalks, then where would they skate? He stated he thinks this ordinance doesn't take children into consideration. He discussed the numbers of pedestrians using the sidewalks and added there are more people on bicycles than walking on sidewalks.*

*Councilman Fears explained the wording is broad, but it will be up to the police officers to decide who to ticket and who not to ticket. Dr. Matthews stated he thinks that portion of the ordinance could be re-worded so parents would not have to worry about with their children.*

*Police Chief Michael Yates explained bicycles, roller blades and roller skates are prohibited by state law from being on sidewalks. He noted everything in the ordinance is prohibited by state law. They haven't changed anything, but they condensed it into*

*a city ordinance which means it's easier to enforce and the penalties may be less. He added the ordinance allows the Police Department to designate "play streets" in which those prohibited activities will be allowed. He further explained the ordinance more narrowly defines vehicles parking on sidewalks, which may slow down emergency vehicles.*

*Parks Employee Larry Jackson stated Pavilion 1 at Craighead Forest is back up. He also thanked the Council for their work with the new public works facilities.*

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman John Street, that this meeting be Adjourned. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.**

**Aye:** 12 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Tim McCall; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods; Mikel Fears and Charles Coleman

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Harold Perrin, Mayor**

**Attest:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Donna Jackson, City Clerk**