



City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes - Draft Public Works Council Committee

Tuesday, January 3, 2012

5:30 PM

Huntington Building

1. Call To Order

Mayor Perrin was also in attendance.

Present 6 - Gene Vance; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

2. Approval of minutes

[MIN-11:102](#)

Minutes for the Public Works Committee meeting on December 6, 2011

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

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

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance; Chris Moore; Mitch Johnson; Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

3. New Business

Election of a chairman

Councilman Chris Moore motioned, seconded by Councilman Darrel Dover, that John Street be the Chairman of the Public Works Committee. All voted aye.

Posted speed limits

Councilman Moore explained last year he brought up the issue of changing the minimum speed limit to 25 mph, but recently the issue was brought to his attention again because of the 20 mph on the ASU overpass. He added the City may not be able to do anything about that part of the road if it belongs to ASU. He noted he believes that the City can do something about the speed limits in the City.

City Engineer Craig Light stated the City had an ordinance previously go before the Council to change the posted limits to 25 mph, but Council asked that the posted speed limits be 30 mph and then it was withdrawn and the ordinance died.

Councilman Moore noted he would be in support of the posted speed limit to be 25 mph because the State sets that as the minimum for the school districts.

Chairman Street stated the previous ordinance wanted to make the un-posted streets 25 mph and that is unacceptable. Councilman Gene Vance explained his objection is

the ordinance would have made the streets 25 mph even if they were posted or not, even though the state law says 30 mph.

Councilman Moore recommended making a minimum of 25 mph on posted streets and if the street is not posted then it will be 30 mph. He then asked if the state will assume that the street is 30 mph if un-posted. Mr. Light answered in his opinion the state law is unclear, but it is 30 mph on a highway.

Discussion was held concerning changing the speed limit within the City and putting up stop signs.

Mr. Light stated the City has an ordinance that requires that all city streets be designed to be 25 mph.

Councilman Moore asked if it would endanger public safety if the minimum on all streets that are lower than 25 mph be made 25 mph. Mr. Light answered yes when compared to 30 mph.

Councilman Moore then asked if any of those streets should be lower than 25 mph. Mr. Light answered it depends on the variables.

Councilman Moore suggested that a recommendation be given at the next meeting. Mayor Perrin stated he will meet with the City Attorney Phillip Crego, City Clerk Donna Jackson and Chairman John Street tomorrow to discuss this.

Resolutions To Be Introduced

RES-11:216

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT FACILITIES FOR BARRINGTON PARK PHASE V, A RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION

Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [image0001](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Darrel Dover, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

RES-11:217

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT FACILITIES FOR 1005 E. LAWSON, A RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY

Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [image0001](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Darrel Dover, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

RES-11:224

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING FREE UTILITY SERVICE AT 9100 FRITO LAY DRIVE AND 9001 C.W. POST ROAD FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO

Sponsors: Engineering

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

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

RES-11:229

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT A PERMANENT DRAINAGE EASEMENT FROM DENNIS MALONE AND DONNA MALONE FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [Permanent Drainage Easement.pdf](#)

Mr. Light explained this resolution and RES-11:230 are for easements for property located off Mays Road. He added the water flows into a field and this easement will allow the City to channelize the water.

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

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

RES-11:230

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT A PERMANENT DRAINAGE EASEMENT FROM ILEANA PATRU AND DANIEL PATRU FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

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A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Darrel Dover, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

4. Pending Items

Colony Park drainage issues

Councilman Darrel Dover asked for an update concerning the drainage issues on Colony Park. Mayor Perrin answered he has met with Mitch Caldwell concerning this and was trying to get the bank to release some funds for this, but they are not in position to release the funds. He added Mr. Caldwell will need to sell more of the property before they will release the funds. He further added Mr. Caldwell would be able to do all the work with the funds when they are released from the bank and then the City would be able to release the two lots.

Councilman Mitch Johnson asked if this information has been passed onto the citizens who live in that neighborhood. Mayor Perrin answered he does not know if the information has been passed on to everyone, but the two people who have talked with him have been told the project will be on hold for awhile.

Councilman Johnson asked that he be updated on this situation. Mayor Perrin stated that he will send a memo out to all the council members tomorrow.

Long-range facilities update

Mr. Light explained the inside of the administration building is coming along, but the City has had a delay in receiving the brick for the outside of the building. He added a walk-through of the warehouse building will be tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. and the fencing is under contract, but the City will have to do some dirt work before the contractor can start the fencing.

Landfill extension from ADEQ

Mayor Perrin stated he met with Roger Lawrence of ADEQ and they gave the City till May 31, 2012, to remove all of the bags and seed the landfill. He further explained the City has been given permission to monitor the gas, which will save \$50,000 a year.

Discussion was held concerning when the gas should be gone from the landfill.

5. Other Business

6. Public Comments

7. Adjournment

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

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman