



City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, December 7, 2010

6:30 PM

Huntington Building

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 11 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Jim Hargis; Chris Moore; Mitch Johnson; Tim McCall; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

Absent 1 - John Street

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

COM-10:130 Proclamation by the Mayor to the Valley View Volleyball Team State Champions

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

COM-10:129 Proclamation by the Mayor to the Nettleton High School Volleyball State Champions

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

COM-10:128 Proclamation by the Mayor for the committee members of the Jonesboro BBQ held November 6, 2010.

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

COM-10:133 Proclamation for EAST project - "Greetings from Home" to support our troops

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

COM-10:126 Proclamation to Bill Pressly, Paul Carter and Jack Turner for the Downtown Jonesboro BBQ Contest

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

Councilman McCall presented the proclamation and stated the success of the event was due to Bill, Jack and Paul's work.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Mitch Johnson, to Approve the Consent Agenda. A motion was made that these files be approved by consent voice vote.

Aye: 9 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Jim Hargis; Chris Moore; Mitch Johnson; Tim McCall; Chris Gibson and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - John Street

Abstain: 2 - Gene Vance and Rennell Woods

MIN-10:108 Minutes for the City Council meeting on November 16, 2010.

This item was PASSED on the consent agenda.

RES-10:152 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE YEAR 15 2011 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE FY 2011 ACTION PLAN AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Sponsors: Community Development

This item was PASSED on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: R-EN-110-2010

6. NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

ORD-10:091 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117, ARTICLE III, OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE, PROVIDING FOR A PLANNED DEVELOPMENT LOCATED AT 2005 HARRISBURG ROAD AS REQUESTED BY HARPS

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

This ordinance was Held at one reading.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING

ORD-10:086 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117, ARTICLE III, OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN ZONING BOUNDARIES FROM R-2 AND R-3 TO C-3 LUO FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1504 STADIUM BLVD AS REQUESTED BY EVERS BROWN

City Clerk Donna Jackson noted there is an amended version of the ordinance.

Councilman Moore motioned, seconded by Councilman Vance, to amend the

ordinance. All voted aye.

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

Aye: 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Tim McCall;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - John Street

Enactment No: O-EN-060-2010

8. MAYOR'S REPORTS

Mayor Perrin reported on the following items:

They met with the Highway Department concerning the \$1.9 million the City is looking to spend in 2011. One of the issues is the overpass on Stadium Boulevard. The City asked if a stoplight could be put at the intersection of Parker Road and Stadium. In order to have a stoplight put at that intersection, the intersection will have to be moved south along Stadium about 300 or 400 feet. They are waiting for an approval or decline.

Mayor Perrin announced LM Duncan is the new Operations Director.

He will be meeting with the bond people to see if it would be feasible to take out some sort of bond issue in order to complete some projects. He will be speaking with Crews & Associates as well as Stephens in order to determine whether they City could do a bond issue.

The grants audit by Freeman & Co. is complete. The exit interview will be held and Finance Chair Ann Williams will be attending.

A city auction will be held this Saturday, December 11th, on Strawfloor.

An open house will be held at City Hall on December 14th from 1-4 p.m. He encouraged the citizens to stop by and visit.

They met with ADEQ this morning. The consent administrative order will need to be extended because the cleanup at the landfill is not complete. The letter of extension has been sent and he will be meeting with city staff tomorrow morning in order to formalize a plan of action.

October O&M revenues exceeded expenses by \$225,000. They will be sending the financial reports to the Council members. Street turnback is above 2009, but general turnback is down. He is still encouraged and thinks the City will come in at less than \$1 million in deficit spending for 2010.

9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Johnson motioned, seconded by Councilman Moore, to suspend the rules and add RES-10:157 to the agenda. All voted aye.

RES-10:157

RESOLUTION TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE ABANDONMENT OF A 20' DRAINAGE EASEMENT IN LOTS 8 & 9 BLOCK A, DEERFIELD SUBDIVISION PHASE III, AS REQUESTED BY JERRY & CAROLE EDGAR.

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

Aye: 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Tim McCall;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - John Street

Enactment No: R-EN-111-2010

Councilman Gibson thanked E-911 Director Bill Pressly for his work in implementing the 911 text messaging system, which made Jonesboro a leader in implementing it.

Councilwoman Williams motioned, seconded by Councilman Moore, to suspend the rules and add ORD-10:090, ORD-10:092, RES-10:154 and RES-10:160 to the agenda. All voted aye.

ORD-10:090

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE (12) MONTHS BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2011, APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Sponsors: Mayor's Office and Finance

Mayor Perrin explained a few changes had to be made, but nothing major. He added there will be a surplus of \$216,009 at the end of the year.

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

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

After adoption of the ordinance, Councilwoman Williams motioned, seconded by Councilman Gibson, 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: 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Tim McCall;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - John Street

Enactment No: O-EN-061-2010

ORD-10:092

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF BEN BARYLSKE AS TREASURER FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

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

Councilman Dover motioned, seconded by Councilman Moore, to suspend the rules

and waive second and third readings. All voted aye.

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

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

Aye: 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Tim McCall;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - John Street

Enactment No: O-EN-062-2010

RES-10:154

A RESOLUTION FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CRAIGHEAD COUNTY JONESBORO PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR PUBLIC SERVICE

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

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

Aye: 11 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Tim McCall;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - John Street

Enactment No: R-EN-112-2010

RES-10:160

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT INSURANCE PROPOSALS FROM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD AND DELTA DENTAL TO PROVIDE INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR CITY EMPLOYEES

Sponsors: Mayor's Office and Human Resources

Mayor Perrin explained the insurance was bid out with Blue Cross Blue Shield and Delta Dental meeting specs. There will be no increase for Blue Cross Blue Shield insurance for 2011.

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

Aye: 10 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - John Street

Abstain: 1 - Tim McCall

Enactment No: R-EN-113-2010

Councilman Hargis stated there are new sidewalks being constructed in the area around the library, but there are some things in the way to getting those sidewalks

fixed. He also asked for someone to look at the stoplight at Nettleton and Church because the light will be red with no traffic moving. He further stated it would be good to put Grants in the 2011 budget so people can see the information. Mayor Perrin agreed, adding there are more grants being applied for now than any other time. He noted the grants audit will also be put on the City's website for citizens to review.

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT

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

Aye: 11 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Jim Hargis; Chris Moore; Mitch Johnson; Tim McCall; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - John Street

_____ **Date:** _____
Harold Perrin, Mayor

Attest:

_____ **Date:** _____
Donna Jackson, City Clerk