



City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Public Safety Council Committee

Tuesday, May 20, 2008

5:15 PM

Huntington Building

1. Call To Order

Present 6 - Chris Moore; Tim McCall; Judy Furr; Mitch Johnson; Harold Perrin and Faye McCall

2. Approval of minutes

[MIN-08:116](#) Minutes for the Public Safety meeting on April 15, 2008.

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilwoman Faye McCall, that this Minutes be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 5 - Tim McCall; Judy Furr; Mitch Johnson; Harold Perrin and Faye McCall

3. New Business

Ordinances To Be Introduced

[ORD-08:034](#) AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE JONESBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT PROPOSED PAY REALIGNMENT PLAN

Sponsors: Fire Department

Attachments: [Jonesboro Fire Department Pay Realignment current to new grade](#)

Fire Chief Aaron Keller stated that in the last few years there has been Captains making the same or less as Supervisors and this Ordinance would have everyone up to scale on pay. Chairman Moore noted the file was unable to be opened in Legistar. Chief Keller stated he has hard copies available.

A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilwoman Judy Furr, that this matter be Recommended to the Finance & Administration Council Committee. The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote.

Aye: 5 - Tim McCall; Judy Furr; Mitch Johnson; Harold Perrin and Faye McCall

[ORD-08:035](#) AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE CITY OF JONESBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT EDUCATIONAL/TRAINING INCENTIVE PLAN

Sponsors: Fire Department

Attachments: [educational-incentive plan](#)

Chairman Moore noted the attachment was also unavailable to be opened. Councilwoman Furr asked for the item to be held because she just got a copy and would like time to review it. Chairman Moore asked for the next meeting to be provided information that would justify the increases. He explained when the Police Department proposed their incentive plan they did it to decrease the turnover. Chief Keller stated the Fire Department doesn't have much turnover; rather, they would like to use it as a recruitment tool. Chairman Moore reiterated he would like a letter stating what the incentive plan would accomplish. He then questioned whether Human Resources had done a survey to compare Jonesboro to other Fire Departments. Chief Keller explained they did one three months ago. Chairman Moore asked for the ordinance to be on the agenda for next month.

This Ordinance was Tabled.

ORD-08:036

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 11.28, FIRE PREVENTION CODE OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, FOR THE PRACTICAL SAFEGUARDING OF PERSONS, BUILDINGS AND THEIR CONTENTS FROM THE DANGERS AND HAZARDS ARISING FROM FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY EMERGENCIES.

Sponsors: Fire Department

Chief Keller stated the ordinance was just housekeeping because the last ordinance needs to be updated.

A motion was made by Councilman Tim McCall, seconded by Councilwoman Judy Furr, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 5 - Tim McCall;Judy Furr;Mitch Johnson;Harold Perrin and Faye McCall

Resolutions To Be Introduced

RES-08:072

A RESOLUTION TO Condemn property at 325 E Cherry

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City Clerk Donna Jackson asked for the condemnations to be put on the agenda not on the consent agenda. Chairperson Moore asked if it is passed onto the full council does it automatically go on the consent agenda. Ms. Jackson stated that it has been but since there are people that want to debate it then it should not be on the consent agenda. She recommended all condemnations not be put on the consent agenda. Chairperson Moore asked when they pass a resolution should it stipulate that it be put on the consent agenda. Ms. Jackson stated no, because you could be in limbo. She explained everything should go on the consent agenda but condemnations.

A motion was made by Councilman Tim McCall, seconded by Councilman Mitch Johnson, that this matter be Recommended Under New Business . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote.

Aye: 5 - Tim McCall;Judy Furr;Mitch Johnson;Harold Perrin and Faye McCall

RES-08:073

A RESOLUTION TO condemn property at 520 N Main

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A motion was made by Councilwoman Judy Furr, seconded by Councilman Tim McCall, that this matter be Recommended Under New Business . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote.

Aye: 5 - Tim McCall;Judy Furr;Mitch Johnson;Harold Perrin and Faye McCall

4. Pending Items

5. Other Business

Fire Station #3

Chief Keller stated that they will do their final walk through on Tuesday or Wednesday for Fire Station 3. He added it will be a few weeks after that before they have an open house.

Bike rally

Chairman Moore asked if there were any problems with the bike rally over the weekend. Police Chief Michael Yates stated that there were no real problems with the bike rally. Chairman Moore explained the downtown association is looking at future events downtown. Chief Yates stated that he would caution that if there are frequent special events it would deplete their ability to man the events properly. He explained he would like to see a special event permit process so that each department would be able to figure out what the cost would be for that event and then send it to the Council for approval. Councilman McCall questioned whether closing a street, such as the closing of Main Street for the bike rally, should go to the Council. Chief Yates stated it should not go to Council because it would be impossible to bring all street closures to Council cause they happen so frequently.

6. Public Comments

7. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilwoman Judy Furr, seconded by Councilwoman Faye McCall, that this be Adjourned. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 5 - Tim McCall;Judy Furr;Mitch Johnson;Harold Perrin and Faye McCall