



City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, July 5, 2011

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 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-11:049](#)

Proclamation by the Mayor to the AAA Jonesboro Diamond Kings

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

Mayor Perrin presented a proclamation to the Diamond Kings baseball team for their state championship win. Appreciation was expressed by the team for the City Council and the City's work on the parks in the City.

This item was Read.

[COM-11:048](#)

Zoning presentation by City Planner Otis Spriggs

Sponsors: Mayor's Office and Planning

Attachments: [Supporting Information](#)

City Planner Otis Spriggs gave an update on what Planning is doing to keep the Land Use Plan up-to-date. He presented the Council with a booklet discussing the recent rezonings and stated they need to go back to the Land Use Map to make changes. He discussed the information. Mayor Perrin added the Land Use Map is going to be updated and will be brought before the Council.

This item was Read.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Charles Coleman, to adopt the consent agenda. The motion passed BY VOICE VOTE.

[MIN-11:054](#) Minutes for the City Council meeting on June 21, 2011.

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

This item was PASSED on the consent agenda.

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

6. NEW BUSINESS

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

[ORD-11:048](#) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN ZONING BOUNDARIES FROM R-1 TO RM-8 LUO FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5306 APT DRIVE AS REQUESTED BY TOBY ALEXANDER AND JACK WHITEHEAD

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

Councilman Street questioned whether there has been any opposition. Mr. Spriggs answered no.

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

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, 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-037-2011

ITEMS THAT HAVE BEEN HELD IN COUNCIL

[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](#)

Mayor Perrin explained the history of this item on previous Council agendas. He noted the ordinance has been read three times. City Attorney Phillip Crego stated the Council now has two options in order to proceed with a vote on the proposed amended ordinance: to have the previous motions withdrawn in order to revert back

to a second reading status or to reconsider the ordinance. Councilman Moore asked to clarify that if the Council denies the ordinance tonight, the Council can then vote at the next meeting to reconsider the ordinance. City Attorney Crego agreed.

Councilman Vance expressed concern over delaying the rezoning further and asked what can be done to allow the Food Bank to present the amended ordinance tonight. City Attorney Crego explained the Council member who made the motion to place it on third reading can withdraw their motion as long as the person who seconded the motion approves. That will allow the ordinance to go back to second reading status. Councilman Moore expressed interest in withdrawing the motions for the second and third readings in order to start back at first reading so the public will have time to review the proposed amended ordinance.

Ms. Christie Jordan, executive director of the Food Bank, stated even though she and City Planner Otis Spriggs have amended the ordinance at the Council's request, further review may need to be done. She asked for input from the Council regarding inclusions and exclusions for the property. She explained they intend to protect the surrounding neighborhood, so they do not want to see anything inappropriate on the property. She added she thinks they are closer to agreement with what the Council wants. Ms. Jordan stated they don't want to restrict the property so much that it would be vacant after they stop utilizing it. She provided the Council copies of the proposed amended ordinance and what will and won't be allowed with the C-4 zoning.

City Clerk Donna Jackson informed the Council that at the June 7th City Council meeting Councilman Frierson made the motion, with Councilman Vance seconding, to place the ordinance on third reading.

Councilman Frierson motioned, seconded by Councilman Vance, to rescind the motion for the third reading. All voted aye, with the exception of Councilman Woods who abstained from voting. Mayor Perrin clarified the ordinance is now back to second reading. City Attorney Crego agreed.

Ms. Jordan then asked the Council for direction regarding the list of exclusions the Council is looking for, so they can adequately address the concerns. Councilman Moore stated he would like the zoning to restrict the property to warehouse only, with no on-site sales. Ms. Jordan agreed with that due to the limited parking. Mr. Spriggs explained they took out anything related to retail. Councilman Moore referred to the list of businesses that would be allowed and reiterated that he did not want to include anything with sales, including retail and daycares. Ms. Jordan added they need to review the ordinance further.

Councilman Johnson stated the zoning need to be narrowed down to very few options, so there are no problems in the future.

Ms. Jordan stated they will review the ordinance again and provide an amended ordinance for the Council's consideration at the next meeting. She then questioned if the amended ordinance will be on the next Council agenda after it is provided to the City Clerk. City Clerk Jackson answered no, but it will be provided to the Council members for them to place on the agenda. She explained the Council will have to vote to amend the ordinance.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman John Street, that this matter be Postponed Temporarily . 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

8. MAYOR'S REPORTS

Mayor Perrin reported on the following items:

He announced Ms. Emma Agnew has been hired to be in the CDBG Department.

The Ivy Green detention pond project should start this week.

He is meeting with Councilwoman Williams tomorrow to work on a timeline for the non-uniform pension plan.

He thanked the Police and Fire Departments for their work at 4th in the Forest. Over 2,700 cars were in attendance during the day.

Legislative Audit is still at the City. He is expecting them to finish their work at the end of the month.

9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Street motioned, seconded by Councilman Moore, to suspend the rules and place RES-11:113, RES-11:112 and ORD-11:051 on the agenda. All voted aye.

Councilman Street questioned why those items were being walked on the agenda tonight. Mayor Perrin stated one of the resolutions and the ordinance will allow the City to start charging to use the incinerator. They will be sending out letters to all of the related businesses to notify them. The other resolution is a sale for property on Nestle Road.

RES-11:112

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO SELL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6600 NESTLE ROAD

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

Attachments: [Offer.pdf](#)
[Survey.pdf](#)
[Warranty Deed.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, 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-076-2011

RES-11:113

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A TIPPING FEE FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO INCINERATOR

Sponsors: Sanitation

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilwoman Ann Williams, 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-077-2011

ORD-11:051

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE JONESBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES, §54-43, KNOWN AS YARD WASTE COLLECTION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING A TIPPING FEE FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO SANITATION INCINERATOR

Sponsors: Sanitation

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

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

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

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, 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-038-2011

Councilwoman Williams motioned, seconded by Councilman Dover, to suspend the rules and place ORD-11:052 and ORD-11:054 on the agenda. All voted aye.

ORD-11:052

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2011 ANNUAL BUDGET AND THE CITY SALARY & ADMINISTRATION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO ADD A CDBG PROJECT COORDINATOR TO THE CDBG DEPARTMENT

Sponsors: Finance, Human Resources and Community Development

Attachments: [CDBG Project Coord - 30809](#)

Councilman Dover 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 passage 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: 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-039-2011

ORD-11:054

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE JONESBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES, § 2-576, KNOWN AS PROCUREMENT OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, BY ADDING THE SERVICE OF A HOUSING NEEDS MARKET ANALYST

Sponsors: Grants and Planning

Attachments: [Jonesboro Arkansas Assessment Proposal JQUAD](#)

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

Mayor Perrin noted there have been several walk-ons tonight. He stated while he does not like to walk things on, they had several items that needed to be taken care of. He explained professional services does not address housing studies. They approached the Housing and Health Care Facilities Board to pay for a housing study for the whole City. The ordinance is needed in order to accept the money from the Board to pay for the study. He added the Board will be meeting later this week, which is why the ordinance is being walked on tonight.

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

After passage of the ordinance, Councilwoman Williams 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-040-2011

Councilman Moore discussed the walk-ons. He noted there were no items under New Business, but five walk-ons were added to the agenda. He stated the number needs to come down. Mayor Perrin agreed.

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Parks Employee Larry Jackson discussed the meaning of the 4th of July holiday. He then discussed the 4th in the Forest celebration. He stated it was a wonderful show and thanked the reserve officers, Sanitation employees and other employees who were in attendance and volunteered. Mayor Perrin also discussed Craighead Forest and the improvements at the park.

11. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilman Gene Vance, seconded by Councilman Charles Coleman, that this meeting be Adjourned . 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

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

Attest:

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