



City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, October 20, 2015

5:30 PM

Municipal Center

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING AT 5:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR PERRIN AT 5:30 P.M.

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2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

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3. ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK DONNA JACKSON

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Present 8 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent 4 - Chris Moore; John Street; Tim McCall and Rennell Woods

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

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5. CONSENT AGENDA

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Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilwoman Ann Williams, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motioned PASSED

Aye: 8 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent: 4 - Chris Moore; John Street; Tim McCall and Rennell Woods

MIN-15:093

Minutes for the City Council meeting on October 5, 2015

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Attachments: [Minutes](#)

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

RES-15:146

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH GILLIS, INC. FOR THE CROWLEY'S RIDGE PARKWAY: CRAIGHEAD FOREST PARK TRAIL - PHASE I (JOB NO. 100821) - 2015:31

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Sponsors: Grants, Parks & Recreation and Engineering

Attachments: [Bid Tab](#)
[Contract Documents 2015 31](#)

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

Enactment No: R-EN-137-2015

RES-15:152

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS AUTHORIZING A SETTLEMENT ON THE JIMMY ASHLEY VS. CITY OF JONESBORO LAWSUIT

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Sponsors: Mayor's Office

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

Enactment No: R-EN-138-2015

RES-15:156

RESOLUTION TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES AS RECOMMENDED BY MAYOR PERRIN

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Sponsors: Mayor's Office

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

Enactment No: R-EN-139-2015

6. NEW BUSINESS

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ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

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ORD-15:054

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO AMEND THE 2015 ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY FOR THE OPERATIONAL CONTINUITY OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS

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Sponsors: Police Department

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

Councilman Dover asked if this position was already budgeted for. Mayor Perrin answered no, this is a new position for the community outreach and the citizens police academy. Police Chief Rick Elliott explained they are creating a new position called the community outreach position. The position will be the coordinator for the citizen's police academy as well as other community outreach programs. There is currently someone doing this, but is also assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division. That person will assume the full-time duties of community outreach.

Councilman Dover asked if this person is already on staff. Police Chief Elliott answered yes, this will just be an internal move. They would like to make the change as soon as possible.

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

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

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

Aye: 8 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent: 4 - Chris Moore;John Street;Tim McCall and Rennell Woods

Enactment No: O-EN-045-2015

ORD-15:056

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN ZONING BOUNDARIES FROM R-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO I-1 INDUSTRIAL FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2401 DAN AVE. AS REQUESTED BY CITY WATER & LIGHT AND THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS.

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Attachments: [TRACT A PLAT](#)
[TRACT B PLAT](#)
[Site Building Schematic Drawings](#)
[MAPC Report](#)

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

Councilman Frierson abstained from discussion and voting due to being an attorney for City Water & Light.

A motion was made by Councilman Gene Vance, seconded by Councilman Charles Coleman, that this matter be Placed on second reading . The motion FAILED due to the lack of two-thirds of the City Council voting aye.

Aye: 7 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent: 4 - Chris Moore;John Street;Tim McCall and Rennell Woods

Abstain: 1 - Charles Frierson

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING

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ORD-15:039

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE STREET IMPROVEMENT DRAINAGE PROGRAM MANUAL AND CREATE ADDITIONAL STREET SPECIFICATIONS

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Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [DI-6](#)
[DI-7](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Darrel Dover, seconded by Councilman Gene Vance, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 8 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent: 4 - Chris Moore;John Street;Tim McCall and Rennell Woods

Enactment No: O-EN-046-2015

ORD-15:051

AN ORDINANCE TO WAIVE COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH RITTER COMMUNICATIONS TO RENEW OUR SERVICES AND PROVIDE FIBER CONNECTIVITY FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO

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Sponsors: Information Systems

Attachments: [Quote COJ Services Renewal.PDF](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilman Chris Gibson, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 8 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent: 4 - Chris Moore;John Street;Tim McCall and Rennell Woods

Enactment No: O-EN-047-2015

8. MAYOR'S REPORTS

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Mayor Perrin reported on the following items:

Councilman Coleman received the Roy Jolly Award from the Jonesboro Chamber of Commerce recently. He congratulated Councilman Coleman.

The Caraway Road bridge has all three lanes open now.

The study concerning Johnson Avenue has been sent to the Highway Department. They are expecting a minute order in December for safety money to put in crosswalks at three of the five intersections on Johnson Avenue to help slow traffic down.

Also on the minute order for December is the bridge behind Turtle Creek Mall paid for with the trail grant. The bridge is being fully paid for by the Highway Department.

The transfer station will open this Friday, October 23rd with the grand opening at 11:00 a.m. It is located at the intersection of Matthews and Caraway.

They have spoken with the warden about having prisoners help clean out ditches two to three days per week.

The Fairview Association held their cleanup last weekend. They picked up 8.4 tons of garbage. He thanked the Sanitation Department and everyone else who helped with the project.

COM-15:065

Municipal Airport Commission financial statement for September 30, 2015

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Sponsors: Municipal Airport Commission

Attachments: [Financial statement](#)

This item was Filed.

9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

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Councilman Johnson noted copies of the revised property maintenance code were presented to the Council members at the meeting tonight. There will be a special called Public Safety Committee meeting on Tuesday, October 27th, at 5:00 p.m. to decide whether or not the code will be forwarded on to Council.

Councilman Burton congratulated Councilman Coleman for his award.

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Eugene Holloway, 408 N. Marshall, discussed the property maintenance code. He explained there are three main points he wanted to make. He asked the Council to find answers in their heart when the time comes to make their vote. He asked they utilize compassion and examine both sides of the issue. He noted citizens do not live outside their homes; rather, they live inside them. Lastly, he asked for them to have

faith in the proper application of the code. Mr. Holloway asked that the public be fully informed about the right of entry since that is what people are asking for clarification about.

11. ADJOURNMENT

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A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilman Darrel Dover, that this meeting be Adjourned . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 8 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent: 4 - Chris Moore;John Street;Tim McCall and Rennell Woods

_____ **Date:** _____

Harold Perrin, Mayor

Attest:

_____ **Date:** _____

Donna Jackson, City Clerk