

City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes - Draft Public Safety Council Committee

Tuesday, September 20, 2011

5:30 PM

Huntington Building

1. Call To Order

Mayor Perrin was also in attendance. Councilman Chris Moore presided over the meeting in the absence of Chairman Johnson.

Present 4 - Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Chris Moore and Mikel Fears

Absent 1 - Mitch Johnson

2. Approval of minutes

MIN-11:061 Minutes for the Public Safety Committee meeting on July 19, 2011

Attachments: Minutes

A motion was made by Councilman Mikel Fears, seconded by Councilman Chris Gibson, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Chris Moore and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - Mitch Johnson

3. New Business

Ordinances To Be Introduced

ORD-11:065

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE JONESBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE II, SECTION 6-47 (e) CHANGING THE APPEAL PROCESS AFTER A DECISION IS RENDERED BY THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE ON AN ALCOHOL PERMIT VIOLATION.

Sponsors: Mayor's Office and Police Department

Councilman Chris Moore stated the change in this ordinance would have the appeal process go from the Public Safety Committee straight to the Circuit Court instead of the full Council.

Councilman Mikel Fears asked if the decision would still be appealed to the Public Safety Committee. Police Chief Michael Yates answered the Public Safety Committee's decision is what would be appealed and appealing it to Council would be cut out of the process. He added he spoke to a lawyer and their advice was to leave the Council out of the appeal process due to the members of the Public Safety Committee who made the decision also being members of the Council.

Councilman Fears asked if the hearings would still be brought to the Public Safety Committee. Chief Yates answered the first hearing would be a fact finding hearing and once the committee made their decision then the committee would be done with it. Councilman Moore noted if the City determines there is a problem it can still bring the issue to the Public Safety Committee. Mayor Perrin explained he thinks it would be best to send it directly to court.

Discussion was held concerning appeals going to court.

Chief Yates stated he would not bring anything to the committee for a decision that would not pass in Circuit Court. He added this ordinance will streamline the process and work a lot better.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman Gene Vance, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Ave: 4 - Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Chris Moore and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - Mitch Johnson

4. Pending Items

COM-11:061 Mosquito control update by Vector Disease Control for June, 2011.

Attachments: Mosquito control update for June, 2011

This item was Read.

COM-11:076 Mosquito control update by Vector Disease Control for August, 2011.

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>Mosquito control update</u>

Mr. Jim Starks with Vector Disease Control explained it has been a unusual season because the mosquitoes came so late in the year, but they are at the end of mosquito season.

Councilman Moore asked if Vector is spraying at the fair. Mr. Starks answered yes and they are also spraying at the ballgames for the high schools & ASU and also at the tournaments at the Southside ballpark.

Councilman Mikel Fears commended Vector Disease Control for their efforts in combating the mosquitoes.

Mayor Perrin asked if there were any flyovers. Mr. Stark answered they had five flyovers for the entire year. He added they had 144 spray requests for August, which was a little higher than normal. Mayor Perrin explained the City has had different events that have increased the work load for Vector, which could have affected the total spray requests.

Councilman Fears asked when Vector's contract ends. Mayor Perrin answered it ends this year and the contract is out for bid. Mr. Starks stated he will place a bid for mosquito control.

This item was Read.

5. Other Business

6. Public Comments

7. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilman Mikel Fears, seconded by Councilman Chris Gibson, that this meeting be Adjourned. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Chris Moore and Mikel Fears

Absent: 1 - Mitch Johnson