

City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center 300 S. Church Street Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Public Works Council Committee

Tuesday, July 7, 2015 5:00 PM Municipal Center

1. Call To Order

2. Roll Call

Councilman Moore arrived at 5:03 p.m.

Mayor Perrin was also in attendance.

Present 6 - Gene Vance; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Darrel Dover and

Charles Coleman

Absent 1 - Ann Williams

3. Approval of minutes

MIN-15:057 Minutes for the Public Works Committee meeting on June 2, 2015

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>Minutes</u>

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

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance; Mitch Johnson; Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

Absent: 2 - Chris Moore and Ann Williams

Minutes for the special called Public Works Committee meeting on June 16, 2015

Attachments: Minutes

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

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance; Mitch Johnson; Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

Absent: 2 - Chris Moore and Ann Williams

4. New Business

Ordinances To Be Introduced

ORD-15:033

AN ORDINANCE DETERMINING THAT THE COST OF ACQUIRING SHIELDED LIGHTING FIXTURES IS PROHIBITIVE

Sponsors: Engineering

Traffic Engineer Mark Nichols explained the existing act requires shielding on light fixtures. Most of the light fixtures in the city are non-shielded. Shielded lighting requires more fixtures on the roadway because one shielded fixture puts off less light than the non-shielded fixtures. Shielded lighting has no up light and only directs light downward. Mr. Nichols further explained the law does allow for cities to declare shielded lighting to be cost prohibitive and continue using non-shielded lighting. He added when they do the lighting for the roundabout they will be able to reduce the number of poles, fixtures, foundations, wiring, etc., by going with non-shielded fixtures.

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

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance; Mitch Johnson; Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

Absent: 2 - Chris Moore and Ann Williams

Resolutions To Be Introduced

RES-15:091

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO FISHER & ARNOLD, INC. TO PERFORM PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

Sponsors: Engineering

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>Scope of Engineering Services</u>

Project List

Mayor Perrin explained Engineering has been looking at infrastructure projects for about the last two years that amount to over \$200 million. Fisher & Arnold will look at the projects, make a cost estimate for the projects as well as options for cash flow and how the projects can be paid for. They will also work with the city to hold public hearings if the city has to hold any.

Councilman Dover stated this is in preparation for potentially asking the voters for a tax to complete the projects. Mayor Perrin answered yes.

Councilman Moore asked why this item needs to be walked on to the Council agenda tonight rather than be placed on the next agenda. Mayor Perrin stated this work needs to be done before a special election can be held. Even if this ordinance is passed tonight he thinks it'll be at least September before they can proceed with starting the process for a special election.

A motion was made by Councilman Darrel Dover, seconded by Councilman Mitch Johnson, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance; Chris Moore; Mitch Johnson; Darrel Dover and Charles

Coleman

Absent: 1 - Ann Williams

RES-15:099

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY TO AND ACCEPTANCE OF REAL PROPERTY FROM JONESBORO CITY WATER AND LIGHT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A SITE FOR A FIRING RANGE

<u>Sponsors:</u> Engineering

Attachments: Property Swap Letter of Intent

Appraisal Dan Ave
Appraisal East St

Exhibit A
Exhibit B

Mayor Perrin explained the current firing range is located in Craighead Forest Park. But, with the construction of homes in that area they have been looking at relocating the firing range. They propose a land swap with City Water & Light. The city will trade a portion of the parking lot next to the Municipal Center to CWL for 25 acres CWL owns that is located next to the city's Public Works facility on Dan Avenue.

Mayor Perrin discussed the proposed firing range. He noted the city will need to rezone the property to I-1. He also added they anticipate using the property for concealed weapon courses. There will be no exchange of cash, so the exchange will not cost the city anything.

Councilman Moore asked if the firing range will be open to the public on certain days. Police Chief Rick Elliott answered yes, they will open the firing range to the public at certain times because there is a need for the general public to participate in shooting sports. They are also looking at putting a skeet range and trap range on the property. They hope to have the shooting portion open by spring and the buildings open as the budget allows. Police Chief Elliott noted several shooting clubs and other companies have already spoken with him about donating to the project.

Mayor Perrin added he will be meeting with the Game & Fish Commission to see if the city can get some funding to help finance the project. Councilman Moore noted the Game & Fish Commission was supposed to open a firing range in Black Rock, but couldn't due to financial concerns. So, they may want to partner with the city on the project.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Darrel Dover, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance; Chris Moore; Mitch Johnson; Darrel Dover and Charles

Coleman

Absent: 1 - Ann Williams

RES-15:101

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO TRANSFER FEDERAL-AID MONIES

Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: AHTD Job 100790

100790 100% Cost Estimate

Engineer Explaination

Chairman Street noted the roundabout project is being bid out on July 22nd. Mayor Perrin explained there is about \$1 million in the Race Street project that they will use on the roundabout project in anticipation of a shutdown on the federal trust fund, then the city will be reimbursed that money later as the funds come from the federal

highway.

A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance; Chris Moore; Mitch Johnson; Darrel Dover and Charles

Coleman

Absent: 1 - Ann Williams

5. Pending Items

6. Other Business

7. Public Comments

8. Adjournment

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

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance; Chris Moore; Mitch Johnson; Darrel Dover and Charles

Coleman

Absent: 1 - Ann Williams