



# City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe  
Jonesboro, AR 72401

## Meeting Minutes City Council

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Tuesday, July 6, 2010

6:30 PM

Huntington Building

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### 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** 11 - Darrel Dover; Charles Frierson; Jim Hargis; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Tim McCall; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

**Absent** 1 - Ann Williams

#### 4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

##### Distinguished Service Award presented to Larry Jackson

*Mayor Perrin presented a Mayor's Citation for Distinguished Service to City employee Larry Jackson for his contributions to the City. He commended Mr. Jackson for his work at Craighead Forest Park and his 30 years of service.*

#### 5. CONSENT AGENDA

##### *Approval of the Consent Agenda*

**A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Chris Gibson, to Approve the Consent Agenda. A motion was made that these files be approved by consent voice vote**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover; Charles Frierson; Jim Hargis; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Tim McCall; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

**Absent:** 1 - Ann Williams

**MIN-10:060** Minutes for the City Council meeting on June 15, 2010.

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

**RES-10:072** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS,

CERTIFYING LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENDORSEMENT OF BUSINESS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TAX BACK PROGRAM (AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 15-4-2706(d) OF THE CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE ACT OF 2003).

**Sponsors:** Mayor's Office

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

Enactment No: R-EN-063-2010

## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

### *ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING*

**ORD-10:026** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TITLE OF JONESBORO CITY ORDINANCE SEC. 66-227

**Sponsors:** Police Department

*Councilman Street 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.*

*Councilman Moore motioned, seconded by Councilman Gibson, to adopt the emergency clause. All voted aye.*

**A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman John Street, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover; Charles Frierson; Jim Hargis; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Tim McCall; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

**Absent:** 1 - Ann Williams

Enactment No: O-EN-037-2010

**ORD-10:051** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NUMBER O-EN-026-2010 (FILE NUMBER ORD-10:041) FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE ACCOUNT NUMBER AND THE IDENTIFICATION OF FUND AND FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE

**Sponsors:** Information Systems

*Mayor Perrin explained the next three ordinances are cleanup due to the wrong line item number being on previously adopted ordinances.*

*Councilman Moore 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.*

*Councilman Frierson motioned, seconded by Councilman Moore, to adopt the emergency clause. All voted aye.*

**A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Darrel Dover, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED by a unanimous**

**vote**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover; Charles Frierson; Jim Hargis; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Tim McCall; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

**Absent:** 1 - Ann Williams

Enactment No: O-EN-038-2010

**ORD-10:052**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NUMBER O-EN-027-2010 (FILE NUMBER ORD-10:042) FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE ACCOUNT NUMBER AND THE IDENTIFICATION OF FUND AND FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE

**Sponsors:** Information Systems

*Councilman Street 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.*

*Councilman Moore motioned, seconded by Councilman Gibson, 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:** 11 - Darrel Dover; Charles Frierson; Jim Hargis; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Tim McCall; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

**Absent:** 1 - Ann Williams

Enactment No: O-EN-039-2010

**ORD-10:053**

AN ORDINANCE TO AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NUMBER O-EN-028-2010 (FILE NUMBER ORD-10:043) FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE ACCOUNT NUMBER AND THE IDENTIFICATION OF FUND AND FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE

**Sponsors:** Information Systems

*Councilman Moore offered the ordinance for first reading by title only.*

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

*Councilman Street 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:** 11 - Darrel Dover; Charles Frierson; Jim Hargis; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Tim McCall; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

**Absent:** 1 - Ann Williams

Enactment No: O-EN-040-2010

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS****ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING**

**ORD-10:058** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 14 KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CHANGE IN ZONING BOUNDARIES FROM R-1 TO C-3 LUO FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1702 GREENSBORO ROAD AS REQUESTED BY LARRY AND BARBARA CAROL MCHALFFEY AND CHARLES HARRIS

*Councilman Street questioned whether there has been any opposition to the rezoning. City Planner Otis Spriggs answered no.*

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

**A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover; Charles Frierson; Jim Hargis; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Tim McCall; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

**Absent:** 1 - Ann Williams

Enactment No: O-EN-041-2010

**8. MAYOR'S REPORTS**

*Mayor Perrin reported on the following items:*

*Within the next week or two, work will begin to correct some loop signalization problems.*

*Flashing light solar panels are being put up with Safe Routes to Schools grant money. Currently, they're working on installing the lights at Fox Meadow.*

*He received Executive Minutes from the Highway Department that reflected \$1.9 million was appropriated to the City for improvements to the bypass clover leafs. He has a meeting scheduled on July 20th to meet with Dan Flowers. He explained this gives the City opportunities to fix the three overpasses at Stadium, Caraway and Southwest Drive.*

*He commended Fire Chief Leonard Jadrich for working out a deal regarding business inspections, as reported recently in the Jonesboro Sun. The deal will save time and money, but not short-change the citizens.*

*The City and County will be meeting on July 26th regarding items that will be brought before Council. One of the items is the radio updates, which will allow them to have a backup in case the AWIN radios go down.*

*A letter was sent to Principal Financial and a meeting was held with the retirees that will be affected by the City moving funds from Principal to Stephens. They will be asking Principal for an answer to their letter and may be moving forward with litigation. He added they have received 33 of the letters, with only 3 or 4 wanting to*

keep their funds with Principal. Councilman Hargis questioned whether the retirees could be paid by the City instead of through the retirement funds while the transfer is being done. Mayor Perrin answered no, the retirees have to be paid out of a qualified trust. Further discussion was held concerning the transfer of funds.

**COM-10:067** June, 2010, financial reports

**Sponsors:** Finance

He will be sending the financial reports to the Council in the morning. On the expense side, including Capital Improvements, the City is \$3.9 million under budget. He noted that is just for the first six months and there will be items coming up that will affect that amount. He added on the revenue side the City is approximately \$97,000 under budget with the O&M Fund, with total revenue being down \$77,779.

**This item was Read.**

## **9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

Councilman Street announced the incinerator is working and they have burned about 500 tons of debris. Mayor Perrin added they will be having an official unveiling in mid-September. Councilman Moore questioned whether the incinerator is running the way the company stated it would. Councilman Street stated there are some clay balls, but that could be due to the debris sitting for so long. He added the incinerator is burning 8 hours a day. Discussion was held concerning the incinerator.

Councilman Gibson questioned if anything is being done concerning the homemade signage on Caraway Road. Mr. Spriggs stated the main violator has corrected the problem, but they are still looking at others.

Councilman Moore noted the traffic at the intersection of Matthews and Kitchen now backs up to the light at Washington and Kitchen due to the Washington detour from the overpass project. He questioned whether someone is needed to direct traffic in the mornings or if different signage can be used. Mayor Perrin stated they are looking at detouring traffic differently or possibly moving the light on Washington temporarily in order to coordinate the traffic.

## **10. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Larry Jackson commended the East Arkansas Broadcasters for the 4th in the Forest celebration. He discussed the celebration. He noted it was a smaller crowd and only one campsite was left. He added that was the first time the park didn't fill up on the 4th of the July.

Ms. Delores Baker, 4111 Green Meadow Lane, explained there was a small drainage ditch beside her house but the City dug the ditch out and now the ground is soft. She expressed concern about losing part of her yard to the ditch and asked for the City to correct the work. She added after the work was completed an inspector looked at the work and stated the ditch would drain well, but the ditch does not drain. She stated her yard is holding water now even after small rains. Mayor Perrin stated they will have someone from Engineering look at the problem.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

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

**Vote.**

**Aye:** 11 - Darrel Dover; Charles Frierson; Jim Hargis; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Tim McCall; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

**Absent:** 1 - Ann Williams

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Harold Perrin, Mayor**

**Attest:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Donna Jackson, City Clerk**