



City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Finance & Administration Council Committee

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

4:00 PM

Municipal Center, 300 S. Church

1. Call To Order

2. Roll Call by City Clerk April Leggett

Mayor Harold Copenhaver was in attendance

Present 7 - Charles Coleman; Ann Williams; John Street; David McClain; LJ Bryant; Joe Hafner and Brian Emison

3. Approval of minutes

[MIN-21:013](#)

Minutes for the Finance Committee meeting on February 9, 2021.

Attachments: [MINUTES](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson John Street, seconded by Councilperson Ann Williams, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 6 - Charles Coleman; Ann Williams; John Street; David McClain; LJ Bryant and Brian Emison

4. New Business

RESOLUTIONS TO BE INTRODUCED

[RES-21:023](#)

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1907 IRBY, JONESBORO, AR 72401, PARCEL 01-144223-08200, OWNED BY ROBERT, AGNES, & GREGORY COWLES

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

Attachments: [1907 Irby-Cowles](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson John Street, seconded by Councilperson Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 6 - Charles Coleman; Ann Williams; John Street; David McClain; LJ Bryant and Brian Emison

[RES-21:034](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH OLYMPUS CONSTRUCTION, INC. TO CONSTRUCT THE VETERANS' VILLAGE COMMUNITY CENTER PROJECT (2021:01)

Sponsors: Grants, Community Development and Engineering

Attachments: [Bid Tabulation - Certified](#)
[Contract - Verterans' Village Community Center](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson John Street, seconded by Councilperson Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 6 - Charles Coleman;Ann Williams;John Street;David McClain;LJ Bryant and Brian Emison

[RES-21:035](#) RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TO ALLOCATE FUNDING THROUGH THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) ACT

Sponsors: Grants and Finance

Attachments: [No Attachments Provided](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson John Street, seconded by Councilperson Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 6 - Charles Coleman;Ann Williams;John Street;David McClain;LJ Bryant and Brian Emison

[RES-21:036](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS GRANTS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR THE 2021 AMERICORPS VISTA PROGRAM GRANT

Sponsors: Community Development, Grants and Finance

A motion was made by Councilperson John Street, seconded by Councilperson Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 6 - Charles Coleman;Ann Williams;John Street;David McClain;LJ Bryant and Brian Emison

[RES-21:037](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ACCEPT THE AWARD FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ADMINISTRATION (FEMA) THROUGH THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (ADEM) FOR THE JONESBORO ACQUISITION AND DEMOLITION PROJECT AND AMEND THE 2021 BUDGET

Sponsors: Grants, Finance and Engineering

Attachments: [02.23.2021 FEMA Jonesboro Award Letter DR-4441-0017](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson John Street, seconded by Councilperson Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion

PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 6 - Charles Coleman;Ann Williams;John Street;David McClain;LJ Bryant and Brian Emison

5. Pending Items

6. Other Business

Chairman Joe Hafner said, "I think you all each received an email from Chief Administrative Office Brian Richardson with RES-21:038, that they are asking to be walked on. Would someone like to make a motion to that affect?" Councilmember John Street responded, "I move that we suspend the rules and walk on RES-21:038 to today's agenda." Councilmember L.J. Bryant seconded that motion. Chairman Joe Hafner asked that if everyone was in favor to please say Aye. The Councilmembers were all in agreeance and voted Aye.

Mayor Harold Copenhaver commented, "I would just like to remind council, members and staff of visitation this Friday, February 26, 2021 of one of our employees, Sanitation Director, Donny Gibson at Emerson Funeral Home from 1pm to 3pm and then a service following at 3pm. I just wanted to remind you, we have been in constant contact with the family and their prayers and generosity has been much appreciated by what the community and the city staff and all employees have provided to that family in this time. I just wanted to pass that along." Chairman Joe Hafner responded, "I appreciate that. I have known Donny Gibson for a long time, since I was about 6 or 7 years old so I really hated to see that and you know especially with Councilmember Chris Gibson. You won't find a much better person then Donny Gibson so a big loss for everybody."

[RES-21:038](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION OFFICE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND ACCEPT THE COMPREHENSIVE OPIOID ABUSE PROGRAM AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000

Sponsors: Police Department and Grants

Attachments: [No Attachments Provided](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson John Street, seconded by Councilperson Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 6 - Charles Coleman;Ann Williams;John Street;David McClain;LJ Bryant and Brian Emison

7. Public Comments

8. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilperson LJ Bryant, seconded by Councilperson Brian Emison, that this meeting be Adjourned . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 6 - Charles Coleman; Ann Williams; John Street; David McClain; LJ Bryant and Brian Emison