



City of Jonesboro

Meeting Minutes

City Council

900 West Monroe
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Tuesday, August 21, 2007

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

Public Safety Committee meeting at 5:15 p.m.

1. Call to order by the Mayor at 6:30 P.M.

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

3. Roll Call by the City Clerk

Present 11 - Judy Furr;Darrel Dover;Faye McCall;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Cecil Province;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson and Tim McCall
Absent 1 - Harold Perrin

4. Special Presentations

5. Consent Agenda

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilperson Tim McCall, seconded by Councilperson Chris Moore, to Approve the Consent Agenda with the exceptions of the following file numbers: RES-07:213, RES-07:216, RES-07:527. The motion was later amended to include file number RES-07:2376. The motion carried.

Aye: 11 - Judy Furr;Darrel Dover;Faye McCall;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Cecil Province;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson and Tim McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

MIN-07:1674 Minutes for the August 7, 2007, City Council meeting.

Attachments: [080707](#)
[OppositionMaterial](#)
[JulyAugConstReport](#)
[AugLegalReport](#)

This matter was Passed on the consent agenda.

RES-07:183 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2008 ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND TOURISM'S OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT PROGRAM

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

This matter was Passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: R-EN-093-2007

RES-07:208

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING FREE UTILITIES FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO MOBILE OFFICE LOCATED AT THE TEMPORARY ADDRESS 2012 VALLEY DRIVE ADJACENT TO THE VALLEY VIEW CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sponsors: Engineering

This matter was Passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: R-EN-094-2007

RES-07:213

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO UTILIZE FEDERAL AID MONEYS TO CONSTRUCT THE TURTLE CREEK GREENWAY

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Parks Director Jason Wilkie discussed the Greenway Project. He stated there has been some concern expressed relating to the Allen Park area. He explained the greenway will not be lighted because it's expensive and because they did not want to add a perception of safety. He added there are portions of the greenway they could look at lighting due to nearby light poles. He stated they are hoping to connect the greenway to ASU as quickly as possible so the students can use the greenway. Councilman Hargis questioned whether any surveillance would be done on the greenway between the mall and Allen Park. Mr. Wilkie stated Police Chief Yates indicated they cannot do much more than what they are currently doing without adding additional staff. He noted he and Mayor Formon have discussed the police motorcycles periodically driving down the greenway to provide some presence. Councilwoman Furr questioned whether the advisory committee spoke with the homeowners who will be living adjacent to the greenway. Mr. Wilkie stated the advisory committee did not speak with homeowners in the area. Councilwoman Furr then questioned if there are a lot of homeowners in that area who would be affected by the greenway. Mr. Wilkie stated this particular area would have the least amount of homeowners adjacent to the greenway. Councilwoman Furr asked whether they planned on having some sort of public hearing so people can discuss the greenway, particularly the residents who will be living adjacent to it. Mr. Wilkie stated he didn't have a problem with going to the Fairview Addition area and having a public meeting to discuss the greenway.

A motion was made by Councilperson Chris Moore, seconded by Councilperson Ann Williams, that this Resolution be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Enactment No: R-EN-097-2007

RES-07:216

A RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING WITH NETTLETON PUBLIC SCHOOLS REGARDING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TURTLE CREEK GREENWAY SPUR

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Memorendum of Understanding Nettleton Public Schools \(2\)](#)
[Nettleton School Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Chris Moore, seconded by Councilperson Ann Williams, that this Resolution be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Enactment No: R-EN-098-2007

RES-07:527 A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT CONVEYANCE OF ONE LOT AND TWO HOUSES ON HIGHLAND DRIVE FROM THE TURTLE CREEK PARTNERS

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [TURTLE CREEK PARTNERS](#)
[Wise Title Commitment w legal](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Chris Moore, seconded by Councilperson Charles Frierson, that this Resolution be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Enactment No: R-EN-099-2007

RES-07:1018 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 107 FLINT STREET

Sponsors: Public Works

Attachments: [Exhibit A--Lease for 107 Flint](#)
[FlintLease](#)

This matter was Passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: R-EN-095-2007

RES-07:2375 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS APPROVING THE CONTRACT FOR THE ALLEN PARK LIGHTING PROJECT FROM ADVANCE ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. UNDER THE CDBG PROGRAM

Sponsors: Community Development and Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Allen Park Lighting Project](#)
[Council Communications-Aug 10, 2007](#)

This matter was Passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: R-EN-096-2007

RES-07:2376 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS APPROVING THE CONTRACT FOR THE GREENWAY PROJECT (NETTLETON SCHOOL/ALLEN PARK) FROM ALVIN CRABTREE CONSTRUCTION UNDER THE CDBG PROGRAM

Sponsors: Community Development and Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Council Communications--Aug 10, 2007](#)
[Greenway Project](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Chris Moore, seconded by Councilperson Ann Williams, that this Resolution be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Enactment No: R-EN-100-2007

6. New Business

Ordinances on First Reading

[ORD-07:3083](#) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 14, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN ZONING BOUNDARIES LOCATED ON JOHNSON AVENUE AS REQUESTED BY CI DEVELOPMENT, LLC

Attachments: [Plats](#)
[ZoningApplication](#)
[ASULetter](#)
[MAPCReport](#)

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

Held at one reading

7. Unfinished Business

8. Mayor's Reports

Main Street pond update

Mr. Wilkie stated they have drained the pond. He added the coy fish are currently in a pond in the Clopton Clinic. He explained they are preparing a scope of work to make the pond constructed better for public use. He noted the some downtown merchants have offered to help find private donors. Councilman McCall stated he thought the City was not involved with the pond. He added he has been told some money was given by the City to help with the pond. Mr. Wilkie stated he did not know about that. Councilman Province stated he was on a Parking Committee that rejected the proposal for the pond. He explained he was told there was a state grant that became available for \$5,000 to help build the pond. Mayor Formon and Mr. Wilkie stated they did not know of any grants that became available for the pond. Councilman Province stated he thinks the grant became available not long after Mayor Formon came in office and the grant included other things like lighting. Mr. Wilkie stated it's their goal to get private donations and to make it require less maintenance.

Willows Apartments update

Public Works Erick Woodruff discussed the emergency condemnation at the Willows. He explained the owner has been notified and will be given 30 to bring the buildings in question up to code or the complete condemnation process will start. He noted the owner is a resident of Colorado. He further explained there were 5 families and they assisted in helping find them places to live. Councilman Province questioned how the buildings got so bad before something was done. Police Chief Yates stated the condemnation ordinance has been changed to allow the City to condemn more properties. Mayor Formon stated the owner had indicated to him in June that he would send the Mayor's Office a letter detailing what improvements would be made, but the letter had not been received. Councilman Moore stated they will be having a walk-through inspection of the remaining buildings on Friday which might affect up to 48 renters.

9. City Council Reports

Councilman Dover stated the Finance Committee meeting will be meeting on Thursday at 4:00 p.m.

Councilman McCall asked for someone to contact the state concerning mowing Airport and Aggie Roads. Mayor Formon stated he would work on that.

10. Public Comment

11. Adjournment.

_____ Date: _____
Doug Formon, Mayor

_____ Date: _____
Donna Jackson, City Clerk