



City of Jonesboro

Meeting Minutes

Public Safety Council Committee

900 West Monroe
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Tuesday, July 17, 2007

5:15 PM

Huntington Building

1. Call To Order

Mayor Formon and Mr. Tony Thomas from the Mayor's Office were in attendance.

Present 5 - Chris Moore; Judy Furr; Tim McCall; Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent 1 - Harold Perrin

2. Approval of minutes

MIN-07:350 Minutes for the June 19, 2007, Public Safety meeting.

Attachments: [061907](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Tim McCall, seconded by Councilperson Mitch Johnson, that this Minutes be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr; Tim McCall; Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

3. New Business

Ordinances To Be Introduced

ORD-07:153 AN ORDINANCE TO WAIVE COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND AUTHORIZE MO-ARK COMMUNICATIONS TO RELOCATE MOTOROLA REPEATERS, CONTROLLERS, AND ANTENNAS FROM 1624 STRAWFLOOR TO 2920 MCCLELLAN DRIVE FOR THE E-911 COMMUNICATIONS CENTER.

Sponsors: E911

A motion was made by Councilperson Judy Furr, seconded by Councilperson Mitch Johnson, that this Ordinance be Recommended to the Finance & Administration Council Committee. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr; Tim McCall; Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

Resolutions To Be Introduced

RES-07:175 A RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH STERLING SOLUTIONS

Sponsors: Police Department

Attachments: [PSA for Jonesboro rev 2 0](#)

Police Chief Michael Yates stated Sterling would give them guidance to solve their problems with CAD and other equipment. He added he has the money in the budget to pay for the contract. It was noted the contract was not to exceed \$2,500. Councilwoman Furr questioned when Sterling would be able to come to Jonesboro. Chief Yates stated he will have to re-schedule a time with the company, but he's hoping Jonesboro can be placed at the top of their list.

A motion was made by Councilperson Tim McCall, seconded by Councilperson Judy Furr, that this Resolution be Recommended to the City Council. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr; Tim McCall; Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

RES-07:240 A RESOLUTION TO Condemn property at 820 Warner Street

Sponsors: Code Enforcement

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Code Enforcement Officer Ronnie Shaver stated the homeowners purchased a permit in December of 2006 in order to fix the property up. He added nothing has been done to the property since then and he recommended condemning the property.

A motion was made by Councilperson Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilperson Tim McCall, that this Resolution be Recommended to the City Council. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr; Tim McCall; Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

4. Pending Items

Clarke Mosquito July, 2007, monthly report

Chairman Moore read a prepared statement. He expressed concern over the mosquito problem not being solved and that just last night a baseball game had to be called after the third inning due to the mosquitoes. Mr. Larry Erickson gave a presentation concerning Clarke Mosquito's services for the City. He asked the City to give them until the end of October to get control over the mosquito problem and if the City is still not happy with their services they will terminate the contract and the City will not owe Clarke any money for November or December. Councilman McCall questioned what has been done concerning larvacide. Mr. Erickson stated they did a number of acres inside and adjacent to the City. He added they focused their effort on the adult mosquitoes on a nightly basis. Chairman Moore stated he doesn't think the mosquitoes are under control and added the City of Jonesboro should not be a learning curve for Clarke. Councilwoman Furr stated she does not have a mosquito problem at her house like she has in past year. She added she is paying an outside company to spray her yard. She further explained her

grandchildren who live by Bridger Creek cannot go outside after dark due to the mosquitoes in that area. She noted the City could help the mosquito problems by taking care of things like cleaning out Bridger Creek. She expressed concern over bringing another company in during the middle of the season. She added the decision to go with Clarke was not due to money, rather at the time it seemed like a better idea to go with Clarke over the other companies that presented bids. She further discussed her concerns over changing contracts and the City being compared to cities such as Paragould. Discussion was then held concerning whether the City should wait until the end of the year to decide whether Clarke is getting the job done and whether to end the contract. Mayor Formon recommended canceling the contract with Clarke and contracting with Vector. He explained he has received 300 to 400 calls since June 26th concerning mosquito control. He stated he has already been meeting with Vector and they have indicated they can start work within 48 hours of the contract being signed. City Attorney Phillip Crego explained the City could accept a contract with Vector because they were the second lowest bidder. He also stated there was a health concern due to illnesses that could be caused by mosquitoes. Councilwoman McCall also expressed concern over canceling the contract, but stated she would go with whatever the citizens wanted her to do. She added the citizens also need to take responsibility to help control mosquitoes on their property. Councilman Johnson motioned, seconded by Councilwoman McCall, to cancel the contract with Clarke Mosquito. Councilman McCall and Councilwoman Furr voted nay. The motion passed due to the aye vote by Chairman Moore.

5. Other Business

Police Committee meeting in August

Councilwoman Furr stated there will be a meeting of the Police Committee on August 9 at 5 p.m. in the Police training room. She stated the meeting will be to discuss the certificate pay issue with the Police Department. She added all Council members are welcome to attend.

6. Public Comments

7. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilperson Judy Furr, seconded by Councilperson Tim McCall, that this meeting be Adjourned. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr; Tim McCall; Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin