



City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes - Draft Public Services Council Committee

Monday, September 10, 2012

4:00 PM

Huntington Building

1. Call To Order

Mayor Perrin was also in attendance.

Present 3 - Charles Frierson; Ann Williams and Chris Gibson

Absent 2 - Rennell Woods and Tim McCall

2. Approval of minutes

MIN-12:063 Minutes for the Public Services Committee meeting on August 13, 2012

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Charles Frierson, seconded by Councilwoman Ann Williams, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 2 - Charles Frierson and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Rennell Woods and Tim McCall

3. New Business

Resolutions To Be Introduced

RES-12:145 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH BARRE LANDSCAPE CONSTRUCTION AND THE CITY OF JONESBORO

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Contract with Barre Landscape](#)
[Bid Barre Construction Lewellen Playground](#)
[barre cert of insurance](#)

Assistant Parks Director Wixson Huffstetler explained this resolution is for playground equipment for Lewellen Park. He noted this project will be funded with CDBG funds.

Chairman Chris Gibson asked if this will affect the budget. Mr. Huffstetler answered no.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ann Williams, seconded by Councilman Charles Frierson, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 2 - Charles Frierson and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Rennell Woods and Tim McCall

RES-12:146 A RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT WITH WINGS TO GO FOR SPONSORSHIP OF A OUTFIELD SIGN AT SOUTHSIDE SOFTBALL COMPLEX

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Wings to Go](#)

Mayor Perrin stated the amount of the contract is for \$300 per year for 3 years. He then asked how many signs need to be sold at Joe Mack Campbell Park. Mr. Huffstetler answered four.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ann Williams, seconded by Councilman Charles Frierson, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 2 - Charles Frierson and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Rennell Woods and Tim McCall

RES-12:149 RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHWEST CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

Attachments: [Southwest Church of Christ Lease](#)

Mayor Perrin explained this is for the wooded property next to the old YMCA building . He added this will be no cost to the City and the City will be allowed to put a concrete pad down along with some picnic tables for citizens to use.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ann Williams, seconded by Councilman Charles Frierson, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 2 - Charles Frierson and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Rennell Woods and Tim McCall

RES-12:158 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH FISHER & ARNOLD, INC. TO PERFORM PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [jonesboro campbell park revised](#)

Mr. Huffstetler stated Fisher & Arnold will redo the Master Plan to include 225 new parking spaces.

A motion was made by Councilman Charles Frierson, seconded by Councilwoman Ann Williams, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 2 - Charles Frierson and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Rennell Woods and Tim McCall

RES-12:160 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH BRACKETT KRENNERICH ARCHITECTS FOR THE EARL BELL SHOWER AND BATHROOM RENOVATIONS FOR DISASTER RELIEF PREPAREDNESS

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Brackett Krennerich Contract Earl Bell Ike Grant](#)

Mayor Perrin noted this project will be funded with CDBG funds.

Chairman Gibson asked if this would affect the budget. Mayor Perrin answered no.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ann Williams, seconded by Councilman Charles Frierson, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 2 - Charles Frierson and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Rennell Woods and Tim McCall

4. Pending Items

5. Other Business

Rotary Park

Councilman Charles Frierson asked if the damage done at Rotary Park was covered by insurance. Mr. Huffstetler answered the only damage he knows of at the park was a wind chime game. He noted the City has ordered a new game.

Smoking at Craighead Forest Park & the City Cemetery

Mayor Perrin explained the areas around the splash pad and playground equipment at Craighead Forest Park will be no smoking. He noted the smoking area will be at the pavilion across from that area. Mr. Huffstetler stated he bought "No smoking within 50 feet" signs and cigarette butt containers for this area.

Councilwoman Ann Williams asked about the area around the City Cemetery on Matthews Avenue where the staff and patients of St. Bernards smoke. Mr. Huffstetler explained his workers pick up the cigarette butts every morning in that area.

Councilwoman Williams then asked if the City could make that area no smoking . Mr. Huffstetler answered that is up to the City to decide because it is City property.

Discussion was held concerning what other solutions could fix the problem.

Concession stand at Southside Ballpark

Mr. Huffstetler explained the company is putting the metal siding on the second story of the concession stand today. He added the inside does not have sheetrock because the beams were not done right and need to be fixed. He noted the project

was suppose to be done by September 3, but they hope to have the concession stand done by Halloween.

Mayor Perrin stated the City will hold the company to the penalty of \$150 a day for not being done by the deadline.

Discussion was held concerning the number of kids playing in the various sports offered by the City.

Harvest Cup sponsorship

Mr. Huffstetler noted Riceland will be the sponsor for the Harvest Cup in October. He added the cost of the sponsorship is \$2,500.

JETS Transit Development plans

JETS Director Steve Ewart explained the Community Advisory Board is in the process of finalizing the Transit Development plans, which will be presented to the Mayor on September 26.

Councilman Frierson asked if a consultant helped with this plan. Mr. Ewart answered the only consultants were City employees.

Buses for the Red Wolves football game

Mr. Ewart stated JETS ran four buses for the Red Wolves football game on Saturday night. He added they receive a lot of interest from senior citizens about taking the bus to the games.

JETS Route 35

Mr. Ewart explained that Route 35 is running beyond capacity, because it is the route that takes citizens to work. He added the ridership for this route had as many riders as the other 2 routes combined for the whole month. He noted in a few years they will need a larger bus for this route.

Buses for the NEA Fair

Mayor Perrin stated the fairgrounds will need to have a backup plan when it rains because all of the parking will not be done in time for the fair. He added the City will need to work with ASU on allowing citizens to park there so they can be bused to the fairgrounds.

Mr. Ewart explained Mr. Jerry Reece with the NEA Fair wanted a fixed route that could be run all day while the fair is in town. He added he told Mr. Reece the City does not have the ability to accommodate that kind of route, but the City will help out as much as possible.

Miracle League

Mr. Huffstetler noted the City had their first meeting last week with all the contractors.

Discussion was held concerning what companies will be able to help out with this project.

Mayor Perrin stated the City is hoping to have all the matching funds by the end of the year for this project.

6. Public Comments

7. Adjournment

With no further business, Chairman Gibson adjourned the meeting.