



City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes City Council

Monday, December 29, 2014

12:00 PM

Municipal Center

Special Called Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR PERRIN AT 12:00 P.M.

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2. ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK DONNA JACKSON

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Present 8 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent 4 - Charles Frierson; Chris Moore; Tim McCall and Rennell Woods

3. NEW BUSINESS

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RESOLUTIONS TO BE INTRODUCED

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RES-14:230

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH SENATOR TOM COTTON TO UTILIZE OFFICE SPACE IN THE MUNICIPAL CENTER

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Sponsors: Finance

Attachments: [Lease](#)

Mayor Perrin explained this Senator Cotton's office space will be located on the third floor. It's just one office suite and is the same monthly amount as Senator Boozman's lease. He added they are expecting Senator Cotton's staff to start moving in as soon as possible.

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Charles Coleman, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 8 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent: 4 - Charles Frierson; Chris Moore; Tim McCall and Rennell Woods

Enactment No: R-EN-195-2014

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

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ORD-14:074

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE (12) MONTHS BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2015, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015, APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR, ADOPTION OF THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE FOR THE EFFICIENT OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT, AND FOR THE FINANCIAL CONTINUITY OF 2015, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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Sponsors: Finance

Attachments: [2015 Budget](#)
[Presentation of the 2015 budget](#)

After the second reading was held, Councilman Dover motioned, seconded by Councilman Vance, to suspend the rules and waive the second reading. All voted aye.

Councilman Vance stated the Council has had possession of the budget for over a month and it was recommended for approval by the Finance Committee. He asked Chief Financial Officer Ben Barylske to explain why it's important for a city the size of Jonesboro to adopt a budget by the beginning of the new year. Mr. Barylske explained it is important to approve the budget in order to get everything ready for payroll purposes. He added the law does allow for cities to wait until January 31st to approve a budget, but that is usually during times of a new mayor, clerk or council in order to review what the prior administration approved.

After adoption of the ordinance, Councilman Johnson motioned, seconded by Councilman Dover to adopt the emergency clause. All voted aye.

Mayor Perrin thanked the department heads and the Finance Department for their work with the new budget. He noted if anyone has questions during the year they can contact him or Mr. Barylske so their questions can be answered.

A motion was made by Councilman Darrel Dover, seconded by Councilman Gene Vance, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 8 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent: 4 - Charles Frierson; Chris Moore; Tim McCall and Rennell Woods

Enactment No: O-EN-070-2014

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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6. ADJOURNMENT

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A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilman Darrel Dover, that this meeting be Adjourned . The motion PASSED with the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent: 4 - Charles Frierson;Chris Moore;Tim McCall and Rennell Woods

_____ **Date:** _____

Harold Perrin, Mayor

Attest:

_____ **Date:** _____

Donna Jackson, City Clerk