

City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center 300 S. Church Street Jonesboro. AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Public Safety Council Committee

Tuesday, April 21, 2015 5:00 PM Municipal Center

1. Call To Order

2. Roll Call by City Clerk Donna Jackson

Mayor Perrin was also in attendance.

Present 4 - Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Chris Moore and Mitch Johnson

Absent 1 - Todd Burton

3. Approval of minutes

MIN-15:032 Minutes for the Public Safety Committee meeting on March 17, 2015

Attachments: Minutes

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Gene Vance; Chris Gibson and Chris Moore

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

4. New Business

Ordinances To Be Introduced

ORD-15:019

ORDINANCE TO WAIVE COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND AUTHORIZE THE LEASE OF AT&T'S VESTA/PALLAS SYSTEM FOR THE E-911 DEPARTMENT

Sponsors: E911

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>Special Service Arrangement Application</u>

Mayor Perrin explained this is an upgrade that is done every three to five years. The money is collected through the cell phone usage, so the city shouldn't be out any funds.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Chris Gibson, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Gene Vance; Chris Gibson and Chris Moore

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

Resolutions To Be Introduced

RES-15:056

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS to condemn property at 409 N Fisher t. Owner Paul D Gambill (Deceased) Hier Joshua Gambill.

Sponsors: Code Enforcement

Attachments: County Data 409

Inspection report (2)

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409 Fisher Case File

Code Enforcement Officer Ronnie Shaver stated the person who owns the property is deceased and the son lives in Louisiana. The son has no interest in the property.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this matter be Recommended Under New Business . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Gene Vance; Chris Gibson and Chris Moore

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

RES-15:057

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS to condemn property located at 700 Cate, owner Samuel A. Rosse III.

Sponsors: Code Enforcement

Attachments: County Data Rosse

Home Ice inspection report

Home Ice case file

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Mr. Tyner stated this is the old Home Ice building and is in a pretty bad state. Mr. Rossee is currently incarcerated, so Mr. Tyner has been dealing with Mr. Rossee's power of attorney. No one will accept the notice of violation. He had a structural engineer inspect the property and it was determined the property was in need of demolition.

Councilman Moore asked if the condemnation will include the house next door. Mr. Tyner answered no, it is just for the old ice plant. The house next door is owned by Mr. Rossee as well, but it is a separate parcel. They were not able to access the inside of the house, but from the outside appearance it looks to be structurally sound.

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A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman Gene Vance, that this matter be Recommended Under New Business . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Gene Vance; Chris Gibson and Chris Moore

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

RES-15:058

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS to condemn property located at 517 & 517 1/2 W. Matthews, Owner: Antunette Bynum Gordon, Minnie Walls (deceased); heirs: Adrienne Bynum, Briana Mitchell, Brian Mitchell, and Brittany Mitchell.

Sponsors: Code Enforcement

<u>Attachments:</u> 517 W. Matthews inspection report

County Data Gordon

517 W. Matthews case file

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Councilman Gibson asked if there was anything out of the ordinary with this condemnation. Code Enforcement Officer Mike Tyner answered no, the house is falling apart and is dilapidated. Property owner Antunette Gordon received the initial notice, but no contact has been made since. The heirs are not interested in the property.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this matter be Recommended Under New Business . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Gene Vance; Chris Gibson and Chris Moore

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

RES-15:059

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS to condemn property at 1918 N. Culberhouse #5 & #19, Owner: Derek and Erika Foyt.

Sponsors: Code Enforcement

Attachments: Foyt inspection report

County Data Foyt

<u>1918 N. Culberhouse #5</u> 1918 N. Culberhouse #19

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Mr. Tyner explained this is a trailer park on North Culberhouse. These two trailers were damaged in a storm. The property owner, Mr. Foyt, received his notice of violation and received service, but has not obtained any permits and was even given a stop work order by a building official for working without permits.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this matter be Recommended Under New Business . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Gene Vance; Chris Gibson and Chris Moore

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

5. Pending Items

6. Other Business

COM-15:020

Discussion concerning the sex offender registration position in the Police Department

Police Chief Rick Elliott explained they accepted applications, did interviews and have selected an applicant that will be suitable for the position. They selected Mr. Tony Williams, a retired Paragould Police Department Lieutenant. Mr. Williams dealt with sex offenders during his tenure at the Paragould Police Department, so he has a working knowledge these types of situations. They expect Mr. Williams to start work on May 1st.

Councilman Moore asked if Mr. Williams will keep his certification in case he's needed in another aspect. Chief Elliott answered no, because Mr. Williams is retired. They could bring him into the department if needed, but a large part of this position is administrative. If Mr. Williams does have to go out into the public to perform his work he will have an officer accompany him. Chief Elliott stated he thinks Mr. Williams will be a big asset to the department since they will not have to do as much training since he's already familiar with procedures.

Councilman Vance then questioned whether an officer's slot was eliminated when the sex offender registration position was taken over by a civilian. Chief Elliott answered yes because the officer was handling a lot of duties, which is why they decided to add a civilian position to take care of sex offender registration so the officer could be freed up to perform official duties.

Councilman Moore asked if it was the Mayor's recommendation to hire Mr. Williams. Mayor Perrin answered yes.

Councilman Moore motioned, seconded by Councilman Vance, to affirm the decision to hire Mr. Williams. All voted aye.

7. Public Comments

8. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Gibson, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this meeting be Adjourned . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Gene Vance; Chris Gibson and Chris Moore

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton