



City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, February 2, 2016

5:30 PM

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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AT 5:00 P.M.

FINANCE COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING AT 5:15 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR PERRIN AT 5:30 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

3. ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK DONNA JACKSON

Present 9 - Darrel Dover; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods; Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent 2 - Ann Williams and Charles Frierson

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

COM-16:009

Proclamation/Presentation by Mayor Perrin to Coach Blake Anderson and ASU Football Team

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

Mayor Perrin presented the proclamation and a Key to the City to Coach Anderson. Coach Anderson presented three of the team's seniors and commended them for their work.

This item was Read.

COM-16:010

Proclamation/Presentation by Mayor Perrin to Tim McCall

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

Mayor Perrin presented the proclamation and a Key to the City to Tim McCall.

This item was Read.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman

John Street, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motioned PASSED

Aye: 9 - Darrel Dover;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Charles Frierson

MIN-16:009

Minutes for the City Council meeting on January 19, 2016

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

This item was APPROVED on the consent agenda.

RES-15:180

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH RAVE MOBILE SAFETY FOR A RAVE PANIC BUTTON SYSTEM AT THE MUNICIPAL CENTER

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

Attachments: [Jonesboro-AR_MLSA\(CLEAN\)_2015-12-17](#)
[Jonesboro-AR_ORDERFORM_v.2_2015-12-17_PanicButton](#)

This item was APPROVED on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: R-EN-006-2016

RES-16:003

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH RELATIVITY, INC. FOR COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCH SOFTWARE FOR JONESBORO EMERGENCY SERVICES

Sponsors: E911

Attachments: [Agreement](#)

This item was APPROVED on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: R-EN-007-2016

RES-16:004

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH NORTHEAST ARKANSAS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR FUNDING OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.

Sponsors: Finance

Attachments: [NAIDC Contract 2016](#)

This item was APPROVED on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: R-EN-008-2016

RES-16:012

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL THE VACANCY FOR ALDERMAN WARD 6 POSITION 1

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

This item was APPROVED on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: R-EN-009-2016

6. NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

ORD-16:010

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117, ARTICLE III, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN ZONING BOUNDARIES FROM R-1 TO C-3 LUO FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3008 ROOK ROAD AS REQUESTED BY THE ROOK FAMILY

Attachments: [Plat](#)
 [MAPC Report](#)

Councilman Street offered the ordinance for first reading by title only.

Councilman Dover asked if there was any opposition to the rezoning. City Planner Otis Spriggs answered no.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Darrel Dover, to Waive Second Reading. The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 9 - Darrel Dover;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Charles Frierson

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING

ORD-16:001

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN ZONING BOUNDARIES FROM R-1 TO RM-8 LUO FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1110 BELT STREET AS REQUESTED BY MARQUE MEALING

Attachments: [Plat](#)
 [Minor Plat](#)
 [MAPC Report](#)

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

Aye: 9 - Darrel Dover;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Charles Frierson

Enactment No: O-EN-006-2016

ORD-16:005

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN ZONING BOUNDARIES FROM R-2 TO PD-RM FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE END OF DENA JO DRIVE, WEST

OF BEKAH DRIVE AS REQUESTED BY PDW PROPERTIES, LLC

Attachments: [Plat](#)
[MAPC Report](#)

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

Aye: 8 - Darrel Dover;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods and Charles Coleman

Nay: 1 - Todd Burton

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Charles Frierson

Enactment No: O-EN-007-2016

ORD-16:006

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN ZONING BOUNDARIES FROM R-1 TO C-3 LUO FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4908 & 4910 E. HIGHLAND AVENUE AS REQUESTED BY BOBBY & ZACH GILLIAM

Attachments: [Plat](#)
[MAPC Report](#)

Councilman Moore clarified that this is the hydraulic shop on Highland that wishes to construct a building to work out of. Mayor Perrin agreed.

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

Aye: 9 - Darrel Dover;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Charles Frierson

Enactment No: O-EN-008-2016

8. MAYOR'S REPORTS

Mayor Perrin reported on the following items:

Building permits for January were \$1,414,000 for commercial and \$2,700,000 for residential. There were 12 online permits for January. More people are applying for permits online.

Next week he, Chief Financial Officer Suzanne Allen and Grants Administrator Kimberly Marshall will be in Washington, D.C. to visit with at least six agencies to discuss grants, existing and new. They will also be meeting with Matt Sagely, the city's grants consultant, and all of the congressional delegation.

He introduced Dewayne Douglas, the new human resources director.

He will be giving the State of the City Address at the next meeting.

Last Friday, he and Police Chief Rick Elliott took part in a documentary about why kids commit crimes. It will be airing on KAIT in the future.

The contract has been awarded for the Parker Road project, extending Parker to

Washington Avenue. The pre-con meeting will be as soon as possible to sign the contract. The contractor that won the contract is the same contractor working on the Highway 226 project.

Parks Director Wixson Huffstetler announced at their weekly meeting that 970 children signed up for City Stars Basketball.

The new City & Town Magazine features the Jonesboro Police Department's new training program. He thought it was a great article.

They met with the railroad companies and the Highway Department. They are still on schedule to bid out the Highway 18 overpass project. The Highway Department passed a minute order last month to start looking at the 15 railroad crossing for possible upgrades. Hopefully they'll get started on that before summer. There will be signalization put in at the railroad crossing on Henson Road, to be paid for by the Highway Department due to the fatalities and number of accidents.

Councilman Moore asked if there was a projected timeline for the Parker Road extension project. Mayor Perrin explained he hasn't seen the number of days in the contract. They project it'll be early 2017 before the road is completed. But, due to the nearby location of the contractor they are hoping to have the project done in late 2016.

9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Dover motioned, seconded by Councilman Street, to suspend the rules and place ORD-16:009 on the agenda. All voted aye.

ORD-16:009

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A GENERAL REVENUE PROMISSORY NOTE (MIRACLE LEAGUE PARK PROJECT REFUNDING), SERIES 2016; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE NOTE; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

Attachments: [2016-1-26 Note](#)

Councilman Dover offered the ordinance for first reading by title only.

Councilman Street motioned, seconded by Councilman Dover, to suspend the rules and waive the second and third readings. All voted aye.

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

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

Aye: 9 - Darrel Dover;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Charles Frierson

Enactment No: O-EN-009-2016

Councilman Dover informed the Council that the Longevity Committee is working diligently on their recommendations. An ordinance should be taken to the Finance Committee next week and be presented to the Council at the following regular meeting. Mayor Perrin noted the Finance Committee will be meeting next Tuesday at 4:00 p.m.

Councilman Woods stated he attended the regional workforce board meeting recently. It was a great meeting. They mentioned the training program. The meeting for this month is postponed in hopes that people will attend the P20 town hall meeting at the end of the month.

Councilman Moore asked for an update concerning the 411 Union property. They are doing a title search and should have that back before February 16th. They are moving forward with the condemnation. Councilman Moore then asked about the old ice plant. Assistant City Attorney Jessica Coleman explained they are in the process of filing a motion concerning the property and hope to have an answer back soon. Councilman Moore questioned the status of the Citizens Bank Building. Mayor Perrin stated the owner of the land beneath the building have agreed to sell the property, so they are going to start contacting the other owners about selling. He clarified the State is in ownership of the building. Mayor Perrin agreed.

Councilman Moore then asked about the Dean Tyrer lawsuit. Mayor Perrin noted there will be an ordinance on the agenda for the next Council meeting. Councilman Vance added the Council has to do something by March 8th. Councilman Moore then questioned whether the issue should be taken care of in one night. Mayor Perrin explained there will be a lot of discussion since the facts have to be presented and questions have to be answered. Assistant City Attorney Coleman noted the Council has set out things that should be discussed in those types of situations, so those items need to be discussed. Councilman Moore asked for that information be sent out to the Council this week. He would like to know exactly what needs to be discussed. Councilman Burton asked if that's why the rezoning signs are back on the property. City Planner Spriggs answered yes.

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT

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

Aye: 9 - Darrel Dover;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods;Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Charles Frierson

_____ Date: _____

Harold Perrin, Mayor

Attest:

_____ Date: _____

Donna Jackson, City Clerk