



# City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center  
300 S. Church Street  
Jonesboro, AR 72401

## Meeting Minutes Nominating and Rules Committee

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Tuesday, January 21, 2020

4:30 PM

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### SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

#### 1. Call To Order

#### 2. Roll Call by City Clerk Donna Jackson

*Mayor Harold Perrin was in attendance.*

**Present** 5 - David McClain; Joe Hafner; LJ Bryant; Mitch Johnson and John Street

**Absent** 1 - Bobby Long

#### 3. Approval of minutes

[MIN-20:003](#)

Minutes for the Nominating and Rules Committee Meeting on January 7, 2020

**Attachments:** [Minutes](#)

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

**Aye:** 4 - Joe Hafner; LJ Bryant; Mitch Johnson and John Street

**Absent:** 1 - Bobby Long

#### 4. New Business

#### *RESOLUTIONS TO BE INTRODUCED*

[RES-19:217](#)

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AS RECOMMENDED BY MAYOR HAROLD PERRIN

**A motion was made by Councilperson John Street, seconded by Councilperson Joe Hafner, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.**

**Aye:** 4 - Joe Hafner; LJ Bryant; Mitch Johnson and John Street

**Absent:** 1 - Bobby Long

**5. Pending Items****6. Other Business**[COM-19:086](#)

2020 City Council Committee Membership Selection

**Attachments:**     [N&R Selection Process for Council Committee Members](#)  
                          [Council Committees 2019](#)  
                          [Committee Preferences 2020](#)

*Chairman David McClain said, we have the appointments to the different committees for the 2020 year. As you can see within the attachments we have, we had everyone submitted their information. I think Gene may have not. I think everyone wanted to stay on the assigned committees they have had. The only ones that would need to change would be adding Chris Gibson and Charles Frierson to the Public Safety Committee. I think they are on here, but they have not been on there previously. Councilmember John Street motioned, seconded by Joe Hafner, to approve the Council Committee list as presented. Councilmember Hafner said, I do have a question. Since Mr. Vance isn't on this sheet, do we need to amend the sheet to add him to the committees he is currently on? It could have been for the ones we preferred to be on, but if he didn't submit anything, does that mean he is still on the committees? I just don't want that to be an issue since we went through this process. Chairman McClain said, right. Mayor Harold Perrin said, I thought Mr. Chairman said that basically everybody was going to stay on the same committee with the exception of. Am I correct on that? Frierson wanted to go to Public Safety. Chairman McClain said, and Chris Gibson. Mayor Perrin said, that would mean that all members now or last year would be on the same committees that they are on or will be on in 2020. Is that what I am hearing? Chairman McClain said, yes. Mayor Perrin said, I have to make a copy of this. I carry a copy of this with me all of the time. Councilmember Hafner said, I thought the motion was to make this as it was submitted and since he is not on here. Chairman McClain said, are you saying, make an amendment? Just make an amendment then. City Attorney Carol Duncan said, just make a motion to make the two changes that you requested and leave everything else. Chairman McClain said, this is reflected in this document that we have, the preferences. The preferences, the changes are made. However, Mr. Vance's, his were not included, that's it. Ms. Duncan said, I thought at the last council meeting you all said if you want to stay where you are, you didn't need to submit anything. I thought that is what you all said. Chairman McClain said, okay. Councilmember Mitch Johnson said, the last minutes reflected that he would recommend us submitting either way although it doesn't matter. Ms. Duncan said, I know. I thought at one point, I heard on this end of it, they said, so if we want to stay where we are, we don't need to turn anything in. So, I would just... Chairman McClain said, leave it as is. Ms. Duncan said, I would make a motion to make your two changes and that everyone else remains on the committees that they are currently on if it is only two changes. Chairman McClain said, okay. Councilmember Street said, if you will amend the second, I will amend the main motion to reflect that. Chairman McClain said, okay, alright. Ms. Duncan asked, is that good enough April? Councilmember Hafner asked, do we need to clarify the changes and the motion? Ms. Duncan said, yeah. It is the changes. Councilmember John Street said, I will make a new motion that we adopt the committees to reflect a change for Mr. Chris Gibson and Mr. Charles Frierson being put on Public Safety and the remainder of the councilmembers will stay on their reflective committees from last year. Ms.*

*Duncan said, that is good. Chairman McClain said, perfect. Councilmember Hafner said, I just want to review one thing before I second it. Chairman McClain said, okay. Which one are you on? Councilmember Hafner said, I am looking, I couldn't, okay, I will second that. I just wanted to make sure of one thing before I...*

*Chairman David McClain said, I have a motion and a second to forward to full council. All present voted aye.*

*Mayor Perrin asked, are you going to walk it on or are you going to wait until the first of February before this becomes official? The motion was to forward to full council.*

*Chairman McClain said, yes. Mayor Perrin said, but if you all are going to start meeting on this, you made some changes on these committees. Again, you have already made the motion and the second and voted on it. Chairman McClain said, I guess we would have to reconsider adjourning. City Attorney Carol Duncan said, you would have to reconsider adjourning and then reconsider your motion. Chairman McClain said, okay. Councilmember Street asked, can you do that? Chairman McClain said, yeah. Mayor Perrin said, if that is ok, then that is fine. Ms. Duncan said, I think the committees stay as they are. I don't know if the one that Chris Gibson and Charles Frierson are moving to is coming up in the next five minutes. Councilmember Johnson said, in about fifteen minutes. Mayor Perrin said, we can notify, well, the Clerk would notify those who will make a change if you do have a committee meeting, then she can include them in it. It would be a lot easier to do that I guess than to do the other. Ms. Duncan said, I would say they could just come. Mayor Perrin said, it will be under the Consent Agenda the next time. Deputy City Clerk April Leggett said, well, it wasn't presented as a resolution. It was just a communication file. Mayor Perrin said, oh, okay. Chairman McClain asked, can you say that again? Ms. Leggett said, it wasn't officially put as a resolution. It was just a communication file to discuss. Chairman McClain said, okay, alright, perfect. Ms. Duncan asked, do we normally vote on that? Do we on the nominations of the rules and nominating committee, we don't normally vote on it? I don't remember. Councilmember Street said, if someone doesn't like it, they can appeal to the council. Ms. Duncan said, so it doesn't have to go on the council agenda. So, you are good. Chairman McClain said, the only thing would be RES-19:217. Are you in a rush for that? Mayor Perrin said, no. Chairman McClain said, okay, perfect. We stand adjourned.*

**Read**

## **7. Public Comments**

## **8. Adjournment**

**A motion was made by Councilperson Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilperson John Street, that this meeting be Adjourned . The motion PASSED with the following vote.**

**Aye:** 4 - Joe Hafner;LJ Bryant;Mitch Johnson and John Street

**Absent:** 1 - Bobby Long