



City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, December 2, 2008

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

FINANCE COMMITTEE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING AT 4:00 P.M.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AT 5:15 P.M.

1. Call to order by the Mayor at 6:30 P.M.

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

3. Roll Call by the City Clerk

Present 12 - Judy Furr; Darrel Dover; Faye McCall; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Cecil Province; Jim Hargis; Chris Moore; Harold Perrin; John Street; Mitch Johnson and Tim McCall

4. Special Presentations

Presentation by City Clerk Donna Jackson

On behalf of the City Council, City Clerk Donna Jackson presented Councilwoman Faye McCall, Councilwoman Judy Furr, Mayor Doug Formon, Councilman Harold Perrin and Councilman Cecil Province with awards for their work and years of service on the City Council. She stated she has enjoyed working with each of them and thanked them for their contributions to the City of Jonesboro.

5. Consent Agenda

Approval of the Consent Agenda

MIN-08:235 Minutes for the City Council meeting on November 18, 2008.

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman John Street, to Approve the Consent Agenda. A motion was made that this file would be approved by consent voice vote.

Aye: 12 - Judy Furr; Darrel Dover; Faye McCall; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Cecil Province; Jim Hargis; Chris Moore; Harold Perrin; John Street; Mitch Johnson and Tim McCall

6. New Business

Resolutions To Be Introduced

RES-08:222 RESOLUTION TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE ABANDONMENT OF A 30 FOOT ROAD EASEMENT LOCATED NORTH OF ARKANSAS HIGHWAY 49B (JOHNSON AVENUE) AS REQUESTED BY JAMES CARR AND WILLIS GRAY

Attachments: [Plat](#)
[Petitions](#)
[Utility Letters](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Harold Perrin, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 12 - Judy Furr;Darrel Dover;Faye McCall;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Cecil Province;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;Harold Perrin;John Street;Mitch Johnson and Tim McCall

Enactment No: R-EN-152-2008

7. Unfinished Business

Ordinances on Second Reading

ORD-08:099 AN ORDINANCE TO REPEALING ORDINANCE 3641 AND ADOPTING BY REFERENCE A CERTAIN TECHNICAL CODE ENTITLED THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS AND THE STORMWATER DRAINAGE DESIGN MANUAL

Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [Stormwater Drainage Design Manual - Final](#)
[Stormwater Board Minutes 102308](#)

This Ordinance was Held at second reading.

8. Mayor's Reports

COM-08:163 Financial Reports update (Budget Adjustment Clean-up Ord, Budget Report thru OCT-08, Budget Transaction Summary, Statement of Revenue Exp & Changes in FB-OCTOBER-HJ-11-19-08)

Attachments: [Budget Adjustment Clean-up Ord](#)
[Budget Report thru OCT-08](#)
[Budget Transaction Summary](#)
[Stmt of Rev Exp & Changes in FB-OCTOBER-HJ-11-19-08](#)

This item was Read.

Mayor Formon stated he will not be present at the Council meeting on December 16. He thanked everyone for their work during his term. He added a special thank you to the family of former Operations Director Brian Wadley.

He explained due to the election of a new mayor, the budget for 2009 is still being worked on. He further explained Mayor-election Harold Perrin is taking part in the budget making process. He also added yesterday the minimum threshold for the non-uniform pension plan was reached, so the City will have to send Principal Financial \$14,000 to cover the difference.

9. City Council Reports

Councilman Moore asked for an update concerning the new building for Sanitation and Streets. City Engineer Craig Light explained the Public Works Committee approved a resolution entering into a contract with Stuck and Associates for design of a new facility, which will be presented to the City Council in two weeks. He further explained one of the City inspectors checked the air conditioning system and found black insulation inside the duct work. He stated Dr. Parsons did a structural survey of the buildings and made recommendations concerning the mechanic shop. Mr. Light noted the floor has been raised about two inches in the shop. He added they found problems with the main shop building and Dr. Parsons has a plan to add support to the columns, which will be worked on. He further explained septic system repairs will be made starting in a few days.

Councilman Moore thanked Mayor Formon for his service and congratulated Councilman Perrin on his win in the Mayor's election.

ORD-08:101 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2008 BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL MONEY FOR PURCHASES OF REPLACEMENT VEHICLES FOR JETS

Sponsors: JETS

Councilman Williams motioned, seconded by Councilman Street, to add an ordinance to the agenda. All voted aye.

Councilwoman Williams offered the ordinance for first reading by title only.

Councilwoman Williams motioned, seconded by Councilman Moore, to suspend the rules and waive second and third reading. All voted aye.

A motion was made by Councilman Harold Perrin, seconded by Councilman Charles Frierson, that this Ordinance be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 12 - Judy Furr;Darrel Dover;Faye McCall;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Cecil Province;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;Harold Perrin;John Street;Mitch Johnson and Tim McCall

Enactment No: O-EN-077-2008

RES-08:212 A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A QUICK ACTION CLOSING FUND GRANT FROM THE ARKANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION TO UNDERTAKE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS WHICH SUPPORT PRIVATE SECTOR JOB CREATION OPPORTUNITIES

Attachments: [Quick Action Closing Fund Grant Agreement](#)

Councilwoman Williams motioned, seconded by Councilman Street, to add a resolution to the agenda. All voted aye.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ann Williams, seconded by Councilman John Street, that this Resolution be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 12 - Judy Furr;Darrel Dover;Faye McCall;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Cecil Province;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;Harold Perrin;John Street;Mitch Johnson and Tim McCall

Enactment No: R-EN-153-2008

RES-08:211 A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT INSURANCE PROPOSALS FROM BLUE CROSS

BLUE SHIELD AND DELTA DENTAL TO PROVIDE INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR CITY EMPLOYEES

Sponsors: Human Resources

Councilwoman Williams motioned, seconded by Councilman Dover, to add a resolution to the agenda. All voted aye, with the exception of Councilman McCall who abstained from voting.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ann Williams, seconded by Councilman John Street, that this Resolution be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 10 - Judy Furr;Darrel Dover;Faye McCall;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Cecil Province;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;John Street and Mitch Johnson

Abstain: 2 - Harold Perrin and Tim McCall

Enactment No: R-EN-154-2008

RES-08:216

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE JONESBORO POLICE LOCAL PENSION BOARD TO TRANSFER PENSION FUNDS AND USE THE "ALTERNATE CASH FLOW PROJECTION VALUATION" METHOD, AS DESCRIBED IN RULE #4 OF THE ARKANSAS FIRE AND POLICE PENSION REVIEW BOARD

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)

Councilman Dover questioned whether the funds would be transfered from Simmons Bank. Finance Director Jim Barksdale answered yes, they will be transfered from Simmons First Bank to Stephens. He explained by the using the alternative method the employees will get the benefits they need without the City having to contribute more funds. He further explained Stephens will be administering the program.

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Darrel Dover, that this Resolution be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 12 - Judy Furr;Darrel Dover;Faye McCall;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Cecil Province;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;Harold Perrin;John Street;Mitch Johnson and Tim McCall

Enactment No: R-EN-155-2008

RES-08:214

RESOLUTION TO RENEW THE CONTRACT WITH USABLE TO PROVIDE LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO EMPLOYEES

Sponsors: Human Resources

Councilwoman Williams motioned, seconded by Councilman Perrin, to add a resolution to the agenda. All voted aye, with the exception of Councilman McCall who abstained from voting.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ann Williams, seconded by Councilman Harold Perrin, that this Resolution be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 11 - Judy Furr;Darrel Dover;Faye McCall;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Cecil Province;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;Harold Perrin;John Street and Mitch Johnson

Abstain: 1 - Tim McCall

Enactment No: R-EN-156-2008

RES-08:197

A RESOLUTION TO REAPPOINT DEBORAH AGNEW TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE JONESBORO URBAN RENEWAL AND HOUSING AUTHORITY

Sponsors: Mayor's Office and Jonesboro Urban Renewal and Housing Authority

Attachments: [JURHA info for Agnew appointment](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilwoman Ann Williams, that this Resolution be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 12 - Judy Furr;Darrel Dover;Faye McCall;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Cecil Province;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;Harold Perrin;John Street;Mitch Johnson and Tim McCall

Enactment No: R-EN-157-2008

RES-08:220

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AND APPOINTING MEMBERS TO AN AD HOC COMMITTEE REGARDING THE RENAMING OF A CITY STREET IN HONOR OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

Attachments: [Street Renaming Proposal](#)
[Street Renaming Proposal - PDF version](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Harold Perrin, seconded by Councilman John Street, that this Resolution be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 12 - Judy Furr;Darrel Dover;Faye McCall;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Cecil Province;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;Harold Perrin;John Street;Mitch Johnson and Tim McCall

Enactment No: R-EN-158-2008

Councilwoman McCall stated she has enjoyed working on the Council and thanked the Council for allowing her to serve.

Councilman McCall expressed his appreciation to Councilman Province for his over 30 years of service to the Council.

Councilwoman Furr expressed her appreciation to Mayor Formon for his service to the City during his term.

Councilman Johnson thanked Mr. Light for his work to get the Street and Sanitation Departments a new building. He also expressed his appreciation to Mayor Formon for his service to the City.

Councilman Street also thanked Mayor Formon and Councilman Province for their service to the City.

10. Public Comment

11. Adjournment.

A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilman Harold Perrin, that this meeting be Adjourned. The motion CARRIED by a

Voice Vote.

Aye: 12 - Judy Furr;Darrel Dover;Faye McCall;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Cecil Province;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;Harold Perrin;John Street;Mitch Johnson and Tim McCall

_____ **Date:** _____
Doug Formon, Mayor

_____ **Date:** _____
Donna Jackson, City Clerk