



City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Public Safety Council Committee

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

5:00 PM

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1. Call To Order

Mayor Harold Perrin was in attendance.

2. Roll Call by City Clerk Donna Jackson

Present 4 - David McClain; Chris Moore; Gene Vance and Bobby Long

Absent 1 - Mitch Johnson

3. Approval of minutes

[MIN-19:083](#)

MINUTES FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING ON AUGUST 20, 2019

Attachments: [Public Safety Minutes 08202019.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Bobby Long, seconded by Councilperson Gene Vance, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 3 - David McClain; Gene Vance and Bobby Long

Absent: 1 - Mitch Johnson

4. New Business

ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED

[ORD-19:048](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ADD SECTION 66-267 ADOPTING WEIGHT AND SIZE REQUIREMENTS FOR LARGE TRUCKS IN THE CITY OF JONESBORO AND REPEALING SECTION 66-301

Sponsors: Engineering and Streets

Chairman Chris Moore said, Mr. Mayor do, you have someone that can present this? Mayor Perrin said, go ahead Craig, you can present it. Chief Engineer Craig Light said, currently there are state rules on weight limits on trucks and when the city writes a ticket on that the money goes to the state not the city. What this ordinance would do is allow the city to write tickets for this ordinance and collect the money for those tickets. We are not changing the weight limits that the state already has in place at all. The rules governing the state law is already established.

This ordinance would also give us the ability to go after people that are overweight and

they are tearing up our roads. We will of course, have to prove that they are doing that. It would give us the ability to collect those funds from the entities that are doing that. It also, allows the traffic committee to make recommendations to council of roads that may need to put "No Truck" signs on, because of structural reasons with the roadway and not that there is too much traffic on it and people want us to limit truck traffic. If there is a structural problem to handle the loads, then the committee could make a recommendation to the council that "No Truck" signage be put on those roadways. That's basically the three things that it does.

Chairman Chris Moore said, just for clarification, are we adopting the state rules and by doing that will it allow us collect the money? Mayor Perrin said, that is correct. Councilperson McClain said, Mr. Chairman if I may, just for clarity only. I don't know what a class one or class two truck is, Mr. Light can you answer that? Mr. Light said, it is defined by state law. A class one is basically a one ton truck that is commercially used. If it is anything bigger than a one ton used for a commercial then it is regulated. If it's a one ton and it's privately used, and not used for commercial then it's not regulated. If you have a two ton vehicle it is already regulated by the state, whether it is a private or commercial truck. When you go to a class two, you are looking at a ton and a half or a two ton or larger vehicle with a class one commercial one ton is where it starts and that's what the state law already has. Chairman Chris Moore said, anyone else on the committee have a question? Mayor said, I just have one comment Mr. Chairman if I can. At the last Highway meeting with the Highway Department, the Chief with the Highway Patrol said he'd be glad to come up and train our officers to do that. They also, have some scales that we can possibly get, and probably at no cost. Chairman Moore said, alright, very good.

A motion was made by Councilperson Gene Vance, seconded by Councilperson Bobby Long, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 3 - David McClain;Gene Vance and Bobby Long

Absent: 1 - Mitch Johnson

5. Pending Items

6. Other Business

7. Public Comments

8. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilperson Bobby Long, seconded by Councilperson Gene Vance, that this meeting be Adjourned. The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 3 - David McClain;Gene Vance and Bobby Long

Absent: 1 - Mitch Johnson