

City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center 300 S. Church Street Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Finance & Administration Council Committee

Tuesday, May 31, 2016 4:00 PM Municipal Center

1. Call To Order

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2. Roll Call

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Present 4 - Ann Williams; John Street; Darrel Dover and Rennell Woods

Absent 2 - Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

3. Approval of minutes

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MIN-16:055 Minutes for Finance Committee Meeting on May 11, 2016

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams; John Street; Darrel Dover and Rennell Woods

Absent: 2 - Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

4. New Business

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Resolutions To Be Introduced

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RES-16:066 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ENTRY INTO AN AGREEMENT TO ISSUE

BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASSISTING IN THE FINANCING OF

INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO BE LEASED TO FMH CONVEYORS LLC, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, INCLUDING PARTICULARLY

AMENDMENT 65 TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION AND THE MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTIES INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BOND LAW.

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Chairman Dover said this agreement brings jobs to our community and that we are very happy to do this. Mayor Perrin said the FMH expansion would bring 110 new jobs. Chairman Dover stated they were very appreciative of the opportunity. Attorney Michele Allgood with Mitchell Williams Law Firm said she was here on behalf of FMH Conveyors, LLC and stated she was here to answer any questions about the incentive to FMH to expand and consolidate.

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilwoman Ann Williams, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams; John Street; Darrel Dover and Rennell Woods

Absent: 2 - Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

RES-16:070

A RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT WITH FAIRFIELD INN AND SUITES FOR SPONSORSHIP OF A OUTFIELD SIGN AT SOUTHSIDE SOFTBALL COMPLEX

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Chairman Dover asked if this was the typical five year contract we normally do. Mayor Perrin stated that it was a three year contract.

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Rennell Woods, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams; John Street; Darrel Dover and Rennell Woods

Absent: 2 - Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

RES-16:071

A RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT WITH PEPSI BEVERAGES COMPANY FOR SPONSORSHIP OF FIELDS AND EXCLUSIVE POURING RIGHTS AT JOE MACK CAMPBELL PARK

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Chairman Dover asked how many years this contract was for. Parks Director Wixson Huffstetler stated it was for a 5 years sponsorship for the baseball field, the soccer field, and the pouring rights. Chairman Dover asked if we buy their product from them. Mr. Huffstetler said the city gets a rebate for beverages. He said they are also very good at donating signs and umbrellas for events. Mayor Perrin stated he thought it was for \$18,500. Mr. Huffstetler said they also provide excellent and fast service because they have a plant located here.

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Rennell Woods, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams; John Street; Darrel Dover and Rennell Woods

Absent: 2 - Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

5. Pending Items

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6. Other Business

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Mayor Perrin stated he has spoken with some staff and will ask Engineering for Requests for Proposals to be sent out for ditch cleaning. He said the cost is estimated to be \$1 million to \$1.5 million which will have to come from the city reserves. Mayor Perrin stated that the city could not handle the work itself. Councilman Street said we bought extra excavators last time to help with cleaning out ditches. Mayor Perrin stated we pulled a map of every drainage district in the county and we need to contact them regarding clearing the ditches. He said we need to find out where the drainage district money goes after it is put in the General Fund. Councilman Street talked to Alec about the drainage last week. He stated the county has to start cleaning out the ditches because most of our flooding was water backing up.

Perrin said we will be meeting with the county and all of the other drainage districts in the area to find out how much funds are collected. He said we will have to take it to the Public Works Committee. Mayor Perrin said it would be \$1.5 million to \$1.6 million out of reserve funds for this project. Chairman Dover made a motion for the Mayor to ask the Engineering Department to send out RFP's and bring the issue to public works committee for next week. Chairman Dover said Engineering needs to make a list of hot spots. The Mayor said that Engineering has already made a list of hot spots. He said that Roy from the Street Department stated there were 300 properties with damage from the flooding. Mayor Perrin stated that they met with David Moore yesterday in hopes to get the Governor to declare an emergency and get some funding from the state.

Councilman Street requests the city to buy major basins. Mayor Perrin said we are going along with the Corp studies. He said the city will look at the Corp Studies which suggested acquiring 200 acres in North Jonesboro and 50 acres near RidgePoint to help alleviate the flooding problems. Chairman Dover asked if the City Engineer could identify the failures and address those issues. Mayor Perrin stated he is working on them. He said that most hot spots were to the East and than to the West. Street said we did not do the one in front of the old city hall because it wasn't feasible. Mayor Perrin said he will ask the city engineer to identify which areas belong to the Highway Department and contact them to work out a plan. Mayor Perrin said Aggie Road may not be in suitable condition. Councilman Street asked if they can clean the debris out those box culverts. Chairman Dover said if we straighten out some ditches, maybe the water will flow better. Mayor Perrin said he will get an RFP from Engineering.

7. Public Comments

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8. Adjournment

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A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Rennell Woods, that this meeting be Adjourned . The motion PASSED with the

following vote.

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams; John Street; Darrel Dover and Rennell Woods

Absent: 2 - Charles Coleman and Todd Burton

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