



City of Jonesboro

Meeting Minutes

Public Safety Council Committee

900 West Monroe
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Tuesday, October 16, 2007

5:15 PM

Huntington Building

1. Call To Order

Mayor Formon was also in attendance.

Present 5 - Chris Moore; Judy Furr; Tim McCall; Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent 1 - Harold Perrin

2. Approval of minutes

[MIN-07:1704](#) Minutes for the August 21, 2007, Public Safety meeting.

Attachments: [082107](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Tim McCall, seconded by Councilperson Faye McCall, that this Minutes be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr; Tim McCall; Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

3. New Business

Ordinances To Be Introduced

[ORD-07:3082](#) AN ORDINANCE TO INSTITUTE A SUPPLEMENTAL PAY INCENTIVE PLAN FOR SWORN OFFICERS OF THE JONESBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Sponsors: Police Department and Mayor's Office

Attachments: [APPENDIX B education](#)
[Cert Appendix A](#)
[Example Salary Spreadsheet](#)
[PT Appendix C](#)

Police Chief Michael Yates stated there are sufficient funds to cover the incentive plan through the end of the year. He explained due to the incentive plan they have had a lot of interest from outside officers. Chairman Moore noted the City is 10 weeks from the new budget and recommended to send the plan to Finance then on to Council to be included in next year's budget. Chief Yates stated since the money is already in the budget the plan could be sent straight to Council and not have to go to Finance. Chairman Moore expressed concern over not taking the plan to Finance first. He suggested if the plan is not approved until after January 1 they could make the ordinance retroactive to January 1. Mayor Formon noted if the plan is taken to the Finance Committee next month, then taken to Council in December it would still be able to be put in place before January 1 if there is an emergency clause in the ordinance. Chief Yates expressed concern over

individuals who might think the Council is trying to put off the ordinance. Chairman Moore stated if there is a positive recommendation from the committee to the Finance Committee, then that should send a message that the plan will be followed through with. Councilwoman Furr suggested passing out a copy to the Finance Committee on Thursday and make them aware of it being on the agenda for November. Councilman McCall questioned if the Human Resources Director had any thoughts on the plan. Chief Yates stated she helped him develop the initial part of the plan, but it's on a different route than the standard pay plan. Chairman Moore asked Councilwoman Furr to express the committee's interest about the plan being retroactive to January 1 and their support of the plan.

A motion was made by Councilperson Tim McCall, seconded by Councilperson Judy Furr, that this matter be Recommended to the Finance & Administration Council Committee. The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr; Tim McCall; Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

ORD-07:3134 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 8.44.14 OF THE DOWNTOWN PARKING TECHNICAL CODE ALLOWING FOR MORE NO TIME PARKING LOTS.

Sponsors: Police Department

Lt. Roger Morphis explained they are looking to make the parking lot at the corner of Union and Huntington a no time parking lot. Chief Yates added a number of businesses in area requested the change because their services take longer than the 2-hour time limit. Mr. Scott Straub, a downtown business owner, expressed concern about the lack of parking for people who work downtown. Councilman McCall questioned whether Mr. Straub had any suggestions regarding the parking. Mr. Straub stated he does not know what the answer is. Chairman Moore stated there is no on-street parking marked as handicapped. Public Works Director stated the ADA Coordinator is looking into the situation. Mayor Formon discussed the regulations concerning ADA on-street parking. Councilwoman Furr stated she has suggested in the past making employee parking only on the parking lot on Cate, but it was indicated to her that it was too far to walk for some business owners. Chief Yates stated there is no one solution. Mr. Straub stated he appreciated Chief Yates and Lt. Morphis for their help. Discussion was held regarding building a parking garage downtown. Mr. George Krennerich stated ASU budgeted \$25,000 per space for their parking garage.

A motion was made by Councilperson Tim McCall, seconded by Councilperson Judy Furr, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr; Tim McCall; Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

ORD-07:3137 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 5.16.16 AND 5.16.20 OF THE GARBAGE, TRASH AND WEEDS CODE ALLOWING SPECIAL CONSIDERATION FOR LARGER TRACTS OF LAND.

Sponsors: Code Enforcement

Chief Yates stated they are wanting to change the ordinance to match their current practice. He noted it was for 5+ acres of land. Councilman Johnson expressed concern over allowing people to mow a buffer but then grass getting too high. Lt. Morphis noted they put in a stipulation that if it becomes a hazard to public health or safety then they will require the whole area to be mowed.

A motion was made by Councilperson Judy Furr, seconded by Councilperson Mitch Johnson, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr;Tim McCall;Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

Resolutions To Be Introduced

RES-07:2390 A RESOLUTION TO Condemn property at 634 W Huntington

Sponsors: Code Enforcement

Attachments: [634 W Huntington.doc](#)
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A motion was made by Councilperson Tim McCall, seconded by Councilperson Judy Furr, that this Resolution be Recommended to Council. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr;Tim McCall;Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

RES-07:2397 A RESOLUTION TO Condemn property at 417 Houghton St

Sponsors: Code Enforcement

Attachments: [417 Houghton.doc](#)
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A motion was made by Councilperson Tim McCall, seconded by Councilperson Judy Furr, that this Resolution be Recommended to Council. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr;Tim McCall;Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

RES-07:2441 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO CONTINUE THE CONTRACT WITH BRACKETT-KRENNERICH AND ASSOCIATES, P.A. FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES RELATED TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF JONESBORO FIRE STATIONS.

Sponsors: Fire Department

Attachments: [contract reduction](#)
[Invoice sample 1](#)
[invoice sample 2](#)
[Original Contract](#)
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Mr. Krennerich explained because the design for the next two stations are so similar to

the drawings to the last two stations they have reduced the cost of the drawings by 40%. Councilwoman Furr stated she has heard some concerns from people downtown about moving Fire Station #2 down to Optimist Park. Mayor Formon noted Fire Station #6 will be moved to Patrick. Fire Chief Aaron Keller added the downtown area will be covered by two fire stations now instead of just one.

A motion was made by Councilperson Tim McCall, seconded by Councilperson Judy Furr, that this matter be Recommended to the Finance & Administration Council Committee. The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr;Tim McCall;Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

RES-07:2498 A RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT WITH PROPERTY ROOM.COM FOR AUCTIONING OF SEIZED PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO

Sponsors: Public Safety Council Committee

Attachments: [Contract Agreement](#)
[In-Place Auction Offering Pricing 2007-08-08](#)

Chief Yates explained opposed to storing their items they can use the company to auction them off. Lt. Morphis added Little Rock is also working with the company. Mayor Formon questioned whether other items owned by the City can be sold as well. City Attorney Phillip Crego stated as long as the company doesn't oppose to it, then the City can auction those items off as well. He noted the City does have an out in the contract and is not obligated to send the company anything. Mayor Formon recommended using the company. Chairman Moore questioned whether the City should put bids out for the service. Mr. Crego stated since the contract is non-exclusive and the City is not required to use just that company then they should not have to advertise. Chief Yates added he will give the committee a report on the results in six months.

A motion was made by Councilperson Faye McCall, seconded by Councilperson Judy Furr, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr;Tim McCall;Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

RES-07:2499 A RESOLUTION TO Condemn property at 1614 N Patrick

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A motion was made by Councilperson Tim McCall, seconded by Councilperson Judy Furr, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr;Tim McCall;Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

RES-07:2500 A RESOLUTION TO Condemn property at 411 W Huntington

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A motion was made by Councilperson Tim McCall, seconded by Councilperson Judy Furr, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr;Tim McCall;Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

RES-07:2513 A RESOLUTION TO Condemn property at 5415 Southwest Dr,

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A motion was made by Councilperson Tim McCall, seconded by Councilperson Judy Furr, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr;Tim McCall;Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

RES-07:2514 A RESOLUTION TO Condemn property at 1504 Flint,

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Aye: 4 - Judy Furr;Tim McCall;Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin

4. Pending Items

COM-07:056 Vector Control Services September/October, 2007, report including year-end summaries

Attachments: [September/October Report](#)

Mr. Jim Stark from Vector Control Services discussed the September/October report. He noted they had 47 service requests. Chairman Moore questioned what they will be doing during the winter months. Mr. Stark stated they will be mapping the City of Jonesboro. He added if anyone has any suggestions, questions or concerns that they are open to

hearing them. Chairman Moore questioned whether they make a list of the problems they encounter and give it to the City. Mr. Stark explained they do make a list and give it to Code Enforcement. He noted tires are a big problem and is an ongoing problem. Chief Yates stated that is probably against state law. Chairman Moore asked for something to be worked out to stop the problem with tires. Councilwoman Furr questioned whether they are doing anything to educate children. Mr. Stark explained they are working on a program to educate first and second graders. Mayor Formon questioned whether Vector has a PSA that can be aired. Mr. Stark stated he thinks there is a PSA and will check into it.

This item was Read.

5. Other Business

6. Public Comments

7. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilperson Tim McCall, seconded by Councilperson Judy Furr, that this meeting be Adjourned. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 4 - Judy Furr; Tim McCall; Mitch Johnson and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Harold Perrin