



City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Public Safety Council Committee

Tuesday, June 17, 2008

5:15 PM

Huntington Building

1. Call To Order

Ms. Misty Micenhamer from the Mayor's Office was also in attendance.

Present 5 - Chris Moore;Tim McCall;Mitch Johnson;Harold Perrin and Faye McCall

Absent 1 - Judy Furr

2. Approval of minutes

[MIN-08:138](#) Minutes for the Public Safety meeting on May 20, 2008.

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Harold Perrin, seconded by Councilman Mitch Johnson, that this Minutes be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 4 - Tim McCall;Mitch Johnson;Harold Perrin and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Judy Furr

3. New Business

4. Pending Items

[ORD-08:035](#) AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE CITY OF JONESBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT EDUCATIONAL/TRAINING INCENTIVE PLAN

Sponsors: Fire Department

Attachments: [educational-incentive plan](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Tim McCall, seconded by Councilman Harold Perrin, that this Ordinance be Recommended to the Finance & Administration Council Committee. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 4 - Tim McCall;Mitch Johnson;Harold Perrin and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Judy Furr

[COM-08:064](#) Mosquito control report from Vector Disease Control for April and May, 2008.

Attachments: [April and May, 2008 Report](#)

Mr. Jim Stark presented a mosquito control report to the committee. He noted they received 27 service requests in April and May. Chairman Moore stated it was this time last year when Clarke Mosquito was fired due to the mosquito problem, yet this year there is not as much of a problem. He then questioned what the City would do if the proposed annexation when through due to the contract the City has with Vector. Mr. Stark explained it would depend on whether the land is homes or fields. Chairman Moore stated he would give Mr. Stark a plat of the area so Mr. Stark can look at the area to see what the additional cost would be to the City.

This item was Read.

5. Other Business

COM-08:059 Freezer storage building for Animal Control

Sponsors: Animal Control

Attachments: [Animial Control Freezer Building](#)

Police Chief Michael Yates explained they had budgeted for automatic watering system, but due to construction changes they will no longer put them in the facility. He further explained they do need the freezers, which will cost the same amount of money as what was budgeted for the watering system. Councilman Perrin stated it did not need to come to Public Safety. He added it did need to go to Finance for an audit trail. Councilman McCall motioned, seconded by Councilman Perrin, to refer the item to the Finance Committee. All voted aye.

This item was Read.

COM-08:060 Petition from business owners in the 700 block of South Main Street asking to be exempt from the Downtown Parking Code.

Attachments: [Petition](#)

Chief Michael Yates stated that it would be very difficult to have a funeral or a wedding in that area without being in violation of the law. He recommended sending the item to the Downtown Parking Authority Board. He added changing the area from 2 hour parking to 4 hour parking should not be a problem. Mr. Carter Dryer stated that they do not have a parking problem in that area, but the law is causing a problem on where they can park and for how long. He also added if a he was clocked in at a certain spot and two hours later he went across the street to park in a different spot he would get a ticket for it. Chief Yates stated you cannot rotate where you park to go around the ordinance but if you left and came back you would be ok. Councilman McCall motioned, seconded by Councilwoman McCall, to refer the item to the Downtown Parking Authority. All voted aye.

This item was Read.

6. Public Comments

Discussion was held regarding the intersection on Highland Drive and Southwest Drive. It was questioned whether signage would be put up so if you're going north on Southwest Drive towards downtown that you could not cross a lane of traffic and turn right into the Walgreens parking lot. Public Works Director Erick Woodruff stated they were not given direction regarding a sign, but they were given direction to re-do the striping. He added they will be putting up tape within the next thirty days.

Councilman Perrin questioned the stop lights at Race/Fairpark and Bridge/Washington. Mr. Woodruff stated they will be going to the Finance Committee.

Chief Yates explained they have submitted a grant to the Department of Justice for a Youth Gang Coordination grant. He stated the grant will be \$200,000, non-matching. He added as soon as there is official word on it, he will bring it to the committee. He also explained the Department of Justice and the US Attorney's office in Little Rock have chosen Jonesboro as one of two agencies in the state to receive an internet stalking child predator grant of up to \$500,000. He stated they are in the process of getting the grant written and submitted. Chairman Moore questioned when they would find out if Jonesboro was awarded with the grant. Chief Yates explained it would be sometime in the fall. He added there would be no match for the grant.

7. Adjournment

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

Aye: 5 - Chris Moore;Tim McCall;Mitch Johnson;Harold Perrin and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Judy Furr