



# City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe  
Jonesboro, AR 72401

## Meeting Minutes City Council

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Tuesday, October 5, 2010

6:30 PM

Huntington Building

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### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AT 5:30 P.M.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR PERRIN AT 6:30 P.M.

#### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

#### 3. ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK DONNA JACKSON

**Present** 12 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Jim Hargis; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Tim McCall; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

#### 4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

**COM-10:094** Special Presentation recognizing local citizens for their effort in solving crime.

**Sponsors:** Police Department

*Police Chief Michael Yates presented Crystal Creecy and her daughter, Kayla, with the Chief's Award. Chief Yates explained Ms. Creecy had her credit cards stolen at her workplace in August. The detective handling the case was able to find video showing the credit cards being used at stores in the City. Ms. Creecy was unable to identify the suspects, but the video also showed the vehicle that the suspects used. A few weeks later, Kayla saw the suspect's vehicle at Wal-Mart. They followed the vehicle and Ms. Creecy contacted the Police Department. The suspects were caught and several cards that had been reported stolen and used across the state were recovered. Chief Yates noted the department has given out the Chief's Award only one time before. He thanked Ms. Creecy and Kayla for their work.*

#### 5. CONSENT AGENDA

##### *Approval of the Consent Agenda*

**A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Gene Vance, to Approve the Consent Agenda. A motion was made that these files be approved by consent voice vote**

**Aye:** 12 - Darrel Dover; Ann Williams; Charles Frierson; Jim Hargis; Chris Moore; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Tim McCall; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

**MIN-10:089** Minutes for the City Council meeting on September 21, 2010.

This item was **PASSED** on the consent agenda.

**MIN-10:090** Minutes for the special called City Council meeting on September 27, 2010.

This item was **PASSED** on the consent agenda.

## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

## **7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### *ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING*

**ORD-10:077** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 14, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN ZONING BOUNDARIES FROM R-2 TO CR-1 LUO FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 401 EAST OAK AS REQUESTED BY GLEN AND NANCY MORING

**A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Chris Gibson, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote**

**Aye:** 12 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Tim McCall;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

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## **8. MAYOR'S REPORTS**

*Mayor Perrin reported on the following items:*

*Sales results in advertising for the Parks Department have been good. As of last week, the Assistant to the Parks Director has sold \$30,000 already and has \$45,000 pending.*

*E-911 had a meeting on September 22nd to discuss the upcoming contract with the county and the utilization of the system. They met with mayors from all over Craighead County to discuss the utilization to see if they can find a fair way to charge the cities in order to offset some of the cost of E-911 operations. E-911 Director Jeff Pressley is coming up with a solution and will hold another meeting in the latter part of October.*

*The take-home vehicle policy will be changing. Employees on call will be able to utilize the vehicles. The policy will also be updated to reflect IRS policies concerning take-home vehicles and will be an amendment to the Employee Handbook.*

*A cell phone analysis is being done and will continue during the budget process. They have met with Sprint concerning possible overcharges, but have not heard anything back. They will be looking at alternatives to the cell phones.*

*O&M expenditures are \$1.577 million below what was budgeted. Revenues are \$940,000 over what was budgeted. They will be sending the Council the financial reports.*

*The budget process is still continuing. The budget will be delivered to the Council before Thanksgiving.*

*They are still waiting on Legislative Audit. They are hoping to have the exit interview within the next two weeks. Finance Committee Chair Ann Williams will be attending the exit interview.*

*They received a letter from the Highway Department concerning bidding out the construction of a right-hand turn lane on Highways 226 & 49. The location is near the cloverleaf by the Wal-Mart on Parker Road. They are hoping to have that done by the end of the year.*

*He, City Engineer Craig Light and Engineer Brent Watkins will be meeting with the Highway Department concerning traffic counts on the four overpasses on 63. They will be looking at how to revamp those areas.*

*Dr. Farris will be making a presentation concerning the vegetative management study at the next Council meeting.*

*The City has applied for and is managing more grants than ever before. He noted that is thanks to Mr. Tony Thomas and other department heads for getting information regarding grants out.*

*Condemnations have been busy. Several have been torn down and others will be coming to Council for approval.*

*The Highway Department sent a letter approving the fixing of the stoplight at Stadium & Phillips and Highland & Brazos.*

*They received a letter from Attorney Wick Nesbitt concerning the non-uniform pension plan. He sent the letter to the City Council. They will be going to Little Rock to speak with Mr. Nesbitt and in the meantime will be looking for information Mr. Nesbitt has requested. The actuarial evaluation for 2009 was \$853,000, which was budgeted but has not been sent yet. He noted there is still a lot of work to be done. City Attorney Phillip Crego noted Mr. Nesbitt was sent the original contract and either one or two of the amendments.*

**COM-10:106** Flyer concerning clean-up from Main Street to Culberhouse and Woodrow to Forrest Street as presented by Mayor Perrin.

## **9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

*Councilman Street discussed the incinerator ribbon cutting. He recommended everyone take a look at it if they haven't been able to do so yet. Councilman Vance added the contract for the maintenance shop has been approved and the building is being staked out.*

*Councilman Fears motioned, seconded by Councilman Gibson, to add RES-10:122 to the City Council agenda. All voted aye.*

**RES-10:122** A RESOLUTION TO MAKE A REAPPOINTMENT TO THE ARKANSAS RESIDENTIAL HOUSING & HEALTHCARE FACILITIES BOARD BY MAYOR HAROLD PERRIN

**Sponsors:** Mayor's Office

**A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Mitch Johnson, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote**

**Aye:** 12 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Tim McCall;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

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*Councilman Vance further added the architects have started on the warehouse building and bids should start after the first of the year. They have also started collecting information for the design work of the office building for Streets and Sanitation. Hopefully by early spring they will have contracts in effect for all of the original buildings, including the fuel depot. If the budget allows, they may be asking for more storage buildings onsite.*

**10. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Councilman Mikel Fears, seconded by Councilman Chris Gibson, that this meeting be Adjourned. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.**

**Aye:** 12 - Darrel Dover;Ann Williams;Charles Frierson;Jim Hargis;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Tim McCall;Gene Vance;Chris Gibson;Rennell Woods and Mikel Fears

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Harold Perrin, Mayor**

**Attest:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Donna Jackson, City Clerk**