



City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, January 6, 2015

5:30 PM

Municipal Center

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AT 5:00 P.M.

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1. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR PERRIN AT 5:30 P.M.

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2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

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3. ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK DONNA JACKSON

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Present 12 - Chris Moore; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods; Todd Burton; Charles Frierson; Charles Coleman; Ann Williams; John Street; Darrel Dover and Tim McCall

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

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COM-14:103

Presentation by Mayor Perrin to Danielle Dodd for her assistance in apprehending a suspect at Walmart

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Police Chief Rick Elliott honored Ms. Dodd for her recent act. He explained on November 14, police were called to assist with a fight occurring outside Walmart on Parker Road. By the time they arrived the fight had already been broken up by Ms. Dodd. They found that a man had assaulted a woman inside the store and was trying to leave the scene. Ms. Dodd stopped him so he could be held until officers arrived. The person was arrested by officers and charged with a sexual assault charge. He commended Ms. Dodd for her willingness to come to assist someone in need.

This item was Filed.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

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Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Chris Gibson, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motioned PASSED

Aye: 12 - Chris Moore; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods; Todd Burton; Charles Frierson; Charles Coleman; Ann Williams; John Street; Darrel Dover and Tim McCall

[MIN-14:156](#)

Minutes for the City Council meeting on December 16, 2014

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Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made that this Minutes be Passed . The motion PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

[RES-14:204](#)

A RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT WITH SENSATIONAL KIDS PEDIATRIC THERAPY FOR SPONSORSHIP OF ONE FENCE SIGN AT MIRACLE LEAGUE COMPLEX

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Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Sensational Kids Pediatric Therapy](#)

A motion was made that this Resolution be Passed . The motion PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Enactment No: R-EN-001-2015

[RES-14:206](#)

A RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT WITH LM DUNCAN FOR SPONSORSHIP OF ONE FENCE SIGN AT MIRACLE LEAGUE COMPLEX

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Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [LM Duncan](#)

A motion was made that this Resolution be Passed . The motion PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Enactment No: R-EN-002-2015

[RES-14:207](#)

A RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT WITH YOUTH MOVE ARKANSAS FOR SPONSORSHIP OF ONE FENCE SIGN AT MIRACLE LEAGUE COMPLEX

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Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Youth Move Arkansas](#)

A motion was made that this Resolution be Passed . The motion PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Enactment No: R-EN-003-2015

RES-14:208

A RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT WITH LIFE STRATEGIES COUNSELING INC FOR SPONSORSHIP OF ONE FENCE SIGN AT MIRACLE LEAGUE COMPLEX

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Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Life Strategies Counseling Inc](#)

A motion was made that this Resolution be Passed . The motion PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Enactment No: R-EN-004-2015

RES-14:209

A RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT WITH 1016 INVESTMENTS LLC (WILLADEAN HOGUE) FOR SPONSORSHIP OF ONE FENCE SIGN AT MIRACLE LEAGUE COMPLEX

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Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [1016 Investments LLC \(Willadean Hogue\)](#)

A motion was made that this Resolution be Passed . The motion PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Enactment No: R-EN-005-2015

RES-14:219

A RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT WITH THE LEARNING CENTER OF NORTHEAST ARKANSAS FOR SPONSORSHIP OF ONE FENCE SIGN AT MIRACLE LEAGUE COMPLEX

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Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [The Learning Center Of Northeast Arkansas](#)

A motion was made that this Resolution be Passed . The motion PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Enactment No: R-EN-006-2015

RES-14:220

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE EAST ARKANSAS PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AND ACCEPT THE 2013-59-14 GRANT FOR MIRACLE LEAGUE

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Sponsors: Grants

Attachments: [GIF Grant Agreement Miracle League.pdf](#)

A motion was made that this Resolution be Passed . The motion PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Enactment No: R-EN-007-2015

RES-14:225

A RESOLUTION TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE MAYOR

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Councilman Burton clarified that the appointments and reappointments made to boards and commissions go through the Nominating & Rules Committee. Mayor Perrin agreed. He explained he first meets with the nominee to discuss the appointment, then they have a resolution prepared and that resolutions is presented to the Nominating & Rules Committee and then to the City Council for approval.

A motion was made that this Resolution be Passed . The motion PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Enactment No: R-EN-008-2015

6. NEW BUSINESS

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ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

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ORD-14:076

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN ZONING BOUNDARIES FROM R-1 TO I-1 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5455 EAST NETTLETON AS REQUESTED BY CLARA BLALOCK

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Attachments: [Plat](#)
[MAPC Report](#)

Councilman Street offered the ordinance for first reading by title only.

Councilman Moore asked if there was any opposition to the rezoning. Mayor Perrin stated he didn't know of any and they MAPC approved it unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman John Street, to Waive the Second Reading. The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 12 - Chris Moore; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods; Todd Burton; Charles Frierson; Charles Coleman; Ann Williams; John Street; Darrel Dover and Tim McCall

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

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ORD-14:073

AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE AND ABANDON THAT PART OF AN UNDEVELOPED STREET RIGHT OF WAY IN AN UNDEVELOPED PORTION OF RUBENS ROAD AS REQUESTED BY DAVID COOK

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Attachments: [Plat](#)
 [Utility Letters](#)
 [Petition](#)
 [Planning & Engineering Letter](#)

Councilman Street motioned, seconded by Councilman Dover, to amend the ordinance by removing the Ginny Glen portion of the abandonment. All voted aye. It was noted the applicant had presented an amended ordinance.

Councilman McCall asked if the opposition was okay with the abandonment without the Ginny Glen portion. Mr. Terry Bare, representing the applicant, stated as he understands it their opposition was to the Ginny Glen area being abandoned. The applicant has removed the Ginny Glen area and left only a portion of the Rubens Road area to be abandoned.

Councilman McCall then questioned whether Mr. Cook owns both side of the street that is being abandoned. Mr. Bare referred to a plat that was submitted with the new ordinance that details which areas Mr. Cook owns. It reflects Mr. Cook owning both sides of the street.

Councilman Moore asked that the ordinance be held so anyone with opposition has time to respond to the new ordinance.

Mr. Mark Bunch, 4706 St. Margaret in Paragould, questioned the new ordinance. Mayor Perrin stated the applicant has provided a new ordinance regarding the abandonment. The ordinance will be read two times tonight with the third reading at the next meeting.

Mr. Charles Atherton, 5305 Johnwood Drive, stated he owns property behind the requested abandonment and asked for clarification about the amendment. Mr. Bare showed the amended plat to Mr. Atherton. Mr. Atherton stated he was fine with the amendment.

Councilman Dover offered the amended ordinance for first reading by title only.

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, to Waive the Second Reading . The motion PASSED with the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Chris Moore; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods; Todd Burton; Charles Frierson; Charles Coleman; Ann Williams; John Street; Darrel Dover and Tim McCall

8. MAYOR'S REPORTS

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Mayor Perrin reported on the following items:

The pool center will have the fiber optics done by the end of January, which will open other offices for the Parks Department.

The Municipal League's Winter Conference will be from January 14-16.

They will be interviewing engineering firms for the Tiger Grant work the city will be receiving funds for. The firms will be from the Highway Department's call list.

The County has asked to lease the space in the Justice Complex where the City Attorney's Office currently is. The City Attorney's Office will be moving to another location within the Justice Complex as soon as the work is completed. They met with Craighead County Judge Ed Hill and agreed that the County will pay for the renovations. A lease has been drawn up. Once the renovations have been complete he will present the lease to the City Council for approval.

9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

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Councilman McCall stated with the new school opening on Aggie Road there has been even more of a traffic problem in that area. He asked for an update concerning the roundabout. Mayor Perrin explained AHTD has approved the roundabout and are about 60% done for the design. The city is starting to acquire right-of-ways for the roundabout. They anticipate it being completed in 2015. They are also talking with Roy Cooper, who owns property near the school, about building a road from the school to Aggie Road which will help with traffic.

Councilman Burton asked for an update concerning Greensborough Village. He stated he has heard rumors that the four-lane road that was initially planned to go through that area will not be constructed. City Planner Otis Spriggs answered he has not been provided with that information. Mayor Perrin added the Highway Department will have a minute order at their January meeting to do a traffic study on the intersection of Johnson Avenue and Highway 49. Mr. Spriggs stated the only thing that has been done at the MAPC since the Council approved the ordinance is approval of a plat for frontage of that site.

Councilman Gibson motioned, seconded by Councilman Moore, to place RES-15:001 on the agenda. All voted aye.

RES-15:001

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ESTABLISH AND APPOINT A HOLIDAY/SALARY PAY COMMITTEE

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A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilwoman

Ann Williams, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Chris Moore; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods; Todd Burton; Charles Frierson; Charles Coleman; Ann Williams; John Street; Darrel Dover and Tim McCall

Enactment No: R-EN-009-2015

Councilman Gibson, who was elected as chair of the Nominating and Rules Committee for 2015, asked if any of the Council members would like changes to their committee appointments. Councilman Woods asked to be placed on the Finance Committee. Councilman Gibson stated the Nominating & Rules Committee will meet before the next Council meeting to approve Councilman Woods' place on the committee, then it will be presented to the Council.

Councilman Moore asked for a progress update concerning the recommendations from the Moratorium Committee. Mayor Perrin stated they have not had a meeting in about two months due to the placement of a new Chief Building Inspector. He will give the Council an update at the next Council meeting.

Councilman Moore then questioned whether the County leasing out a portion of the Justice Complex would affect the city receiving free utilities from City Water & Light. City Attorney Carol Duncan stated she will look into it, but the County has been leasing space in there for over 11 years. Mayor Perrin stated he will talk with CWL. Because the County is a government entity he's not sure if they would have to pay for utilities.

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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A citizen stated he thinks Jonesboro has the best Fire and Police Departments and he thinks they should be recognized for their service.

11. ADJOURNMENT

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A motion was made by Councilman Gene Vance, seconded by Councilman Mitch Johnson, that this meeting be Adjourned . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 12 - Chris Moore; Mitch Johnson; Gene Vance; Chris Gibson; Rennell Woods; Todd Burton; Charles Frierson; Charles Coleman; Ann Williams; John Street; Darrel Dover and Tim McCall

_____ Date: _____

Harold Perrin, Mayor

Attest:

_____ Date: _____

Donna Jackson, City Clerk