



City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes - Draft Public Works Council Committee

Tuesday, May 1, 2012

5:30 PM

Huntington Building

1. Call To Order

Mayor Perrin was also in attendance.

Present 6 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;John Street;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

2. Approval of minutes

MIN-12:028 Minutes for the Public Works Committee meeting on April 3, 2012

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

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

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

MIN-12:033 Minutes for the special called Public Works Committee meeting on April 17, 2012

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

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

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

3. New Business

Resolutions To Be Introduced

RES-12:041 A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF A QUASI-REGIONAL DETENTION POND IN WYNDCHASE SUBDIVISION

Sponsors: Engineering

City Engineer Craig Light explained a detention pond is being built in the Wyndchase Subdivision for the development itself. He added the developer is offering to give the City some additional land and have his contractor go ahead and dig the detention pond to alleviate downstream flooding. He noted the cost of the land and construction of the

pond is approximately \$23,000.

Councilman Darrel Dover asked if the City was using the detention pond in Wyndchase Subdivision to help another subdivision. Mr. Light answered yes.

Councilman Chris Moore stated that the developer has already agreed to maintain a certain number of gallons, but the City is adding additional gallons. Mr. Light agreed and stated the developer is going to deed the land to the City and his contractor is going to build the pond. He added if the City had to do the project it would take longer, plus they would have to wait till the developer is done before they could start, which could cause destruction to what the developer has already done.

Councilman Moore then asked if the City was able to hire the contractor without doing competitive bidding since the City doesn't have an ongoing contract with him. Mr. Light answered this contract is with the developer. He added this is what the City did with the Grove Apartments for the 60 inch pipe on Johnson Avenue.

Councilman Moore questioned if the agreement will be tied to a site plan. Mr. Light answered yes. Councilman Moore then asked if the City is paying the contractor. Mr. Light answered the City is paying the developer.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Darrel Dover, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

RES-12:057

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ENTER INTO A PUBLIC HIGHWAY GRADE SEPARATED CROSSING IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT

Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [RR Agreement.pdf](#)

Mr. Light stated this resolution is for the Bridge Street bridge. He added Union Pacific Railroad asked for an updated agreement in order for the City to do the construction. He noted Union Pacific wants \$1,000 from the City in order for the City to do the construction. He added Union Pacific Railroad will not give the City the permit without the updated contract. Mayor Perrin stated the City is mandated to do the construction.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Charles Coleman, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

RES-12:058

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT A PERMANENT DRAINAGE EASEMENT FROM STEPHEN MOORE FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [Permanant Drainage Easement.pdf](#)

Chairman Street asked if this project is for a detention pond. Mr. Light answered it is for a ditch project. He noted this resolution and RES-12:059 are both located on the

east side Kersey Lane in the Valley View area.

A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

RES-12:059

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM JANE RANKIN COOK AND MARTIN L. COOK FOR ROADWAY AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [Dedication Deed.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilman Chris Moore, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

RES-12:061

A RESOLUTION TO TO ACCEPT A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT FACILITIES FOR GREGORY SUBDIVISION, PHASE IIA, A RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION

Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [Maintenance Agreement.pdf](#)

Chairman Street stated this is a standard agreement.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Moore, seconded by Councilman Mitch Johnson, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

RES-12:062

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ROBERTSON INC., BRIDGE AND GRADING DIVISION FOR THE BRIDGE STREET BRIDGE REHABILITATION - JOB NO. 2012:23

Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [Specifications.pdf](#)
[Bid Tab.pdf](#)

Councilman Moore asked for an overview of the project. Mr. Light explained the City will be doing some heavy constructional repair. Discussion was then held concerning what kind of repairs will be done to the bridge.

Councilman Charles Coleman asked if this project will involve repairing the lighting for the bridge. Mayor Perrin answered he spoke with Ron Bowen with CWL and he stated once the construction is done CWL wants to put the lights back.

Mr. Light noted the City will be rebuilding both approaches to the bridge.

Discussion was held concerning what will be kept from the old bridge and what will be new.

Councilman Coleman asked when construction will start. Mayor Perrin answered the contract runs from June 1 thru November 2. He added the City will need to notify the media about this project.

Councilman Moore questioned if there is a completion penalty in the contract. Mr. Light answered yes and there is a liquidated damages clause for going past the completion date.

Chairman Street asked if the bridge will be closed to foot traffic. Mayor Perrin answered it will be closed to all traffic. He added the City will have a diagram in the media release so everyone will know what directions they will be able to take.

A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilman Gene Vance, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by a unanimous vote

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

4. Pending Items

Long-range facilities update

Mr. Light stated the City is looking at a completion date of May 21 for the new public works facility and the Mayor is looking at a date of early June for the Council to be able to tour the buildings. Mayor Perrin stated the Council will be able to take the JETS bus to tour the buildings.

Discussion was held concerning what parts of the project are completed.

Mayor Perrin explained the City is bringing in chat to handle the weight of the heavy equipment. He added the City has enough funds left in the contract for the chat, which cost approximately \$120,000. He then discussed some issues that still need to be done.

Incinerator

Councilman Mitch Johnson asked how often the incinerator runs. Mayor Perrin answered it ran approximately 5 to 7 days last month. He added the City is trying to come up with a plan that will allow the City to burn more often.

Discussion was held concerning the remnants from the incinerator being put in the detention pond located near the incinerator.

Buildings at the old landfill

Mayor Perrin explained the City will contact some people concerning getting prices for the steel and structures of the four buildings that will not be used at the old landfill.

Councilman Moore asked if the City will be auctioning off the buildings. Mayor Perrin answered they may put them out to bid, but there are a few companies that can take the buildings down and sell the material themselves. He added at this time they just

want to see what the value of buildings are. He noted the City will still use the transfer station.

He added in the last ADEQ exam there were some areas that needed more hydroseeding and the City started doing that this week. He noted next Thursday he will meet with ADEQ.

Councilman Moore asked which building will be left on the old landfill property. Mayor Perrin answered it is the metal transfer building on the left.

Councilman Gene Vance inquired what will happen to the recycling building. Mayor Perrin answered he is unsure until they review everything. He added at the last meeting they only talked about the transfer station, but he will check on the recycling building. He further explained the City is at or under contract for the construction and furnishings for the new public works facility. He noted the City is doing a full spreadsheet for all projects. He added the draw on the loan was \$2.9 million and the total construction cost is \$6.4 million, which the City will either be close to or under budget. He noted that will include all the equipment, furniture and fixtures.

5. Other Business

Speed limits

Chairman Street explained the City talked about 25 mph speed limits and there is a consensus that the 15 mph and 20 mph speed limits are hampering traffic. He added if 25 mph is good enough for a school zone then it should work for Dupwe.

Mayor Perrin stated speed limits will be discussed at the Traffic Committee meeting on Thursday.

Chairman Street also noted he has major concerns with the 15 mph speed limit in Craighead Forest Park.

Councilman Moore recommended the Traffic Committee study the overall speed limits in Jonesboro and come to some kind of resolution. Mayor Perrin stated the Traffic Committee is having a meeting at 10 a.m. on Thursday in the training room at the Police Department if anyone wants to attend.

6. Public Comments

7. Adjournment

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

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman