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Minutes for the City Council meeting on July 20, 1987
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES - JULY 20, 1987

The Jonesboro City Council met at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall. Present were Mayor, City Clerk, City Attorney, and Aldermen Hannah, Park, Stricklin, Evans, Bridger, Mays, Sanderson, Strauser, Hinson and Nix. Aldermen absent were Shelton and Province.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jeff Gibson and Mark Ford delivered the invocation.

The minutes of July 6, 1987, were approved as mailed on motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Nix. All voted aye.

Mr. Hannah offered the following ordinance: (Re: increase for Police Officers Training Fund, from \$2 to \$5 in Mun. Court)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORD. #1787, SECTIONS 2 AND 3, THE POLICE OFFICERS TRAINING FUND ORDINANCE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Mr. Hannah moved, seconded by Mr. Park to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on second reading. All voted aye. The ordinance was read for the second time.

Mr. Sanderson offered the following ordinance: (Re: term of office of Solid Waste Authority)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORD. #1916, SECTION 4, THE NORTHEAST ARKANSAS REGIONAL SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY ORDINANCE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Mr. Sanderson moved, seconded by Mr. Evans to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on second reading. All voted aye. The ordinance was read for the second time.

The following ordinance was on second reading: (Annexation, Henry Turner off Hwy 226, 90 acres)

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING CERTAIN LANDS ANNEXED TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, BY ORDER OF THE COUNTY COURT OF CRAIGHEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS; ASSIGNING SAID ANNEXED TERRITORY TO WARD 4; ZONING SAID ANNEXED TERRITORY RESIDENTIAL (R-1); DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Attorney Dennis Zolper addressed the council regarding annexation procedures. He stated existing annexation policy is inconsistent and varies from department to commission. He added the city, county, MAPC, and CWL should develop a unified policy or the city's growth will cease. He inquired about a stipulation placed on the annexation of requiring 6 inch water mains, and a fire hydrant every 500 ft. Chief Rorex stated he could not change his recommendation as the Fire Department was interested in the protection of the citizens.

The following ordinance was on third reading: (Rez/U Haul Co., of Ark. & D. Emerson, E of Stadium, R-2 to C-3)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #954 KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CHANGE IN ZONING BOUNDARIES

Mr. Mays moved, seconded by Dr. Strauser to include the escrow agreement to adopt the ordinance. A roll call vote was taken and all voted in the affirmative. The ordinance was given the number 2039.

The following ordinance was on third reading: (Rez/LLL & G, Citizens St., R-1 to C-1)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #954 KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CHANGE IN ZONING BOUNDARIES

Mr. Hannah moved, seconded by Mr. Park to adopt the ordinance with the emergency clause. A roll call vote was taken and all voted in the affirmative. The ordinance was given the number 2040.

The following ordinance was on third reading: (Annexation- R. White, et al, S. of Fox Meadow)

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING CERTAIN LANDS ANNEXED TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, BY ORDER OF THE COUNTY COURT OF CRAIGHEAD COUNTY DATED MARCH 30, 1987; ASSIGNING SAID ANNEXED TERRITORY TO WARD 5; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Following much discussion with regard to unified annexation policies, Attorney Jon Coleman stated that the property owners were aware the city does not have the finances to make major improvements immediately. Mr. Ron White, property owner, stated he would agree to the installation of a 6 inch water line and the addition of 2 fire hydrants, however he was only one of four property owners and was unsure how the remaining would feel with regard to this stipulation. Mr. Nix moved, seconded by Mr. Mays to amend the ordinance annexing the property subject to the following stipulation: If streets are paved and other utilities and improvements are made, it will be done at the present or future property owners expense, and the city will not bear the expense, and this will be recorded and included in the abstract. All voted aye. Mr. Sanderson moved, seconded by Mr. Park to adopt the ordinance as amended. A roll call vote was taken and all voted in the affirmative. The ordinance was given the number 2042.

The following ordinance was on third reading: (Annexation- Morton and Mitchell)

AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN LANDS TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS; ANNEXING SAID TERRITORY RESIDENTIAL (R-3); DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Mr. Mays moved, seconded by Mr. Evans to adopt the ordinance and amend said ordinance to include the following: Said lands are annexed to the city subject to the following stipulations:

1. 50 ft. dedication
2. City will pull and bed ditches
3. County will haul and pay for gravel
4. 12 ft. long, 18 in. diameter (minimum) tile will be paid for by property owners, installed by city

5. Improvement District Contract at a cost of \$24,671.75 for blacktopping streets to the property owners (does not include curbs and gutters)

A roll call vote was taken and all voted in the affirmative. The ordinance was given the number 2041.

The following ordinance was on third reading:

AN ORDINANCE TO CLOSE A PORTION OF BERRY STREET A/K/A SHORT ST. RUNNING E. AND W. BETWEEN FRENCH STREET AND CARTWRIGHT STREET

Mr. Hannah moved, seconded by Mr. Park to adopt the ordinance with the emergency clause. All voted aye. The ordinance was given the number 2043.

Mr. Stricklin offered a resolution that CWL is requested to provide electrical service to the following locations:

(a) along the South side of Optimist Park, located at 1421 w. Nettleton Ext., adjacent to the exercise track facility.

(b) a light on a city lot located on Woodrow St. Mr. Hannah moved, seconded by Mr. Stricklin to adopt the resolution. All voted aye. The resolution was given the number 1987:24.

Mr. Hannah offered a resolution to set a Public Hearing to set priorities for Parks and Recreation needs in the City of Jonesboro on July 28, 1987, at 7 p.m. at Earl Bell Center. Mr. Hannah moved, seconded by Mr. Evans for the adoption of the resolution. All voted aye. The resolution was given the number 1987:25.

Mr. Hannah offered a resolution to set a Public Hearing to consider land and water conservation funds (matching) grant application on August 11, 1987, at 7 p.m. at Earl Bell Center. Mr. Hannah moved, seconded by Mr. Evans for the adoption of the resolution. All voted aye. The resolution was given the number 1987:26.

Mr. Park moved, seconded by Mr. Hinson to appoint Mark Ford to the Parks and Recreation Commission to replace Donna Rogers with term to expire February, 1989. All voted aye.

Mayor Brodell recommended M. J. Harden, Assn., Inc. be hired to topographical mapping of 3,000 acres recently annexed to the city, including the Industrial Park. Jonesboro Unlimited will loan 50% of money to the city until additional land sales are made in the Industrial Park. He added that he had requested, but had not received a commitment from J. I. D. C. regarding refunding of \$75,000 back to the city. Mr. Sanderson moved, seconded by Mr. Evans to accept the Mayor's recommendation. All voted aye.

Mr. Bridger moved, seconded by Dr. Strauser to hire Bill Troxler for heading a drainage crew for a period of 5 to 6 weeks @ \$4-5 thousand with money to come from Capital Improvements. All voted aye.

Mr. Evans moved, seconded by Mr. Hannah to hire three additional police officers (one per shift) with money to come out of General Operating at a cost of \$17,000. All voted aye.

Mr. Hannah requested the City Clerk notify Greg Moody, MAPC liaison with the council regarding agenda items as soon as possible and for Greg to expedite information provided by the Dept. Heads so that the council may have them by the completion of the second reading.

Mr. Hannah stated that the minutes of April 7, 1986, reflect an Annexation Committee was appointed to consider matters related to annexations. He suggested the committee be reactivated and people appointed who are interested in serving.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.