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Minutes for the City Council meeting on November 16, 1959

The City Council of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas met in regular session at City Hall, Monday night, November 16, 1959, at 7:30 p.m. There were present: Mayor, City Attorney and the following named Councilmen: Keister, Snow, Field, Williams, Griffin, Brickell, Rogers, Smith, Heern, Copeland, Parks and Ebbert. The City Clerk absent.

Mr. Ebbert offered the following Ordinance and it was placed on the second reading:

AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF HALTOM STREET BETWEEN RICHMOND AND STEELE

Mr. Ebbert made the motion, seconded by Mr. Parks, that the rule be suspended and the Ordinance be placed on the third and final reading. Roll was called. Mr. Heern was absent on this vote for the Ordinance, but was present for the rest of the meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried. Mr. Ebbert made the motion, seconded by Mr. Parks, that the Ordinance be adopted. Roll was called. All present voted aye. Motion carried. Roll was called on the Emergency Clause. All aye. The ordinance was given the number 997.

Mr. Jim Osborn of the firm of Osborn & Osborn made a report to the Council of their progress in setting up a controlled system of accounting and book keeping for the City. Mr. Smith made the motion, seconded by Mr. Parks, that the firm of Quality Printing Co. be granted the contract for the printing of certain forms necessary in setting up the accounting system at a price of \$235.00 and the auditors be authorized to purchase such additional necessary forms at the best price obtainable. Roll was called. Voting aye-Keister, Griffin, Williams, Brickell, Rogers, Smith, Heern, Copeland and Parks. Voting no-Snow, Field and Ebbert. Motion carried.

Mr. Keister made the motion, seconded by Mr. Ebbert, that the bid of John and Jay Kaffka of \$455.00 on the small house and the bid of Carroll Hinson of \$500.00 on the large house be accepted. Roll was called. All aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Brickell made the motion, seconded by Mr. Griffin, that Ordinance No. 964 and 981 dealing with one-way streets and no parking on certain streets be referred to the Traffic and Safety Committee for further study and recommend back to Council. Mr. Heern and Mr. Ebbert voted no and all other members voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Field made the motion, seconded by Mr. Snow, that the Mayor be instructed to write a letter to Mr. McCarty that the 2 blocks of Franklin Street will be acceptable to the City when approximately 150 feet in the center is drained properly and the shoulders are corrected. Roll was called. Voting aye-Snow, Field, Griffin, Williams, Brickell, Brickell, Smith, Heern, Copeland, Parks and Ebbert. Voting no- Keister and Rogers. Motion carried.

Mr. Field made the motion, seconded by Mr. Snow, that Glendale and Primrose Streets having been examined by the Street Committee and reported to be found acceptable be accepted into the City Street system. Roll was

called. All aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Rogers reported on the Special Committee's investigation of the Jr. High parking problem. They recommended that a cost estimate be obtained for cutting down parkway on the north side of Strawn between Flint and Culberhouse and backfill with 6" compacted gravel and retaining wall be built approximately 2' high. Curb not to be cut, but merely drive over to angle park. Council directed Mr. Rogers to notify Tom Lawson to get the estimate.

Mr. Rogers made the motion, seconded by Mr. Heern, that the City Attorney be directed to write a registered letter to Mrs. Charles Ragsdale stating that the City makes a Bona fide offer of \$20,000.00 for her lot that is adjacent to the Old City Hall. That the City will not sell at any price and no offers to trade property will be considered. That the City expects a written answer within 10 days either accepting or rejecting the offer in order that we may proceed with acquiring property in either event. Roll was called. All aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Berl Smith of the Parking Authority Commission read a detailed report of the further study of the master plan of parking facilities.

Mr. Copeland offered the following Ordinance and placed it on the first reading:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS; PROVIDING A MEANS OF FINANCING PURCHASE BY ISSUANCE OF NOTES AND CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS; PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING OR REFUNDING OF THE CERTIFICATES AND OTHER DEBT BY BOND ISSUE; SETTING UP CERTAIN FUNDS AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

Mr. Brickell motioned, seconded by Mr. Rogers, then moved that the rule be suspended and the Ordinance be placed on the second reading. On calling the roll, all voted aye. There being 12 ayes and no nays, motion carried.

The Ordinance was read for the second time. Mr. Keister made the motion, seconded by Mr. Smith, then moved that the rule be further suspended and the Ordinance be placed on the third and final reading. Roll was called. All aye. There being 12 ayes and no nays, motion carried. The Ordinance was read for the third time. Mr. Parks made the motion, seconded by Mr. Griffin, that the Ordinance be adopted. Roll was called. All aye. There being 12 ayes and no nays, motion carried and the Mayor declared the Ordinance adopted. Roll was called on the Emergency Clause and there were 12 ayes and no nays. The Emergency Clause was declared adopted by the Mayor. The ordinance was given the number 998.

Mr. Field offered the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SELLING OF PROPERTY AT THE AIRPORT

Mr. Field made the motion, seconded by Mr. Rogers, that the Resolution be adopted. Roll was called. All aye. Motion carried. The resolution was given the number 1959:26.

Mr. Rogers offered the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER FUND #2 SURPLUS TO RECALL BONDS NOW OUTSTANDING TO THE EXTENT OF SUCH SURPLUS.

Mr. Brickell made the motion, seconded by Mr. Williams, that the Resolution be adopted. All voted aye on the roll call. Motion carried. The resolution was given the number 1959:27.

Mr. Griffin made the motion, seconded by Mr. Rogers, that he bills as okayed by the Finance Committee be paid. Roll was called. All aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Brickell offered the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ATTORNEY, COMMUNITY CENTER BOARD #1, PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY TO FILE ACTION TO SECURE COURT AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER THE BOND SURPLUS FUND IN COMMUNITY CENTER FUND #1 TO BE USED FOR MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND UPKEEP OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER #1

Mr. Brickell made the motion, seconded by Mr. Ebbert, that the Resolution be adopted. Roll was called. All aye. Motion carried. The resolution was given the number 1959:28.

Mr. Snow made the motion, seconded by Mr. Ebbert, that the meeting adjourns until 7:30 p.m. Thursday night, November 19, 1959, to consider tax levies and the 1960 budget. Roll was called. All aye. Motion carried.