

CITY OF JONESBORO COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES December 08, 2008

The City of Jonesboro Mayor and Council held the monthly Council meeting on Monday, December 08, 2008. The meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Jonesboro Police Station, 170 South Main Street Jonesboro, Georgia.

Council Present: Luther Maddox, Mayor
Bobby Wiggins, Councilmember
Clarence Mann, Councilmember
Roger Grider, Councilmember
Wallace Norrington, Councilmember
Billy Powell, Councilmember
Rick Yonce, Councilmember

Staff Present: Chief Wayne Rowland, Joe Nettleton, Charles Carpenter, and Janice Truhan

Mayor Maddox called the meeting to order. Prayer was given by Councilmember Norrington, and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Public Hearing was held regarding the proposed 2009 Budget. Comment was made by Nancy Coffman. The Mayor closed the hearing at 7:02 p.m.

Minutes of the November 3rd, November 12th and November 21st 2008 Called Meetings and the November 10th 2008 Regular meeting were considered. Minutes were approved unanimously. [*Motion: Yonce, 2nd: Mann, Vote: Unanimous*]

Public Comments were given by Mrs. Nancy Coffman, Mrs. Ann Wise and Mr. Turner regarding Zoning, the Chief of Police, bids and by Mr. Tyrone Aaron regarding the Martin Luther King parade.

A presentation by Janyce Hughes of the Georgia branch of the United States Census was given to discuss the importance of participation in the Census and Census employment.

A request by Mr. Dexter Matthews representing Clayton County N.A.A.C.P. regarding the Martin Luther King parade. Mr. Matthews wanted to know what is included in the fee for the parade, and made the statement that "We should be able to have the parade where ever we want".

Mayor Maddox requested a motion to enter Executive Session. Approved. [*Motion: Grider, 2nd: Norrington, Vote: Unanimous*].

Mayor Maddox called for a motion to resume the Regular meeting. Approved. [*Motion: Grider, 2nd: Norrington, Vote: Unanimous*].

The Council considered the following items A – F on the Agenda:

- A. Considered Alcohol License (Beer & Wine) for Glorious Business LLC DBA Next Level Food Mart. Approved. [*Motion: Grider, 2nd: Powell, Vote: Unanimous*].

- B. Considered Occupational Tax Certificate for the Palace Banquet Hall – 188 North Avenue. Motion made to deny, approved. [*Motion: Grider, 2nd: Powell, Vote: Unanimous*].
- C. Considered Fire Funds spending request by Mr. Ed Wise to paint three panels for the Jonesboro Firehouse Museum and Community Center. Approved. [*Motion: Mann, 2nd: Norrington, Vote: Unanimous*].
- D. Considered Fire Funds spending request by Mr. Ed Wise for the install of an alarm system in the Jonesboro Firehouse Museum and Community Center. Discussion ensued. Approved for install and monitoring by Mr. John Crane. [*Motion: Norrington, 2nd: Powell, Vote: Yea-Grider, Powell, Mann, Norrington, Yonce; Nay – Wiggins*].
- E. Considered Fire Funds spending request by Mr. Ed Wise, for the purchase and install of a 24KW Generator for the Jonesboro Firehouse Museum and Community Room. Discussion ensued. Approved. [*Motion: Grider, 2nd: Powell; Vote: Yea – Grider, Powell, Mann, Norrington, Yonce; Nay – Wiggins*]
- F. Considered Fire Funds spending request for the setting aside of \$19,000. in Fire Tax funds to pay the HTRG Fire Tax Credit with any fund balances remaining going to 2009 Jonesboro Days. Discussion ensued regarding remaining funds. Money goes into 2008 reserves and will be requested for Jonesboro Days in 2009. Approved. [*Motion: Grider, 2nd: Norrington Vote: Unanimous*]

The Council considered Other Business:

Mayor Maddox made mention of the following:

- √^o There will be a covered dish supper at 6:00 Thursday December 11th, 2008
- √^o There will be a Neighborhood Watch meeting December 15th, 2008 – at 6:30.
Location - 170 South Main Street.

Considered motion to adjourn. Approved. [*Motion: Mann, 2nd: Norrington, Vote: Unanimous*].

LUTHER W. MADDOX – MAYOR

JANICE TRUHAN - CITY CLERK