

**CITY OF JONESBORO
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 12, 2011**

The City of Jonesboro Mayor and Council held their regular meeting on Monday, September 12, 2011. The meeting was held at 7:00PM at the Jonesboro Police Department, 170 South Main Street, Jonesboro, Georgia.

Council Present: Luther Maddox, Mayor
Roger Grider, Council Member
Clarence Mann, Council Member
Wallace Norrington, Council Member
Pat Sebo, Council Member
Bobby Wiggins, Council Member
Joe Compton, Council Member

Staff Present: Joe Nettleton - Public Works Director; Sandra Meyers - Finance Officer; Chief Franklin Allen; Steven Fincher - City Attorney.

Mayor Maddox called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Council Member Mann, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments were given by Ms. Barbara Emert, Jon Crane, and Ms. Sonja Sleeper.

Council considered the approval of the minutes from August 1, 2011 Work Session. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Wiggins and the second was made by Council Member Grider. The vote was unanimous.

Council considered the approval of the minutes from August 8, 2011 Regular Session. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Norrington and the second was made by Council Member Grider. The vote was unanimous.

Council considered the approval of the minutes from the August 18, 2011 Public Hearing of the Tax Millage Rate. Motion was made by Council Member Mann and the second was made by Council Member Norrington. Members voting to approve were Council Members Mr. Grider, Mr. Compton, Mr. Norrington and Mr. Mann. Council Members absent from the August 18th meeting were Ms. Sebo and Mr. Wiggins.

OLD BUSINESS:

There were no items of old business for discussion.

NEW BUSINESS – Items A - J:

- A. Considered proposed contract from Safebuilt for Building Plan Reviews and Building Inspection Fees. The motion to approve the contract with the changes made by the City Attorney was made by Council Member Wiggins. The second was made by Council Member Mann and the vote was unanimous.

- B. Considered proposal from Safebuilt for Plan Review and Building Permit Fees. After some discussion the motion to postpone this approval until the October meeting was made by Council Member Compton, and the second was made by Council Member Norrington. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Maddox requested Mr. Mundt to re-submit the fees.
- C. Considered the Department of Revenue 911 prepaid wireless service fee and the related ordinance. After a brief discussion concerning the possibility of not approving this item, it was stated by the City Attorney that the fees are collected by the State and they distribute the funds. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Norrington and the second was made by Council Member Sebo. The vote was five members in favor, Mr. Wiggins, Mr. Mann, Mr. Norrington, Mr. Compton, and Ms. Sebo. Mr. Grider voted against the motion to approve. Motion carried.
- D. Considered approving the bathroom facility at Massengale Park. After some discussion with Mr. Nettleton, the motion to approve was made by Council Member Grider and the second was made by Council Member Norrington. The vote was unanimous.
- E. Considered the proposal for replacing the sign in front of City Hall. The motion to approve was made by Council Member Sebo and the second was made by Council Member Wiggins. After further discussion the vote was unanimous.
- F. Considered motion to adjourn for an executive session to discuss personnel and legal matters was made by Council Member Norrington and the second was made by Council Member Mann. The vote to adjourn for an executive session was unanimous. The regular session adjourned at 7:24 PM for the Executive Session.
- G. Considered motion to adjourn the Executive Session and resume the Regular Meeting was made by Council Member Grider and the second was made by Council Member Norrington. The vote was unanimous.
- H. Considered vote, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session. There was no vote taken.
- I. Considered a motion to postpone setting the tax millage rate until October was made by Council Member Grider and the second for the motion was made by Council Member Norrington. The vote was Unanimous.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Council Member Wiggins stated that he would like to see the sign ordinance amended in clarifying that political signs are not stake signs. Mayor Maddox stated that maybe after the first of the year we could fine tune the entire ordinance.
 - Mayor Maddox announced the cover dish supper would be on Thursday, September 15th, beginning at 6PM at the Firehouse Museum; and th Neighborhood Watch would be held at 6:30 PM on September 19th at the Police Department.
- J. Considered a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Councilmember Compton and the second was made by Councilmember Norrington. The vote

was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 7:50PM.

LUTHER W. MADDOX, MAYOR

Sandra Meyers, Finance Officer