



City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Public Works Council Committee

Tuesday, March 3, 2026

5:00 PM

Municipal Center, 300 S. Church

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL (ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE) CONFIRMED BY CITY CLERK APRIL LEGGETT

Present 6 - John Street; Kevin Miller; LJ Bryant; Ann Williams; Chris Moore and Charles Coleman

Absent 2 - Anthony Coleman and Janice Porter

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[MIN-26:011](#)

Minutes for the Public Works Committee meeting on Tuesday, February 03, 2026

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Chris Moore, seconded by Ann Williams, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 6 - Kevin Miller; LJ Bryant; Anthony Coleman; Ann Williams; Chris Moore and Charles Coleman

Absent: 1 - Janice Porter

4. NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTIONS TO BE INTRODUCED

[RES-26:017](#)

A RESOLUTION BY THE JONESBORO CITY COUNCIL TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT A PERMANENT DRAINAGE EASEMENT FROM BRIDGE DISTRICT INVESTMENTS, LLC. FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND MAINTAINING DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

Sponsors: Engineering

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

Councilmember Chris Moore said, Mr. Chair, where's that at? Chairman John Street said, Brookfield's first... Craig. Engineering Department Director Craig Light approached the podium and said, this is over on Cate Street. It's one of the pipes that goes from Cate Street north towards the railroad. It's actually underneath one of the buildings, the existing piping system, and it's somehow cross connected with City Water and Lights sanitary sewer system, and we're wanting to relocate it into this new easement and abandon that old system since there's a problem with it. It's

underneath the building that we can't maintain and there's an issue with that cross connection that's causing basically the flooding is City Water and Light sanitary sewer system. Chairman John Street said, its relocation isn't it, of a pipe that's already in existence? Director Craig Light said, yeah.

A motion was made by Chris Moore, seconded by Ann Williams, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 6 - Kevin Miller;LJ Bryant;Anthony Coleman;Ann Williams;Chris Moore and Charles Coleman

Absent: 1 - Janice Porter

[RES-26:018](#)

RESOLUTION REQUESTING FREE UTILITY SERVICES FROM CITY WATER AND LIGHT FOR A TRAFFIC SIGNAL

Sponsors: Engineering

A motion was made by Chris Moore, seconded by Ann Williams, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 6 - Kevin Miller;LJ Bryant;Anthony Coleman;Ann Williams;Chris Moore and Charles Coleman

Absent: 1 - Janice Porter

[RES-26:019](#)

RESOLUTION REQUESTING FREE UTILITY SERVICES FROM CITY WATER AND LIGHT FOR BUS SHELTERS

Sponsors: Engineering and JETS

Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, I do have a question. Chairman John Street said, yes sir Dr. Coleman. Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, good to see you today and everyone. So, those bus stops, two parts. One, I know the lights and utilities for that, are they the ones that's covered? Is this for the lights that's going to be covered? And kind of all the above and where we are with the covering of those various stops. JETS Department Director Lee Wells approached the podium and said, so what these shelters will have, they'll have an LED lighting system that will be in there to provide lighting for people to feel safe whenever they're at the shelter. And then also an LED display screen which will show the bus times of when the bus will arrive. This is all a part of that shelter grant process that we're doing. It's the reason why we have so many of them. This is a combination of the existing shelters that we had in town plus some additions that we were able to do with these 45 shelters we were able to get.

Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, so, with the 45 and the others, would that be all 100 percent with shelters now? Bus stops? Director Lee Wells said, no, we've got about 140 approximately bus stops all over town. Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, gotcha. Sorry, I didn't know that. Director Lee Wells said, yeah. Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, that's good. Thank you. That's all I had.

Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman said, I have a question, the lights, are they going to be protected? Director Lee Wells said, yes. Yes, that's one of the things that we've been working on. Is to find a system that was not only viable to use to provide the light, but also that would be both safe to the public and also efficiently protect itself when it's in place.

Councilmember Ann Williams said, and it's LED you said? Director Lee Wells said,

yes, so and that's the reason why I bring that up is because that's very low power usage on that.

Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, so I have a follow-up with Dr. Coleman. I think he asked a good question. Those screens, is that like a, forgive me for my lack of knowledge, like a TV screen or something? I mean it will have bars in front of it, I mean. Director Lee Wells said, no. It is similar but what it is it is a, for lack of a better way to explain it, it is a very large metal box. And when I say metal, I mean it's thick encased metal that locks up. The wires run into it. All the components are inside it. It also has ports for air and things like that to come through. Fans that are built into it. There's actually a heater in it as well. I know we don't get to those types of temperatures, but if it did drop low enough, it would actually turn a heat strip on that would heat the inside to keep the components from freezing up. It's just an all-in-one encased piece that has that protective shell around it. There's an LED screen, a display screen, it's similar to a TV but it's not quite the same, that is inside that. And then there's also a casing on the outside of that LED screen that protects that screen in case anyone where to attempt to damage that in any way. Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, good. Thank you.

A motion was made by Chris Moore, seconded by Ann Williams, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 6 - Kevin Miller;LJ Bryant;Anthony Coleman;Ann Williams;Chris Moore and Charles Coleman

Absent: 1 - Janice Porter

[RES-26:020](#)

A RESOLUTION BY THE JONESBORO CITY COUNCIL TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH MEADOWS CONTRACTORS, LLC. FOR A CRAIGHEAD FOREST PARK ATV TRAIL REHAB PROJECT (ARDOT JOB NO. 101148 (2026:01)

Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [Contract Documents 2026 01.pdf](#)
[Bid Tab.pdf](#)

Chairman John Street said, Meadows was the low bidder at \$144,358.70, and the next one and the only other one was Crabtree and Sons. They were at \$174,832.

Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, I have one. This ATV, is that the same one as that other, and you probably can answer this, but is that the one with the... Chairman John Street said, Jim, would you come up to... Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, didn't we just have one two or three years ago? I forget what you call it. Y'all know what I'm talking about? Where you have the... *someone said something of mic* Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, oh ok. So, this is something different? *someone said something of mic* Parks Department Director Jim Stearns said, so this ATV is out at Craighead Forest to give emergency access to the trails if in the event something happen. So the improvement work is really to improve some of the water drainage to make sure that the EMTs have access to the entire park in the event of something unfortunate happen. Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, gotcha. Something different? Gotcha.

A motion was made by Chris Moore, seconded by Ann Williams, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 6 - Kevin Miller;LJ Bryant;Anthony Coleman;Ann Williams;Chris Moore and Charles Coleman

Absent: 1 - Janice Porter

5. PENDING ITEMS

6. OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember LJ Bryant said, Mr. Chairman, I don't know that it fits into Public Works, but why not. And Brian, I emailed you on this and I realized I think I emailed your old email address and it popped back, and then I didn't ever send it to the right email address. But I copied Derrel on it. Back in the old days we used to like look at permits and how many permits from the previous year, what was the volume of the permits on commercial and residential. And I feel like we haven't done that. I felt like the media used to do that and I feel like they don't do that anymore either. So I think that would be great if y'all could, I don't know, do that for us every six months or something another so that we had that. Chief Administrative Officer Brian Richardson approached the podium and said, sure, we can especially now that all that stuff goes into Project Docs and we can pretty easily pull a report. And there will be some statistics presented later at the State of the City that also cover some of those from last year. So, we can put that report together.

Engineering Department Director Craig Light approached the podium and said, an answer to Mr. Bryant's question, the Matrix Group has been doing our study of our permitting process. They've compiled a lot of that information for the last three years, and they're planning to give a presentation sometime in early April to City Council. So, you will get that information for the last three years.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

8. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Anthony Coleman, seconded by Chris Moore, that this meeting be Adjourned. The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 6 - Kevin Miller;LJ Bryant;Anthony Coleman;Ann Williams;Chris Moore and Charles Coleman

Absent: 1 - Janice Porter