

**CITY OF JONESBORO
WORK SESSION
170 SOUTH MAIN STREET
November 14, 2016 – 5:00 PM**

MINUTES

The City of Jonesboro Mayor & Council held their Work Session on Monday, November 14, 2016. The meeting was held at 5:00 PM at the Jonesboro Police Station, 170 South Main Street, Jonesboro, Georgia.

I. CALL TO ORDER - MAYOR JOY B. DAY

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Joy B. Day	Mayor	Present	
Jack Bruce	Councilmember	Present	
Larry Boak	Councilmember	Absent	
Pat Sebo	Councilmember	Present	
Billy Powell	Councilmember	Present	
Ed Wise	Councilmember	Present	
Ricky Clark	City Administrator	Present	
Franklin Allen	Chief of Police	Present	
Pat Daniel	Assistant City Clerk	Present	

II. BUDGET WORK SESSION

A. Conversation relative to the FY' 17 Proposed Budget.

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

At this time, both Mayor Day & City Administrator Clark presented the FY' 2017 Budget to Council.

Mr. Clark advised that the FY' 17 Budget achieves the following:

- No increase in the millage rate, remains constant at 1.5mills
- Increases the cash funding dedicated to capital projects, including additional funds for events and the upkeep of the newly reclaimed Lee Street Park
- Provides a 2% step increase for all employees hired before October 1, 2016
- Emphasizes public safety increasing the amount of investigators on staff from one to two
- No cuts in personnel of any full-time employees.
- One full-time position of Executive Assistant to the City Administrator and Mayor
- One full-time Investigator for the Police Department.
- \$10,000 appropriation to the Downtown Development Authority.

Governmental Funds Synopsis:

City Hall/Administration

The FY2017 proposed City Hall budget is \$1,102,249.00 which is a 6.0 percent increase from the FY2016 adopted budget. The primary changes to the budget include the first principal payment for Lee Street Park. In addition, this budget includes funding for one Executive Assistant Position. Due to a cost savings measure pertaining to insurance, the City Hall Budget also includes a 22% savings in the cost of insurance. Further, the City Hall Budget includes funding for the furthering the City's desire for rebranding, marketing & five city concerts. Included in the City Hall Budget is an appropriation of \$5,000 as seed money to kick-off the Jonesboro Beautification Commission and its efforts. Lastly, the budget includes the enhancement of payroll software for the purpose of efficiently calculating personnel costs & benefits.

Office of Code Enforcement

The FY2017 proposed Code Enforcement budget is \$68,424.00 which is a 14.0 percent decrease from the FY2016 adopted budget. The primary changes to the Code Enforcement's budget includes a deduction in the costs associated with the dilapidated house demolition program as handled by the Code Enforcement Office. The FY2017 budget also includes a savings of approximately 14.0 percent in healthcare.

Office of Court Services

The FY2017 proposed Court Services budget is \$345,650.00 which is a 4.2 percent increase from the FY2016 adopted budget. The largest contributing factor to the increase within the Court Services department, was the increase in the Solicitors Salary & the Judges salary due to the increased number of court sessions held for Municipal Court operations.

Police Department

The FY2017 proposed Police Department budget is \$2,146,034 which is a 6.0 percent decrease from the FY2016 adopted budget. The proposed budget includes one additional full-time Criminal Investigator. Further, the proposed budget freezes the third approved Park Ranger position until the Spring of 2017 as usage in the park is expected to be higher than winter months. The proposed Police Department budget also includes several line item decreases and a decrease in the fuel usage. Further, the Police Department budget includes a 15% cost savings for employee group insurance. Lastly, the proposed budget includes the debt service for the three vehicles purchased last year. At current, no additional vehicles will be purchased out of the FY2017 General Fund budget.

III. ADJOURNMENT

A. Motion to Adjourn.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Billy Powell, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Ed Wise, Councilmember
AYES:	Day, Bruce, Sebo, Powell, Boak, Wise, Dixon

JOY B. DAY – MAYOR

RICKY L. CLARK, JR. – CITY ADMINISTRATOR