Brookland Planning Commission Meeting January 7, 2019

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Steve Phillips. Commissioners present: Jerry Blair, Tara Reed, and Steve Phillips. Absent: Ralph Crain, and Earl Owens.

Jerry Blair made a motion to approve the December 10, 2018 Brookland Planning Commission minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Tara Reed. Chair Phillips stated motion and second and then opened motion for discussion. Being no discussion, Chair Phillips called for a vote. It was announced motion to approve December 10, 2018 Brookland Planning Commission minutes passed 3 yeas to 0 nays.

Chair Phillips called for nominations for 2019 Chairperson. Jerry Blair made a motion for Steve Phillips to continue as Chairperson of the Brookland Planning Commission in 2019. The motion was seconded by Tara Reed. Chair Phillips stated motion and second and then opened the floor for any further discussion. Being none, Chair Phillips called for a vote. It was announced motion to appoint Steve Phillips as Chairperson for the Brookland Planning Commission in 2019 had passed, 3 yeas to 0 nays.

Chair Phillips called for nominations for Co-Chairperson. Steve Phillips made a motion for Jerry Blair to continue as Co-Chairman of the Brookland Planning Commission in 2019. The motion was seconded by Tara Reed. Chair Phillips stated motion and second and then opened the floor for any further discussion. Being none, Chair Phillips called for a vote. It was announced motion to appoint Jerry Blair as Co-Chairman for the Brookland Planning Commission in 2019 had passed 3 yeas to 0 nays.

Mayor Jones addressed the Commission with news and possible ideas for the upcoming 2019 year. The mayor announced that Consultant James Walden would no longer be available. Mr. Walden accepted a job in central Arkansas that will not allow him to make the meetings. It was discussed if a replacement was necessary. It was decided to check on the options to see what would serve the city best before deciding. The Mayor also noted that Mr. Walden is working on the update of the booklet and will send them to the city as soon as possible.

Mayor Jones announced that the Brookland Fire Protection District has a new chief. Wayne Reece will be serving in that capacity for the district. It was noted that Mr. Reece would be interested in attending the PC meetings to be more involved in the community. It was also discussed about the growth of the city and plans to expand in the future.

The commission discussed the possibility of moving the meeting night of the Planning Commission to the first Tuesday night of the month instead of Mondays. This would allow more freedom for other officials to attend the meeting. After a discussion of the pros and cons, it was decided to make the change. Jerry Blair made a motion to move the meeting night of the Brookland Planning Commission to the first Tuesday of every month. The motion was seconded by Tara Reed. Chair Phillips stated motion and second and then opened the floor for any further discussion. Being none, Chair Phillips called for a vote. It was announced the motion had passed, 3 yeas to 0 nays.

Chair Phillips asked if there was anything else from the commission. No response.

Chair Phillips asked if there was anything from the floor. Chester Agee asked about zoning on some property he has in the city. The commission answered his question to his satisfaction.

Jerry Blair made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Tara Reed. Chair Phillips called for a vote. Chair Phillips announced motion to adjourn passed 3 yeas to 0 nays.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM by Chair Steve Phillips.