Brookland Special City Council Meeting

Thursday, February 24, 2022

Meeting Call to Order @ 6:00 by Mayor Kenneth Jones

Roll Call: Pam McGee, Wilson Shipman, Jason Cooper, Mayor Kenneth Jones were present. Absent: Martin Crain, Mike Bishop, David Gambill, Bill Dacus Clerk/Treasurer, Kevin Orr C/A.

Mayor Jones stated that PTL. Rachel (Carmack) Anderson, Real Time Crime Center Digital Media Officer/Video Analysis was here to do presentation of the traffic camera systems the City of Jonesboro Police Department is currently Using.

Officer Anderson introduced herself and Wade Shapp to all in attendance. Officer Carmack said Mr. Shapp was hired to work in Real Time Crime Center with her. Officer Anderson spoke to all in attendance about the many uses that the Grid camera system has helped Jonesboro Grid camera has helped police officers. Officer Anderson showed us real time intersections and how the camera works. We were shown an accident scene in which video helped officers determine cause. Officer Anderson then showed us how the license plate reader cameras worked Officer Anderson showed a demo for us solely based on typing in a red truck. All cameras showed pictures of red trucks that went through each intersection. Officer Carmack was able to show how plain the picture was on retrieving license plate information.

Following discussion Officer Anderson asked if there was anything else. The council and I thanked them for taking the time to show the benefits of both camera systems.

Council talked with Chief Jon Moore and Captain Janssen Settlemoir how they thought the camera system would assist Brookland PD. Chief Moore and Captain Settlemoir went through several incidents that happened in Brookland last year to date. Explained how one incident involving a local business on HWY 49 was broken into and items stole. The vehicle involved made several trips from business to HWY 49 and School Street turning west. We were able to piece this together from private video. However, we were not able to get other types of information because private cameras were located to far from the intersection. If we had this camera systems at the intersection of HWY49 and School Street, it could have been very helpful.

Wilson Shipman made motion to adjourn. 2nd by Jason Cooper. Mayor Jones stated the motion and asked for a vote. Motion to dismiss was approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Minutes taken by Mayor Kenneth Jones