

MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
September 5, 2017
6:00 PM

The Mayor opened the September 5, 2017 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to order. Present were Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee, City Attorney Jerry Mills, and City Clerk Paula Tierce. Absent was Alderman Chuck Gautier and Alderman Brian Ramsey. The meeting was opened with an invocation by Alderman Kevin Holder followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen were provided a copy of the City Attorney statement for services through August 25, 2017.

Next came the recognition of Officer Erin Boyd for being selected July 2017 Officer of the Month. Mayor McGee informed the Board of Aldermen that on July 24, 2017, Officer Erin Boyd responded to a medical aid call in reference to an unconscious subject in a vehicle on Lake Harbour Drive who was possibly going into cardiac arrest. Upon Officer Boyd's arrival, she observed that the subject was unresponsive and had not vital signs. Officer Boyd, who is also a certified paramedic, immediately extracted the subject from the vehicle and began administering CPR until Ridgeland Fire Department medical personnel arrived on scene. The subject became responsive and was transported by ambulance to the hospital. Due to Officer Boyd's emergency medical experience, quick thinking and initiative, she provided life-saving medical attention and saved the life of another human being. Officer Boyd continues to remain as asset to this department. Mayor McGee commended Officer Erin Boyd on a job well done and thanked her for her service to the City of Ridgeland.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the August 14, 2017 Work Session and the August 15, 2017 Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

PUBLIC HEARING

Next came the public hearing to for Proposed Fiscal Year 2018 Budget. The Mayor opened the public hearing and the City Clerk adjudicated that proper and timely notice was advertised by state law. A copy of the notice is attached hereto as Exhibit "A". The Mayor asked the audience if there was anyone present that would like to speak on the proposed Fiscal Year 2018 Budget and there was no response. The Mayor then closed the pubic hearing.

Next came the matter to Adopt 2017 Tax Rolls. Alderman D.I. Smith moved to approve. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Kevin Holder and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

- Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee
- Nay(s): None
- Absent: Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Brian Ramsey

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried. A copy of the tax values for 2017 is attached

hereto as Exhibit "B" with the tax rolls being maintained in the City Clerk's Office.

Next came the consideration of the Order to Levy Tax Millage. Alderman Kevin Holder moved to approve. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Wesley Hamlin and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee

Nay(s): None

Absent: Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Brian Ramsey

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried. A copy of the Order is attached hereto as Exhibit "C".

Next came the consideration of the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget. Alderman Kevin Holder moved to approve. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Wesley Hamlin and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Bill Lee

Nay(s): Alderman D.I. Smith

Absent: Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Brian Ramsey

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried. A copy of the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget is attached hereto as Exhibit "C".

Next came the cleaning of private property located at 525 Sycamore Circle, Ridgeland, Madison County, Mississippi. City Clerk Paula Tierce adjudicated proper notice to the landowner. A copy of the Notice of Hearing is attached hereto as Exhibit "D". Inspector Drew Smith provided photographs of the subject property, which are attached hereto as Exhibit "E", and requested that the property be declared a menace to the public health and safety of the community. The Mayor asked if there was any person present who wanted to speak about the property and Silas Murray responded stating that he was present representing J. P. Morgan Chase Bank. Mr. Murray stated that the property was in bankruptcy and requested that the matter be continued. Alderman Ken Heard moved to continue the matter until September 19, 2017. The motion was seconded by Alderman D. I. Smith and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee

Nay(s): None

Absent: Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Brian Ramsey

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

(Alderman Brian Ramsey joined the meeting at 6:20 pm)

Next came the consideration of the items set out on the Consent Agenda. Alderman Wesley Hamlin moved to approve the Consent Agenda:

- a) 705 Greenbrook Drive Cost Resolution - *Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "F"*
- b) Reset Public Hearing for the Consideration of Amendment Number 5 to the Official Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ridgeland before the Mayor and Board of Aldermen - September 19, 2017 - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "G"*
- c) Approve Letter of Engagement with Haddox Reid Eubank Betts PLLC for FY2017 Audit - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "H"*
- d) Approve Special Event Permit for Sysco Jackson, LLC - Sysco Company Picnic - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "I"*
- e) Approve Special Event Permit for City of Ridgeland Parks & Recreation - Mayor's Fun Walk - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "J"*
- f) Declare Harrell a Sole Source Provider for Polyon Fertilizer - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "K"*
- g) Appoint a Selection Committee for Debris Monitoring and Debris Removal - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "L"*
- h) Approve Public Works Term Bids for October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018 - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "M"*
- i) Approve Request to Re-Advertise for Asphalt Bids - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "N"*
- j) Approve Renewal of US Lawns Contract for County Line Road Landscaping - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "O"*
- k) Approve Lake Harbour Drive Extension Preliminary Engineering Contract Pay Estimate #51 - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "P"*
- l) Approve East Lake Harbour Drive Rehabilitation CE&I Professional Services Contract with Waggoner Engineering Contingent Upon MDOT Approval - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "Q"*
- m) Approve Revised Lake Harbour Drive Extension Phase "A" Box Culvert CE&I Professional Services Contract Contingent Upon MDOT Approval - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "R"*
- n) Receive June 2017 and July 2018 Privilege License Report - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "S"*

The motion was seconded by Alderman Kevin Holder and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee
Nay(s): None
Absent: Alderman Chuck Gautier

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Next came the payment of Claims #140699 - 141076 excluding Costco related charges in Claim #140969, August 18, 2017 Payroll and September 1, 2017 Payroll. Alderman Ken Heard moved to approve. The Motion was seconded by Alderman D.I. Smith and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee
Nay(s): None
Absent: Alderman Chuck Gautier

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Next came the payment of the Costco related charges in Claim #140969 (\$4,650.00). Alderman Wesley Hamlin moved to approve. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Kevin Holder and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith
Nay(s): Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Bill Lee
Absent: Alderman Chuck Gautier

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Mayor McGee informed the Board of Aldermen of the need to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. Alderman Brian Ramsey moved to go into Closed Session to discuss the need of going into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. Alderman D. I. Smith seconded the motion and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee
Nay(s): None
Absent: Alderman Chuck Gautier

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Brian Ramsey moved to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. The motion was seconded by Alderman D. I. Smith and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee
Nay(s): None

Absent: Alderman Chuck Gautier
The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Brian Ramsey moved to leave Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wes Hamlin and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee
Nay(s): None
Absent: Alderman Chuck Gautier
The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

The Mayor reopened the meeting and announced that no action was taken by the Board of Aldermen during the Executive Session.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, the _____ day of September, 2017.

GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK