

**MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
September 4, 2018
6:00 PM**

The Mayor opened the September 4, 2018 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to order. Present were Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee, City Attorney Jerry Mills, and City Clerk Paula Tierce. The meeting was opened with an invocation by Mayor Gene McGee followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The Mayor & Board of Aldermen were provided a copy of the City Attorney's statement for services through August 29, 2018.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the August 20, 2018 Work Session and the August 21, 2018 Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

**PUBLIC HEARING
FISCAL YEAR 2019 BUDGET**

Next came the public hearing for the proposed Fiscal Year 2019 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 and there was no response; a copy of the list is attached hereto as Exhibit "B". The Mayor then closed the public hearing.

Next came the consideration to adopt the 2018 Tax Rolls. Alderman Kevin Holder moved to approve. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Chuck Gautier and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

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

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried. The 2018 Tax Rolls are maintained by the City Clerk's Office and available upon request.

Next came the consideration of the Order to Levy Tax Millage. Alderman Brian Ramsey moved to approve. The Motion was seconded by Alderman D.I. Smith and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

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

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 2019 Budget. City Clerk Paula Tierce presented the proposed Fiscal Year 2019 Budget. Alderman Wesley Hamlin moved to approve. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Chuck Gautier and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

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

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried. A copy of the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget is attached hereto as Exhibit "D".

Next came the consideration to clean the property located at 204 Clay Street. Georgia Trebisky, Code Enforcement Officer, advised the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that there had been a tax sale on said property and requested the matter be removed from the agenda.

Next came the consideration of the Petition and Application for Conditional Use Permit for The Reserve. Jeremy Mears of The Brownstone Companies contacted Alan Hart, Director of Community Development, via email on August 31, 2018 and requested that the Petition and Application be withdrawn.

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

a) - Authorize Advertising for Sealed Bids for the Surplus Property Located at 614 Berridge Drive - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "E"

b) - Approve Re-Appointment of Scott May as Hotel/Lodging Representative to Ridgeland Tourism Board of Directors for Three Year Appointment - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "F"

c) - Adjudicate Cost Cleaning for 100 Fox Run Drive - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "G"

d) - Approve Special Event Permit for Colonial Heights Baptist Church - Hearts of Compassion 5K and Fun Run - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "H"

e) - Approve Special Event Permit for Business Communications, Inc - BCI Open House - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "I"

f) - Approve Special Event Permit for Cspire - Cspire Company Picnic - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "J"

g) - Approve Special Event Permit for Southern AgCredit - Jingle Bell Jog - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "K"

h) - Approve Special Event Permit for Ridgeland High School - Homecoming Parade - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "L"

i) - Approve Recommendation of Award for Lake Harbour Drive Ext. Phase "A" Box Culvert Bids - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "M"

j) - Approve Recommendation of Award for East Jackson Street Multi-Use-Path Bids - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "N"

k) - Approve Recommendation of Award for Term Bids - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "O"

l) - Approve East Lake Harbour Drive Rehabilitation Final CE&I Pay Estimate #7 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "P"

m) - Approve East Lake Harbour Drive Rehabilitation Contractors Pay Estimate #4 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "Q"

n) - Authorization to Advertise for New Sweeper Truck - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "R"

o) - Authorization to Advertise for Mosquito Control Services - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "S"

p) - Authorization to Advertise for Lake Harbour Drive Extension Phase "B" Roadway and Bridge Improvements, Contingent on MDOT Approval - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "T"

q) - Approve East Lake Harbour Drive Rehabilitation Contract Amendment and Final Quantity Adjustment - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "U"

r) - Approve East Lake Harbour Drive Rehabilitation CE&I Pay Estimate #6 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "V"

Alderman Wesley Hamlin seconded the motion and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

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

Nay(s): None

Abstention(s): None

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Next came the payment of Claims 148404 - 148638 excluding the Costco Related fees in Claim #148507. Alderman D.I. Smith moved to approve. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Chuck Gautier and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

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

Nay(s): None

Abstention(s): None

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Next came the payment of the Costco Related charges in Claim #148570. Alderman Wesley Hamlin moved to approve. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Chuck Gautier and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith

Nay(s): Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Bill Lee

Abstention(s): None

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

City Attorney, Jerry Mills, provided information to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen regarding work being performed in City of Ridgeland right-of-ways.

The Mayor announced the need to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation.

Alderman Brian Ramsey moved to go into Closed Session to discuss the need of going into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. Alderman Bill Lee seconded the motion and a vote was taken

thereon as follows:

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

Nay(s): None

Abstention(s): None

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Brian Ramsey moved to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. The motion was seconded by Alderman Chuck Gautier and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

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

Nay(s): None

Abstention(s): None

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

(Police Chief John Neal announced that the Board of Aldermen were going into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation.)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Kevin Holder moved to leave Executive Session. Alderman Chuck Gautier seconded the motion and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

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

Nay(s): None

Abstention(s): None

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 Executive Session.

There being no further business before the Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the _____ day of September, 2018.

GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK