

**MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
December 18, 2018
6:00 PM**

The Mayor opened the December 18, 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, City Attorney John Scanlon, and City Clerk Paula Tierce. Mayor McGee introduced the members of Boy Scout Troop 302 of Covenant Presbyterian Church who were present working on their Communications badge. The members present were Will Graven, Adams Kennedy, Win Hooker, Merritt Nations, Tad Carpenter, and Owen Carter. Boy Scout Will Graven gave the opening invocation followed by the pledge of allegiance, which was led by Boy Scout Adams Kennedy.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen were provided the November 2018 Financial Statement and the December 2018 Sales Tax Report.

Next came the recognition of Detective Hunter Bridges for being named "Officer of the Month" for November 2018. Mayor McGee announced that during the month of November 2018, Detective Hunter Bridges initiated and conducted numerous hours of surveillance at local hotels in an effort to identify drug activity that could possibly lead to the apprehension of individuals dealing or trafficking narcotics in the City of Ridgeland. Detective Bridges was able to conduct multiple arrests and interviews as a result of this surveillance, which was shared with the Gulf Coast High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Task Force. This intelligence will assist in additional covert operations through HIDTA to greatly affect the drug trade in the metro area. Detective Hunter Bridges' initiative, knowledge and training resulted in multiple arrests and a successful undercover operation. Mayor McGee stated that Detective Bridges is a great asset to the Ridgeland Police Department and thanked him for his hard work and dedication to the City of Ridgeland.

Next came the recognition of Sergeant Jeff Thames and Sergeant Jason Rudd for completing the FBI LEEDA Trilogy which is the Supervisor Leadership Institute, the Command Leadership Institute, and the Executive Leadership Institute. Chief John Neal informed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that completing the LEEDA Trilogy prepares them for the next step of advancement in the Ridgeland Police Department.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the December 17, 2018 Work Session and the December 18, 2018 Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

Next came the consideration of the Site Plan / Architectural Review for ProSource Materials Warehouse, which was previously tabled. 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 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 Site Plan and rendering are attached hereto

Next came the consideration of the 518 Boardwalk Siding Request. Alderman Brian Ramsey moved to approve the use of hardie siding in lieu of the cypress siding. 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.

Next came the consideration of the Petition and Application for Conditional Use Permit - Family Dollar Stores of Mississippi, Inc. - 398 Highway 51. Alderman Wesley Hamlin moved to approve. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Bill Lee 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 Ordinance is attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

(Alderman Chuck Gautier left the meeting and recused himself.)

Next came the consideration of the Utility Easement Agreement between the Township, LLC and the City of Ridgeland. Alderman Kevin Holder moved to authorize the Mayor to sign and accept the Utility Easement once all requirements by the Public Works Department and Kerioth Corporation are met. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Brian Ramsey 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 announced that Item "a" of the Consent Agenda needed to be removed and addressed separately at the request of Alderman Brian Ramsey.

(Alderman Chuck Gautier re-entered the meeting.)

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

a) - Approve Special Event Permit for Sisu Race Timing - Miles for Migraine 5K - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "C"

b) - Approve Lake Harbour Drive Extension Phase "B" Roadway & Bridge Improvements Construction Engineering & Inspection Professional Services Contract with Waggoner Engineering, Inc. - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "D"

c) - Approve Rejection of Bids for Highland Colony Parkway Rehabilitation Project - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "E"

d) - Approve Mississippi 811 Agreement for 2019 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "F"

e) - Authorize Advertising Request for Proposals for Ridgeland Life Magazine - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "G"

f) - Approve Budget Amendment Decreasing Account 011-000-192 \$89,416, Increasing Account 011-101-720 \$74,968 and Increasing Account 011-101-730 \$14,448 for the Employee Fitness Center - Resolution Attached Hereto as Exhibit "H"

g) - Approve Budget Transfer of \$15,000 from 001-201-576 to 001-201-603 - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "I"

h) - Receive November 2018 Business License Report - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit

"J"

i) - Approve Utility Easement Agreement between the City of Ridgeland and Michael and Angela Graeber - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "K"

Alderman Kevin Holder 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 150572 - 150914 and December 12, 2018 Payroll (\$1,086,886.58). Alderman Wesley Hamlin 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.

(Alderman Brian Ramsey left the meeting and totally recused himself.)

Next came the consideration of the Horne Building Parking Adjustment of eight (8) spaces and the Minor Site Plan Amendment. Alderman Kevin Holder moved to grant the parking adjustment and approve the minor Site Plan Amendment. 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 D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee

Nay(s): None

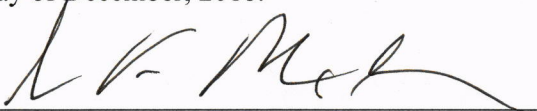
Absent: Alderman Brian Ramsey

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried. A copy of the revised site plan is attached hereto as Exhibit "L".

(Alderman Brian Ramsey reentered the meeting.)

There being no further business before the Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:24 p.m.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 21st day of December, 2018.



GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:



PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK

