

MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
August 6, 2019
6:00 PM

The Mayor called the August 6, 2019 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to order. Present were Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Mayor Pro Tempore Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee, City Attorney Jerry Mills, and City Clerk Paula Tierce. After the recognition of Boy Scout Troop 30, St. Luke's Catholic Church, who were present working on the Citizenship in the Community Badge, the meeting was opened with an invocation by Boy Scout Andrew Smith followed by the pledge of allegiance, which was led by Boy Scout Iajn Brumley.

Next came the recognition of Detective Corey Clark for being selected "Officer of the Month" for June 2019. Mayor McGee announced that on June 18, 2019, detectives were called out to investigate the murder of a young man at Midway Park. Detective Corey Clark was the first investigator on scene and throughout this investigation, he has played a key role in collecting evidence, suspect development, warrant preparation as well as the arrest and interview of suspects. Corporal Clark has only been assigned to the Criminal Investigations Division for approximately three weeks and his diligence, patience and attention to detail has kept this investigation focused and will be of great value at trial. Mayor McGee commended the actions of Detective Corey Clark and thanked him for his hard work and dedication to the City of Ridgeland. Detective Corey Clark thanked the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the opportunity to serve in the City of Ridgeland.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the July 15, 2019 and July 30, 2019 Work Session and the July 16, 2019 Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

Mayor McGee announced that Agenda Item "b" was being removed because the property had been cleaned.

Next came the consideration of declaring the property located at 1885 Lincolnshire Boulevard a menace to the public health, safety, and/or welfare of the community pursuant to Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code, Annotated. City Clerk Paula Tierce adjudicated that property notice was made, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A". Alan Hart, Director of Community Development, presented photographs of the property that was taken on August 6, 2019 at 10:36 a.m., which are attached hereto as Exhibit "B". After discussion, Mayor Pro Tempore Kevin Holder moved to declare the property located at 1885 Lincolnshire Boulevard a menace to the public health, safety, and/or welfare of the community pursuant to Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code, Annotated. Alderman D. I. Smith seconded the motion and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Mayor Pro Tempore 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 Consent Agenda. Alderman Wesley Hamlin moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- a) - Architectural Review for 610 Highway 51 - Raney Rives - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "C"*
- b) - Architectural Review for Q&M Shell - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "D"*
- c) - Change Order Number 4 for City Center Site Work - Phase 1 Hemphill Contract - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "E"*
- d) - Notice of Award for City Hall - Mid State Construction, Shivers Construction Company, LLC, and J.L. Roberts Mechanical Contracting, LLC - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "F"*
- e) - Adopt Resolution Approving Interlocal Agreement between City of Ridgeland and Madison County for the Higginbotham Automotive Project - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "G"*
- f) - Surplus Equipment (Fire Department) - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "H"*
- g) - Approve Street Department Budget Amendment for Landscaping at Exit 105 on I-55, Decreasing 001-201-420 (Salaries) \$12,500.00 and Increasing 001-201-604 (Professional Fees) \$12,500.00 - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "I"*
- h) - Approve Street Department Budget Amendment for Old Agency Road and Old Agency Parkway, Increasing 001-000-279 (\$400,000.00) and Increase 001-201-603 (\$397,880.08) and Increase 001-201-575 (\$2,119.92) - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "J"*
- i) - Approve Renewal of Edko Spraying Contract for Ditches and Highland Colony Parkway and Price Adjustment - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "K"*
- j) - Approve Lake Harbour Drive Extension Phase "B" Roadway and Bridge Contractor Pay Estimate #3 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "L"*
- k) - Approve Lake Harbour Dr. Extension Phase "A" CN Railroad Box Culvert Invoice for Canadian National-Illinois Central Railroad - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "M"*
- l) - Approve Special Event Permit for Southern AgCredit - Jingle Bell Jog - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "N"*
- m) - Approve Special Event Permit for Living Testament - Going Blue for Myositis - Order*

Attached Hereto As Exhibit "O"

n) - Appoint Todd Leach of Springhill Suites to the Ridgeland Tourism Commission as the Hotel/Lodging Industry Representative - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "P"

o) - Authorize Updating Appraisal for Property Located at 304 Highway 51 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "Q"

p) - Declare 304 Highway 51 Surplus Pursuant to Section 21-17-1 of the Mississippi Code, Annotated - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "R"

q) - Receive July 2019 Privilege License Report - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "S"

r) - Approve Sewer Adjustments - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "T"

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, Mayor Pro Tempore 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 155100 - 155513, July 19, 2019 Payroll, and August 2, 2019 Payroll (\$4,472,503.34). Alderman Ken Heard moved to approve. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Kevin Holder and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Mayor Pro Tempore 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 announced the need of going into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. Alderman Brian Ramsey moved to go into Closed Session to discuss pending litigation. Alderman D. I. Smith seconded the motion and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Mayor Pro Tempore 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. 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, Mayor Pro Tempore 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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Chuck Gautier moved to approve the Settlement Agreement with the terms as recommended by counsel. 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, Mayor Pro Tempore 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 Settlement Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "U".

Alderman Brian Ramsey moved to leave Executive Session. 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, Mayor Pro Tempore 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 the action taken by the Board of Aldermen during the Executive Session.

The Mayor announced that the City Hall Groundbreaking is scheduled for August 16, 2016.

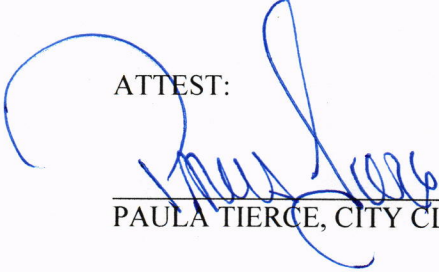
There being no further business before the Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:24 p.m.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 8th day of August, 2019.



GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:



PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK

