

**MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
September 3, 2019
6:00 PM**

The Mayor opened the September 3, 2019 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to order. Present were Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Wesley Hamlin (via telephone), Alderman Ken Heard, Mayor Pro Tempore Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee, City Attorney John Scanlon, and City Clerk Paula Tierce. The meeting was opened with an invocation by Alderman Brian Ramsey 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 23,

Next came the recognition of Corporal Ryan Jungers for being selected "Officer of the Month" for July 2019. Mayor McGee announced that during the first week of July, Corporal Ryan Jungers began receiving information that multiple individuals were attempting to make purchases in Ridgeland using fraudulent credit cards. Corporal Jungers was able to obtain a description of the suspect vehicle and learned that the suspects were in the area. Corporal Jungers located the vehicle and developed good probable cause to effect a traffic stop. The ensuing investigation resulted in the arrest of two of the vehicle's several occupants, discovery of four handguns, one of which was reported stolen from our jurisdiction, and the recovery of thirteen fraudulent gift cards. Further investigation conducted by Corporal Jungers lead to information pertaining to the suspect and location from which the fraudulent cards were purchased and used. Corporal Jungers has proven to be proactive and his dedication to duty along with his diligence led to the arrest of two suspects and the recovery of stolen property. Mayor McGee congratulated Corporal Ryan Jungers on being selected Officer of the Month and encouraged him to keep up his hard work. Corporal Jungers thanked the Mayor and Board for the opportunity to serve the citizens of Ridgeland.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the August 19, 2019 Work Session and the August 20 Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

Next came the consideration of the 2019 Tax Rolls. Mayor Pro Tempore Kevin Holder 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, 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 2019 Tax Rolls are maintained and available through the Madison County Tax Assessor's Office and the Ridgeland City Clerk's

Office.

Next came the consideration of the Order Setting Tax Levy for Fiscal Year 2020. 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, 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 Order is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

Next came the consideration of the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget. 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, 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 Fiscal Year 2020 Budget is attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

Next came the consideration of the Consent Agenda. Alderman Chuck Gautier moved to approve the following:

a) - Approve Special Event Permit for Marsh Marketing, Inc. - Renaissance Euro Fest - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "C"

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

c) - Approve Special Event Permit for Madison County Chamber - Dragon Boat Regatta - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "E"

d) - Approve Special Event Permit for Crescent City Amusements - Northpark Mall Carnival - REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

e) - Approve POD Site Security Plan Between MS State Department of Health and Ridgeland Police Department - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "F"

f) - Approve Relay Agreement for the Ridgeland Police Department - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "G"

g) - Receive Training Reimbursement and Approve Budget Transfer - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "H"

h) - Approve Budget Transfer for Ridgeland Police Department - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "I"

i) - Change Order No. 5 for City Center Site Work - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "J"

j) - Approve Public Works Term Bids for 2019-2020 Budget Year - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "K"

k) - Approve Waste Management Recycling Contract for Pear Orchard Apartments - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "L"

l) - Approve Sewer Adjustments - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "M"

m) - Budget Amendment Increasing Accounts 315-000-391 (Bond Proceeds/2019 Issue) \$21,620,401.00, Account 315-601-6900 (Transfer Out) \$19,596,062.00, Account 315-601-850 (Bond Issue Cost) \$230,000.00, and Account 315-000-192 (Fund Balance) \$1,794,339.00; Increase Account 378-000-380 (Transfer In/Lake Harbour Extension Fund) \$657,520.00 and Account 378-000-192 (Fund Balance) \$657,520.00; Increase Account 390-000-380 (Transfer In/City Center) \$16,066,774.00, Account 390-000-390 (Land Lease) \$2,400.00, Account 390-601-600 (Engineering) \$1,769,089.00, Account 390-601-750 (Construction) \$13,749,900.00, Account 390-601-760 (Other) \$608,243.00, and Decrease Account 390-000-192 \$64,753.00; Increase Account 370-000-380 (Transfer In/Freedom Ridge Park Improvements) \$1,532,068.00, Increase Account 370-601-600 (Engineering) \$83,736.00, Increase Account 370-601-750 (Construction) \$1,395,593.00, and Account 370-601-760 (Other) \$52,739.00; and Increase Account 382-000-380 (Transfer In/Wolcott Park Improvements) \$1,339,700.00, Increase Account 382-601-600 (Engineering) \$105,750.00, Increase Account 382-601-750 (Contractor) \$1,175,000.00, and Increase Account 382-601-760 (Other) \$58,950.00 - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "N"

Mayor Pro Tempore 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 consideration of the Special Event Permit Application submitted by Crescent City Amusements, which was removed from the Consent Agenda. Alderman D. I. Smith moved to deny the Special Event Permit Application. 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, 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 155780 - 156052 and August 30, 2019 Payroll (\$1,836,969.05). Mayor Pro Tempore Kevin Holder 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, 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 potential litigation. Alderman chuck Gautier moved to go into Closed Session to discuss the need of going into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation. Alderman Ken heard 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.

(Alderman Wesley Hamlin notified that he was leaving the meeting and the telephone connection was disconnected.)

CLOSED SESSION

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

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

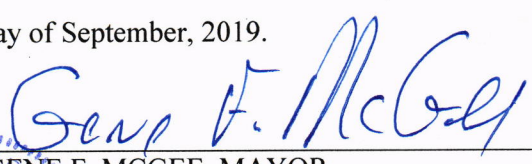
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Brian Ramsey moved to leave Executive Session. Alderman Bill Lee seconded the motion and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

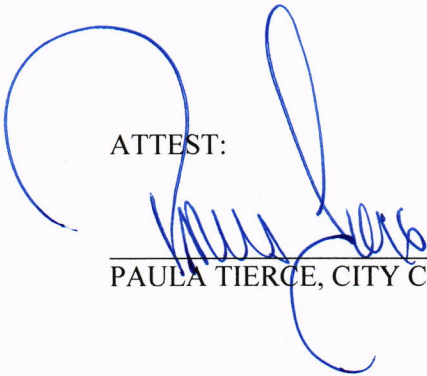
Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Ken Heard, Mayor Pro Tempore Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee
Nay(s): None
Absent: Alderman Wesley Hamlin
The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

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

There being no further business before the Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 5th day of September, 2019.


GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:


PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK

