MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
January 21, 2020
6:00 PM

The Mayor opened the January 21, 2020 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to order. Present were Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee, City Attorney Jerry Mills, and City Clerk Paula Tierce. Absent was Mayor Pro Tempore Kevin Holder. The meeting was opened with an invocation by Alderman Bill Lee followed by the pledge of allegiance.

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The Mayor and Board of Aldermen were provided a copy of the December 2019 Financial Statement and the January 2020 Sales Tax Report.

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Next came the recognition of Detective Corey Clark for being selected Officer of the Month for December 2019. Mayor McGee stated that on Friday, December 6, 2019, officers responded to a report of multiple shots fired on East Frontage Road near Whataburger. Detective Clark quickly responded to the scene and began gathering evidence and interviewing witnesses. Upon completion of a thorough investigation by Detective Clark, it was determined that the shots fired were exchanged between two vehicles and the suspects involved were identified. As a result of Detective Clark's dedication and determination, he was able to quickly identify and apprehend multiple suspects with haste and being a case of this nature to a quick resolution. Mayor McGee thanked Detective Corey Clark for his service to the City of Ridgeland and encouraged him to keep up the good work.

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Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the January 6, 2020 Work Session and the January 7, 2020 Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

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Paul Lanning of Allen Engineering conducted the annual Storm Water Phase II Elected Official Training.

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Next came the consideration of the items listed on the Consent Agenda. Alderman Chuck Gautier moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

a) - Final Plat and Covenants for Bridgewater 12B - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "A"

b) - Authorize Mayor McGee to sign the "Reimbursement Agreement by and between Gulf South Pipeline Company, LLC ("Gulf South") and the City of Ridgeland ("City of Ridgeland") (sometimes referred to herein jointly as "Parties") to Accommodate City of Ridgeland's Rice Road Extension project located at Rice Road and Highway 51 in Ridgeland, Mississippi (the "Project") - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "B"

c) - Approve Sole Source Letter for Sansom Equipment (for Elgin Street Sweeper) - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "C"

d) - Approve First Amendment for Landscaping to the Contract & Agreement for Landscaping of Old Agency Road with MDOT - Order Attached Hereto As "D"

e) - Approve Contract Award for I-55 Right-of-Way Mowing North of Exit 105 to City Limits - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "E"

f) - Approve Reverse Auction Award of Bid for Dump Truck - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "F"

g) - Approve Reverse Auction Award of Bid for Two Man Bucket Truck - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "G

h) - Approve Bid Award for Colony Park Boulevard Grass Cutting and Landscaping Contract - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "H"

i) - Approve Lake Harbour Extension Phase "B" Contractor Pay Estimate #7, November 1-30, 2019 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "I

j) - Approve Lake Harbour Extension Phase "B" MDOT Reimbursement #6 - October 1-November 30, 2019 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "J

k) - Approve Lake Harbour Extension Drive Phase "B" CE&I Invoice November 1-30, 2019 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "K"

l) - Approve Lake Harbour Drive Extension Phase "A" CE&I Invoice - November 1-30, 2019 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "L"

m) - Approve East Jackson Street Multi-Use Path Reimbursement #7 - November 1-December 6, 2019 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "M"

n) - Approve Sole Source Letter for Williams Equipment for Purchase of a Concrete Mixer - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "N"

o) - Approve PTS Solutions Contract Amendment and Annual Maintenance Services - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "O"

p) - Declare Surplus Property for the Ridgeland Police Department - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "P"

q) - Approve Agreement between City of Ridgeland and City of Canton for Balloon Glow - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "Q"

r) - Approve Contract for Balloon Glow Fireworks - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "R"

s) - Approve Contract for Wolcott Park Parking Lot Construction - Order Attached Hereto

As Exhibit "S"

t) - $187.86 Sewer Adjustment for 420 Friday Harbour Drive (Acct #01-1440-02) - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "T"

u) - Receive December 2019 Privilege License Report - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "U"

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 Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee

Nay(s): None

Absent: Mayor Pro Tempore Kevin Holder

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

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Next came the payment of claims 158746 - 159039 and January 17, 2020 Payroll ($2,766,073.82). 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 Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee

Nay(s): None

Absent: Mayor Pro Tempore Kevin Holder

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

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The Mayor announced the need to go into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation. Alderman Bill Lee moved to go into Closed Session to discuss going into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ken Heard and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

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

Nay(s): None

Absent: Mayor Pro Tempore Kevin Holder

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Wesley Hamlin 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 Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee

Nay(s): None

Absent: Mayor Pro Tempore Kevin Holder

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

(Alderman Chuck Gautier participated in the first item of potential litigation but left the meeting and recused himself for the second item of potential litigation.)

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

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

Nay(s): None

Absent: Mayor Pro Tempore Kevin Holder, Alderman Chuck Gautier

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

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(Alderman Chuck Gautier rejoined the meeting.)

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 other business before the Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 23rd day of January, 2020.

GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK

CITY OF RIDGELAND, MADISON COUNTY, MISS. CORPORATE 1899 SEAL