MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
April 7, 2020
6:00 PM

The Mayor opened the April 7, 2020 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to order. Present were Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard (via telephone), Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith (via telephone), Alderman Bill Lee, City Attorney John Scanlon, and City Clerk Paula Tierce. The meeting was opened with an invocation by Alderman Wesley Hamlin followed by the pledge of allegiance.

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The Mayor and Board of Alderman were provided a copy of the City Attorney's statement for services through March 30, 2020.

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Next came the recognition of Corporal Dylan Pritchard for being selected "Officer of the Month" for February 2020. Mayor McGee announced that during the month of February, multiple felony crimes occurred at various apartment complexes located on Pine Knoll Drive to include Armed Robbery, Residential Burglary and Auto Burglary. As investigations continued, suspects were developed by forensic and physical evidence Corporal Dylan Pritchard obtained on an attempted carjacking reported weeks prior. Corporal Pritchard took the initiative to process that scene and promptly submit evidence collected to the crime lab for analysis. With this evidence, investigators were able to identify the suspects and link them to all crimes recently committed. Mayor McGee thanked Corporal Dylan Pritchard for his service and dedication to the City of Ridgeland and encouraged him to keep up the hard work.

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Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the March 17, 2020 Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

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(Alderman Chuck Gautier left the meeting.)

Next came the consideration of the Resolution Authorizing the Refinancing of the Colony Park TIF, 2009 and 2011 issues. Alderman Brian Ramsey moved to approve. The motion was seconded by Alderman Bill Lee 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):

Absent: Alderman Chuck Gautier

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried. A copy of the Resolution is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

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(Alderman Chuck Gautier rejoined the meeting.)

Next came the consideration of the items listed in the Consent Agenda. Alderman Wesley Hamlin moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

a) - Approve Lake Harbour Drive Extension Contractor Pay Estimate #10 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "B"

b) - Approve Authorization to Advertise for Bids for Highland Colony Parkway Renaissance Driveways Traffic Signal Improvements - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "C

c) - Approve Construction Engineering & Inspection Professional Services Contract for Highland Colony Parkway-Renaissance Driveways Traffic Signal Improvements - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "D"

d) - Approve Old Agency Road Truck Route Permit Lot 290 Bridgewater 7 for Barry Woodward Construction - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "E"

e) - Approve Budget Amendment for Ridgeland Police Department - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "F"

f) - Declare surplus property for Ridgeland Police Department - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "G"

g) - Declare abandoned property surplus for the Ridgeland Police Department - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "H"

h) - Approve agreement between Motorola and Ridgeland Police Department - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "I"

i) - Approve Deputy Court Clerk Appointments - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "J"

j) - Approve finger print processing fees - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "K"

k) - Approve Memorandum of Agreement between the MS Bureau of Narcotics and Ridgeland Police Department - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "L"

l) - Approve Sewer Adjustment of $78.30 to Account #03-2795-00 and $11.52 for Account #05-6156-01 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "M

m) - Approve Extending Period of Local Emergency for 30 Days - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "N"

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, 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.

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Next came the payment of claims 160200 - 160561 and March 27, 2020 Payroll ($2,824,383.47). Alderman D.I. Smith 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, 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.

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Next came the consideration of purchasing hand sanitizer for citizen distribution through Cathead Distillery. After discussion, the Board made a finding of fact that the distribution would be for the life, health and safety of the citizens due to the corona virus. Alderman Chuck Gautier moved to approve the purchase and distribution of the hand sanitizer at the Mayor's discretion. 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.

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There being no further business before the Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:14 p.m.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 6th day of April, 2020.

GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK

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