

**MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
September 15, 2020
6:00 PM**

The Mayor opened the September 15, 2020 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to order. Present were Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, 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. Absent was Alderman Ken Heard. The meeting was opened with an invocation by Alderman Chuck Gautier followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen were provided the August 2020 Financial Statement and the September 2020 Sales Tax Report.

Supreme Court Justice Kenny Griffis addressed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen and requested their support in the upcoming election.

Next came the recognition of Officer Kason Travis for being selected as "Officer of the Month" for August 2020. Mayor McGee announced that on Monday, July 20, 2020 Officer Travis conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for improper equipment. Officer Travis discovered the driver of the vehicle was wanted for a shooting murder in Tuscaloosa, Alabama and had been on the run from law enforcement since Saturday, July 18, 2020. The suspected murder weapon was also located in the vehicle. Officer Travis' diligence and training resulted in the arrest of a murder suspect. His actions show that not every traffic stop is routine. Officer Travis has proven to be an asset to the Ridgeland Police Department. Mayor McGee thanked Officer Kason Travis for his hard work and dedication to the City of Ridgeland and encouraged him to keep up the hard work.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the September 1, 2020 Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

Next came the hearing for the cleaning of the property located at 1004 Carlyle Cove, Ridgeland, Madison County, Mississippi. The Mayor opened the public hearing and the City Clerk adjudicated that proper and timely notice was advertised by state law. Georgia Trebisky, Code Enforcement Officer, stated that the property was in a state that is a menace to the public health and safety of the community. The Mayor asked the audience if there was anyone present that would like to speak and there was no response. Alderman Bill Lee moved to declare the property a menace to public health, safety, and/or welfare to the community pursuant to Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code, Annotated. Alderman Wesley Hamlin seconded the motion and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee
Nay(s): None
Absent: Alderman Ken Heard

The Mayor then declared the Motion passed. A copy of the notice and photographs of the property are attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

Next came the consideration of the Consent Agenda. Alderman D. I. Smith moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

a) - Architectural Review for 555 Highway 51 for J. Allen Furniture (formerly the location of Gamble Chiropractic Clinic) - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "B"

b) - City Hall Change Order - Mid State Construction Change Order No.5 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "C"

c) - City Hall Change Order - J.L. Roberts Change Order No.2 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "D"

d) - Approve Special Event Permit for Recreation and Parks- Mayor's Fun Walk - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "E"

e) - Approve Special Event Permit-Renaissance Euro Fest Auto Show - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "F"

f) - Approve Term Bid Awards - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "G"

g) - Approve Asphalt FOB Plant Bid Award from Reverse Auction - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "H"

h) - Approve Contract Extension for Allen Engineering and Science - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "I"

Alderman Chuck Gautier seconded the motion and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

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

Nay(s): None

Absent: Alderman Ken Heard

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Next came the payment of claims 163235 - 163483 and September 11, 2020 Payroll (\$1,217,515.97). Alderman Wesley Hamlin 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 Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee

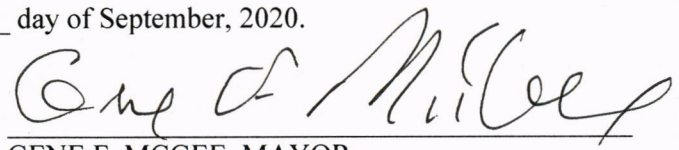
Nay(s): None

Absent: Alderman Ken Heard

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

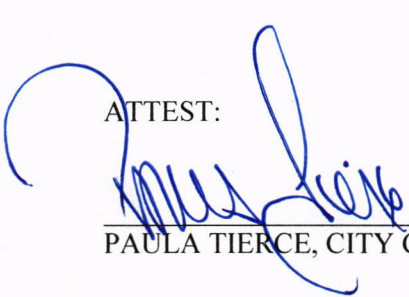
There being no further business before the Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 16th day of September, 2020.



GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:



PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK

