

**MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
January 5, 2021
6:00 PM**

The Mayor opened the January 5, 2021 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to order. Present were Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman 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 Wesley Hamlin followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen were provided the FY2021 Street Overlay List and the City Attorney's Statement for Services through December 23, 2020.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the December 15, 2020 Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

Next came the consideration of the Resolution Of Intent Not To Be Included In The Madison County Solid Waste Management Plan. Alderman D.I. Smith 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, 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. A copy of the Resolution is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

Next came the appointment of Mayor Gene McGee, Alderman D. I. Smith, Community Development Director Alan Hart, Public Works Director Mike McCollum, and Asst. Public Works Director Ben Mays to Steering Committee to Establish Solid Waste Plan. Alderman Brian Ramsey moved to approve. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Chuck Gautier 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 to enter into a contract with Blue Creek Consulting. 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, 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. A copy of the letter of engagement is attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

(Alderman Brian Ramsey left the meeting)

Next came the consideration of the Petition and Application for Conditional Use Permit for Chase Bank and ATM. Alderman Ken Heard moved the Conditional Use Permit. 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 D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee

Nay(s): None

Absent: Alderman Brian Ramsey

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

Next came the consideration of the Site Plan/Architectural Review for Chase Bank and Arrowhead Development Master Plan. Alderman Kevin Holder moved to approve. The motion was seconded by Alderman Chuck Gautier and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

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

Nay(s): None

Absent: Alderman Brian Ramsey

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried. A copy Site Plan is attached hereto as Exhibit "D".

(Alderman Brian Ramsey rejoined the meeting.)

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

a) - Ordinance Fixing Compensation of Municipal Election Commissioners, Poll Workers, and Resolution Board - Ordinance Attached Hereto As Exhibit "E"

b - Declare Property Surplus (Recreation & Parks) - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "F"

c - Authorize for RFP for Ridgeland Tennis Center Contract, Freedom Ridge Concessions, and Wolcott Park Concessions - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "G"

d - Approve Recommendation of Award for Mosquito Abatement Contract - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "H"

e - Approve Payment of Change Order #15 Ridgeland City Hall - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "I"

f - Approve Master Agreement Between City of Ridgeland and Jack Henry & Associates for Remit Plus - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "J"

g - Approve Sewer Adjustments - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "K"

The motion was seconded by Alderman Chuck Gautier 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 payment of claims 165471 - 165767, December 18, 2020 Payroll and January 1, 2021 Payroll. Alderman Bill Lee moved to approve. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Wesley Hamlin 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.

The Mayor announced the need to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation and potential economic development.

Alderman Chuck Gautier move to go into Closed Session to discuss the need of going into Executive Session to discuss litigation and potential economic development. 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 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 D. I. Smith moved to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation and potential economic development. 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 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 Wesley Hamlin moved to leave Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Alderman Brian Ramsey and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

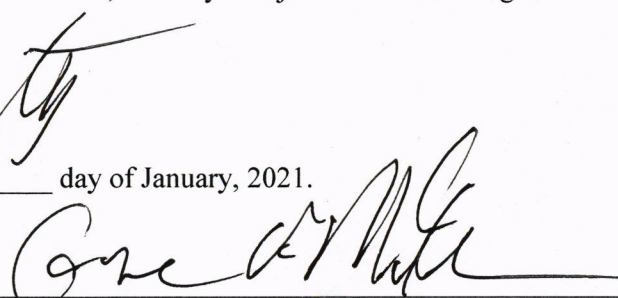
Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee
Nay(s): None
Abstention(s): None

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

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

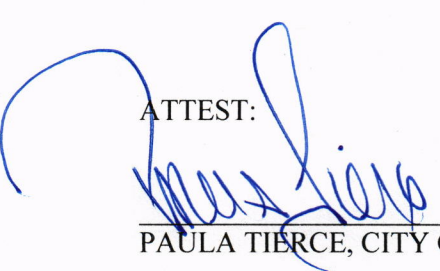
There being no further business before the Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 6th day of January, 2021.



GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:



PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK

