

**MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
November 16, 2021
6:00 PM**

The Mayor opened the November 16, 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 D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee, City Attorney Jerry Mills, City Attorney John Scanlon, and City Clerk Paula Tierce. Absent was Alderman Brian Ramsey. The meeting was opened with an invocation by Alderman Kevin Holder followed by the pledge of allegiance, which was led by Boy Scout Henry Russ of First Baptist Jackson, Troop 8.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen were provided a copy of the October 2021 Financial Statement and the November 2021 Sales Tax Report.

Next came the recognition of Officer Kason Travis for being selected "Officer of the Month" for October 2021. Mayor McGee announced that on Monday, October 11, 2021, officers responded to a burglary at Crab's Seafood Shack. Officers obtained video of the suspect from various locations and Officer Kason Travis was able to identify him immediately. Officer Travis remembered the individual from a previous encounter and was able to recall information in order to get identification for a warrant. The suspect was apprehended later on the same day the business had been burglarized. As a result of Officer Travis' attention to detail and knowledge of the community he works in, a suspect was captured less than 24 hours after the crime was committed. Officer Travis continues to show his dedication to his position as a police officer and is an asset to the department as well as his shift. Mayor McGee thanked Officer Kason Travis for his hard work and dedication to the City of Ridgeland.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the November 1, 2021 Work Session and the November 2, 2021 Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

Next came the consideration of the Consent Agenda. Alderman Bill Lee moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- a) Site Plan/Architectural Review for Fast Paced Urgent Care - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "A"
- b) Plat for Countryside of Ridgeland (Fast Paced Urgent Care) - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "B"
- c) Preliminary Plat for The Heritage at Jacobs Farm - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "C"
- d) Budget Amendment Increasing Accounts 013-000-348 (Donations Restricted) and 013-000-192 (Fire Dept Donations) \$2,000 - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "D"
- e) Approve Solid Waste and Recycling CPI Increase for FY2022 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "E"
- f) Accept Donation of Nikon D60 Camera with Lens, Strap, and Battery Charger from the Ridgeland Tourism Commission - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "F"
- g) Sewer Adjustments - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "G"
- h) October 2021 Privilege License Report - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "H"

Alderman Chuck Gautier 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 D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee

Nay(s): None

Absent: Alderman Brian Ramsey

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Next came the payment of claims 171975 - 172354 and November 5, 2021 Payroll (\$1,791,685.75). Alderman D.I. Smith moved to approve. 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 Kevin Holder, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee

Nay(s): None

Absent: Alderman Brian Ramsey

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

The Mayor announced the need to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and a real estate transaction.

Alderman Kevin Holder moved to go into Closed Session to discuss going into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and a real estate transaction. 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 D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee

Nay(s): None

Absent: Alderman Brian Ramsey

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Kevin Holder moved to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and a real estate transaction. Alderman Chuck Gautier 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 D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee

Nay(s): None

Absent: Alderman Brian Ramsey

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman D. I. Smith moved to leave Executive Session. Alderman Chuck Gautier 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 D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee

Nay(s): None

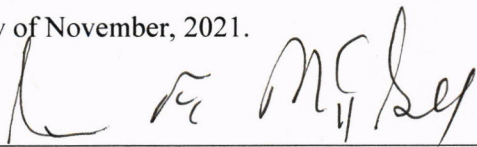
Absent: Alderman Brian Ramsey

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.

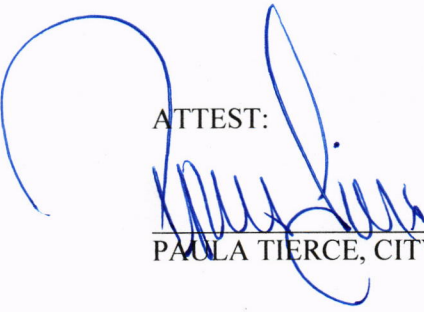
There being no further business before the Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, the 19th day of November, 2021.



GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:



PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK

