

**MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
January 18, 2022
6:00 PM**

The Mayor opened the January 18, 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, 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.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen were provided a copy of the October, November and December 2021 Keep Ridgeland Beautiful minutes and the December 2021 Financial Statement.

Next came the recognition of Officer Michael Rafidi for being selected Officer of the Month for December 2021. Mayor McGee stated that on Sunday, October 31, 2021, the Ridgeland Police Department was notified of a stolen vehicle possibly traveling into the City. This vehicle had been stolen in an armed home invasion in Northeast Jackson. Officer Michael Rafidi was able to locate the stolen vehicle and initiated a traffic stop. When the vehicle came to a stop, the driver fled on foot. With the help of other officers, Officer Rafidi took the other occupants of the vehicle into custody. The driver was later located hiding in a nearby business. Officer Rafidi's actions and alertness aided in clearing a violent case for the Jackson Police Department as well as prevented activity from occurring in Ridgeland. Officer Rafidi displayed a great example of proactive policing. Mayor McGee thanked Officer Michael Rafidi for his hard work and dedication and encouraged him to keep up the good work.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the January 4, 2022 Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

(Alderman Brian Ramsey joined the meeting via telephone)

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

- a) Petition and Application for Dimensional Variance for Sartian Associates, Inc. - Ordinance Attached Hereto As Exhibit "A"
- b) Petition and Application for Dimensional Variance for Casey Wagner & Jimmie Herrington (Sal & Phils) - Ordinance Attached Hereto As Exhibit "B"
- c) Authorize the Mayor to sign the Second Amendment to Tower Attachment Lease Agreement with T Mobile South, LLC for equipment at 6960 Old Canton Road - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "C"
- d) Deputy Court Clerk Appointments - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "D"
- e) Verkada Sole Source Vendor Letter for the Ridgeland Police Department - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "E"
- f) Approve Municipal Questionnaire for FY2021 - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "F"

g) Approve Utility Adjustment of \$222.53 for Account #08-2633-04/1989 Lincolnshire Drive - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "G"

h) Approve Budget Amendment Decreasing Account 315-000-192 (2019 Bond Issue Fund Balance) \$1,740.00 and Increasing Account 315-601-700 (Land) \$965.00 and Account 315-601-604 (Professional Fees) \$775.00 for Appraisal and Ad Valorem Tax Payment - Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "H"

i) Accept Resignation of Jim Collette from Zoning Board - Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "I"

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.

Next came the payment of claims 173303 - 173572 and 1/14/2022 Payroll (\$1,392,326.11). Alderman Kevin Holder 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 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.

There being no further business before the Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:11 p.m.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 19th day of January, 2022.


GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:


PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK

