

**MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
April 16, 2024
6:00 PM**

The Mayor opened the April 16, 2024 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 (via telephone), 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 Kevin Holder followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen were given a copy of the March 2024 Financial Statement and the April 2024 Sales Tax Report.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the April 1, 2024 Work Session and the April 2, 2024 Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

(Alderman Brian Ramsey left the meeting.)

Next came the consideration of the Special Event Permit for the Ardenland Sante South Wine Festival. Alderman Chuck Gautier 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 D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee

Nay(s): None

Absent: Alderman Brian Ramsey

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

(Alderman Brian Ramsey rejoined the meeting.)

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

- a) Receive Fiscal Year 2023 Audit Report - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "A"
- b) Approve Resolution Authorizing Employment of Certain Professionals in Connection with the Issuance of Tax Increment Limited Obligation Bonds, Series 2024 (the Renaissance Phase III and IV Project) Not To Exceed \$2,500,000.00 - Resolution Attached Hereto as Exhibit "B"
- c) Architectural Review for Oakley Square Lot 2 Revisions - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "C"
- d) Authorize the Public Works Director to advertise for Waste Hauler Services for Collection and Disposal of Recyclables - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "D"
- e) Approve Central Pipe as Sole Source Vendor for Badger Water Meters - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "E"
- f) Authorize the Mayor to sign the Contract Documents with Hemphill Construction, Inc. for the construction of the Highland Colony Parkway Water Tank and Well in the amount of \$9,612,018.00 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "F"
- g) Approve Task Order No. 2 with Waggoner Engineering, Inc. for the preparation of a Safe Streets For All (SS4A) Grant Application for the redevelopment of West Jackson Street/Railroad District and approve an associated budget amendment by transferring \$20,000 from the General Fund to 001-201-600 (Engineering) - Resolution Attached Hereto as Exhibit "G"
- h) Authorize the Mayor to sign Professional Services Agreement Amendment #1 to the Waggoner Engineering, Inc. General Services Agreement to agree to certain terms as required by ARPA, MCWI, and EPA-STAG grant projects - Exhibit "H"
- i) Special Event - Southern AgCredit Fish Fry (Police Department) - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "I"
- j) Special Event - Center for Integrative Health-Spring Into Wellness 5K (Police Department) - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "J"
- k) Special Event - Century Ride (Police Department) - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "K"
- l) Special Event - Dragon Boat Regatta (Police Department) - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "L"
- m) Forfeiture of Guns (Police Department) - Resolution Attached Hereto as Exhibit "M"
- n) Special Event - Pepsi Pops (Police Department) - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "N"
- o) Budget Amendment - Accept Donation (Police Department) - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "O"

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.

Next came the payment of claims 189722 - 190103 and April 5, 2024 Payroll (\$1,737,274.18). 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.

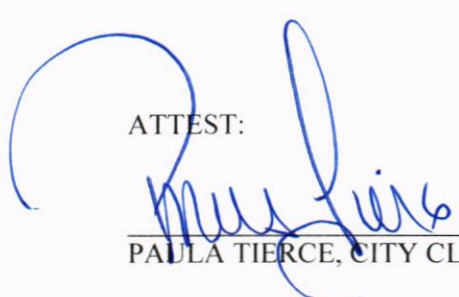
There being no further business before the Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:02.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 17th day of April, 2024.



GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:



PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK

