

**MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
December 3, 2024
6:00 PM**

The Mayor opened the December 3, 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, Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee, City Attorney John Scanlon, and City Clerk Paula Tierce. The meeting was opened with an invocation by Sarah Hart followed by the pledge of allegiance led by Hallie Dale, who are both members of the Mayor's Youth Council.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen were provided the City Attorney statement for services through November 22, 2024.

Next came the recognition of Detective Hunter Bridges being selected as Officer of the Month for October 2024. Mayor McGee stated that the Ridgeland Police Department received complaints of drug activity at a residence in Ridgeland, Mississippi. Detective Bridges was able to cultivate confidential informants who had knowledge of the residence. The offender was observed making drug transactions in the street in front of the residence in broad daylight. In October 2024, a search warrant was obtained for the residence and ten pounds of marijuana and other controlled substances, approximately \$2,000 cash, and numerous firearms were seized from the residence. The dealer was arrested and charged with multiple gun and drug charges. Mayor McGee commended Detective Hunter Bridges for a job well done and encouraged him to keep up the good work.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the November 18, 2024 Work Session and the November 19, 2024 Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

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

- a) Authorize Recreation & Parks Department to Advertise for RFP for Concession Stands - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "A"

- b) Authorize Recreation & Parks to Advertise for RFP's for Tennis Center - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "B"
 - c) Approve Contract with PR Event Management for Century Ride 2025 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "C"
 - d) Approve Conditional Use Permit for Portico Homes, LLC for a Secondary Dwelling Unit at 404 Greenwood Lane - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "D"
 - e) Authorize the Mayor to sign the Supplemental Agreement No. 2 of Task Order No. 2 for the design work for Colony Park Boulevard Water and Sewer improvements - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "E"
- Authorize the Mayor to sign MCWI Agreement Modifications to 63-1-DW-5.15 and 64-1-DW-5.15 transferring \$62,706.00 in MCWI funds from the Advanced Water Meter Project to the Highland Colony Tank and Well Project - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "F"
- g) Approve East County Line Road Resurfacing Improvements Contractor Final Pay Estimate No. 4 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "G"
 - h) Approve East County Line Road Resurfacing Improvements Contractor Final Reimbursement Request No. 2 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "H"
 - i) Approve East County Line Road Resurfacing Improvements Revised CE&I Reimbursement Request No. 7 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "I"
 - j) Approve East County Line Road Resurfacing Improvements Revised CE&I Reimbursement Request No. 8 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "J"
 - k) Approve East County Line Road Resurfacing Improvements CE&I Invoice #1101576 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "K"
 - l) Approve U.S. Highway 51-Lake Harbour Drive Intersection Improvements CE&I Pay Estimate No. 1 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "L"
 - m) Approve Colony Park Boulevard Water & Sewer Improvements Preliminary Engineering Invoice No. 25904 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "M"
 - n) Approve Colony Park Boulevard Water & Sewer Improvements Preliminary Engineering Invoice No. 26256 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "N"
 - o) Approve Street Dedication of Concourse at Colony Park contingent on receipt of Record Drawings - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "O"
 - p) Declare Temple, Inc. as the Sole Source provider for Clary Corporation Traffic Uninterruptable Power Systems (UPS) Equipment and authorize the Public Works Department to purchase the quoted materials - Resolution Attached Hereto as Exhibit "P"
 - q) Declare Property Surplus (Police) - Resolution Attached Hereto as Exhibit "Q"
 - r) Approve Contract with PowerDMS Contract - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "R"
 - s) Approve Federal Bureau of Investigation Deputation Request - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "S"
 - t) Resolution Requesting Introduction and Passage of Legislation for the Promotion, Advertising and Improving of the Attributes of the City of Ridgeland Relating to Tourism, Parks and Recreation Capital Improvements, and Promoting and Enhancing Tourism and

Parks and Recreation Facilities, Events, and Activities in the City of Ridgeland - Resolution Attached Hereto as Exhibit "T"

u) Accept Resignation of Joann Pearson as Ridgeland Election Commission - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "U"

v) Sewer Adjustments - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "V"

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.

Next came the payment of claims numbered 194722 thru 194947 and the November 29, 2024 Payroll (\$2,396,963.24). Alderman Ken Heard 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

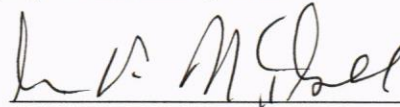
Nay(s): None

Abstention(s): None

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

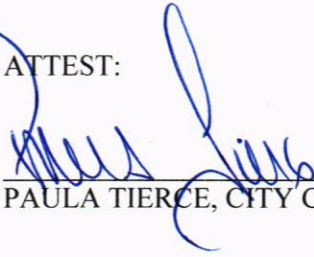
There being no further business before the Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 4th day of December, 2024.



GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:



PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK

