

**MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
June 3, 2025
6:00 PM**

The Mayor opened the June 3, 2025 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to order. Present were Alderman Chuck Gautier (via telephone), Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Brian Ramsey (via telephone), Alderman D.I. Smith, Alderman Bill Lee, City Attorney John Scanlon, and City Clerk Paula Tierce. Absent was Alderman Kevin Holder. The meeting was opened with an invocation by Asst. Police Chief Tony Willridge followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen were provided the City Attorney's statement for services through May 28, 2025.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the May 19, 2025 Work Session and the May 20, 2025 Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

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

- a) Site Plan / Architectural Review for Christ Covenant Temporary Classrooms - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "A"
- b) Award the FY2025 Thermoplastic Pavement Markings on Designated City Streets to AF&G, LLC in the amount of \$202,528.25 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "B"
- c) Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Construction Contract for the Colony Park Boulevard Water and Sewer Improvements Project - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "C"
- d) Approve Selection of Benchmark Engineering and Surveying, LLC for CE&I Services for the Lake Harbour Drive Overlay Project STP-6944-00(001) LPA / 109703-701000 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "D"
- e) Approve Purple Creek Drainage Basin Improvements Construction Payment Request No. 4 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "E"
- f) Approve Highland Colony Tank and Well Construction Pay Request No. 2 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "F"
- g) Approve Highland Colony Tank and Well Construction Pay Request No. 3 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "G"

- h) Surplus Property - Assistant Chief Tony Willridge's Duty Weapon (Police Department) - Resolution Attached Hereto as Exhibit "H"
- i) Surplus Gun (Police Department) - Resolution Attached Hereto as Exhibit "I"
- j) Special Event - Balloon Glow (Police Department) - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "J"
- k) Special Event - Jackson Young Lawyers Legal Beagle 5K (Police Department) - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "K"
- l) Approve Contract with Stage Light Sound, LLC for Balloon Glow 2025 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "L"
- m) Designate Your Personal Chef as the Lowest and Best Bidder for Balloon Glow Meal, and Authorize Recreation and Parks to Issue a Purchase Order in the amount of \$8,150.00 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "M"
- n) Accept the Resignation of City Clerk/HR Director Paula Tierce - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "N"
- o) Appoint Angela E. Richburg City Clerk/Finance Director Effective 7/1/2025 at Rate of M15 Step 21 - Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "O"

The motion was seconded by Alderman Ken Heard and a vote was taken 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 Kevin Holder

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Next came the payment of claims 198478- -198726 and May 30, 2025 Payroll (\$3,137,720.26). Alderman Wesley Hamlin 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 Kevin Holder

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

There being no further business before the Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 5th day of June, 2025.

Gene F. McGee
GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Paula Tierce
PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK

