

**MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
September 16, 2025
6:00 PM**

The Mayor called the September 16, 2025, 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 Bill Lee (via telephone), Alderman D.I. Smith, Attorney John Scanlon, and City Clerk Angela Richburg. Absent was Alderman Brian Ramsey. The meeting was opened with an invocation by Alderman Wesley Hamlin followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen were provided the August 2025, Financial Statement and the attendance reports for Keep Ridgeland Beautiful, Architectural Review Board and Zoning Board.

Next came the recognition of Captain Chess Woods, Lieutenant James Hemphill, Firefighter Malcolm Scott, and Firefighter Juventino for being selected "Fireman of the Month for August 2025." Mayor McGee stated that, due to the quick response of Captain Woods' initiation of CPR with bystanders at the tennis courts and Engine 2's application of AED pads from Lifepak 15 monitor a defibrillation shock was provided to restore a patient's heart to a normal rhythm. Mayor McGee thanked the Firefighters for their dedication to the City of Ridgeland and encouraged them to continue the good work. — A copy of the recognition memorandum is *attached hereto as Exhibit "A"*.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the September 2, 2025, Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

HEARING

Next came the public hearing regarding the Cleaning of Private Property for 7034 Edgewater Drive. The Mayor opened the hearing and the City Clerk adjudicated that proper and timely notice was advertised by state law. A copy of the notice is attached hereto as Exhibit "B." The Mayor asked the audience if there was anyone present that would like to speak that did not sign the list and there was no response; a copy of the list is attached hereto as Exhibit "C". Code

Enforcement Officer Tall Berry made a presentation regarding the unkempt lawn and exterior area of the property and provided photographs of the property, which are attached hereto as Exhibit "D". The Mayor then closed the public hearing. Alderman Wesley Hamlin declared the property a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community. The motion was seconded by Alderman D.I. Smith and the vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Bill Lee, Alderman D.I. Smith
Nay(s): None
 Absent: Alderman Brian Ramsey

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Next came the discussion to Consider Setting a Hearing for the Revocation of the Conditional Use Permit for 121 E Ford Street. Alderman Kevin Holder moved to set the hearing for October 21, 2025. 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 Bill Lee, Alderman D.I. Smith
Nay(s): None
 Absent: Alderman Brian Ramsey

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Next came the consideration of the items set out on the Consent Agenda with the condition of item "a" Conditional Use Permit reverting to its initial use once the church vacates the property. Alderman Chuck Gautier moved to approve the Consent Agenda:

- a) Petition and Application for Conditional Use Permit for Spectrum Management (Church) — 101 Business Park Dr. - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "E."*
- b) Petition and Application for Dimensional Variance for JMUP, LLC (Craft Croswell) - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "F."*
- c) Site Plan & Architectural Review for Highland Steed Office Building - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "G."*
- d) Site Plan & Architectural Review for Patty Peck Honda Expansion - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "H."*
- e) Site Plan & Architectural Review for Rowland Sunnybrook Development - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "I."*
- f) Grant Public Works the Authority to Advertise the Lake Harbour Drive Overlay Project pending MDOT Concurrence - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "J."*

g) Approve Selection of and Authorize the Mayor to Sign Task Order No. 7 with Waggoner Engineering, Inc. for the EPA STAG Funded Colony Park Boulevard Water Line Segments- *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "K."*

h) Authorize the Mayor to Sign Agreement No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with Waggoner Engineering, Inc. for the Highland Commerce Drive Project - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "L."*

i) Approve Selection of and Authorize the Mayor to Sign Task Order No. 6 with Waggoner Engineering, Inc. for the SS4A Demonstration Grant Project - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "M."*

j) Approve Resolution Supporting the Application for Grant Funding from the MPO TA Grant Program for the Freedom Ridge Park Multi-use Path Connector - *Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "N."*

k) Approve Resolution Supporting the Application for Grant Funding from the MPO TA Grant Program for the Lake Harbour Drive Multi-Use Path Connector - *Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "O."*

l) Approve Resolution Supporting the Application for Grant Funding from the MPO TA Grant Program for the Old Agency Parkway Multi-use Path Connector - *Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit "P."*

m) Authorize the Mayor to Sign the CE&I Contract with Garver, LLC for the I-55 LED Lighting Project - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "Q."*

n) Award the Bid for Wheatley Street Road Improvements Project to Hemphill Construction - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "R."*

o) Accept Letter from JXNWater and Resolve that No Payments are Due by Either Party for the FY2023 Sewer Bill True-up - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "S."*

p) Approve Waggoner Engineering Invoice 44964 for the Purple Creek Flood Mitigation and Restoration Project - LPDM-PJ-04-MS-2024-004 - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "T."*

q) Approve Selection of and Authorize the Mayor to Sign the CE&I Contract with Benchmark Survey & Engineering, Inc. for Wheatley Street Road Improvements Project - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "U."*

r) Proposal for School of EMS Affiliation & COMPASS Agreement-Fire Department - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "V."*

s) In House Physician Proposal - Fire Department - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "W."*

t) Special Event Permit - Christ Covenant Fundraiser (Police Department) - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "X."*

u) Review and Approve Lexipol Renewal Invoice (Police Department) - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "Y."*

v) Requesting to Authorize the Recreation and Parks Department to issue a Purchase Order to Mars Marketing for T-shirts for Top Soccer Jamboree - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "Z."*

w) Approve the Letter of Engagement with BMSS Advisors & CPAs for the FY2025 Audit - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "AA."*

x) Sewer adjustments - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "BB."*

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 Bill Lee, Alderman D.I. Smith

Nay(s): None

Absent: Alderman Brian Ramsey

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Next came the payment of claims numbered 200941-201349, September 5, 2025, Payroll and Month End in the amount of (\$5,608,025.77). Alderman Wesley Hamlin moved to approve. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Chuck Gautier and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Vote: Aye(s): Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Ken Heard,
Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Bill Lee, Alderman D.I. Smith

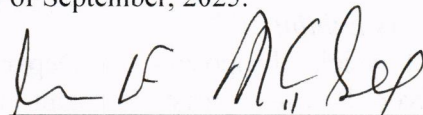
Nay(s): None

Absent: Alderman Brian Ramsey

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

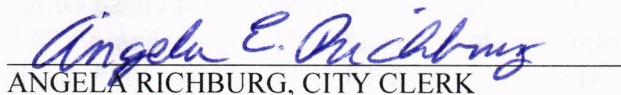
There being no further business, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 23rd day of September, 2025.



GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:



ANGELA RICHBURG, CITY CLERK

