

**MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
April 7, 2015
6:00 PM**

The Mayor called the first regular April, 2015 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to order. Present were Mayor Gene F. McGee, Alderman D. I. Smith, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman Scott Jones, City Attorney James Gabriel, and City Clerk Paula Tierce. The meeting was opened with an invocation by Fire Chief Matt Bailey followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen were provided the statement for services by the City Attorney.

Next came the recognition of Officer Sara Perkins for being selected as the Officer of the Month for January 2015. Mayor McGee informed the Board of Aldermen that on Saturday, January 24, 2015, Officer Perkins responded to a residence where a complainant reported that there were individuals at his home who had threatened him and that he believed they were wanted by the Ridgeland Police Department. Officer Perkins located the individuals and through further investigation located a large amount of narcotics that was concealed in an occupied child carrier. As a result of Officer Perkins' attention to detail, the narcotics were seized along with nearly \$1,000 in US currency, felony warrants were served on two individuals along with charges for possession of cocaine and child neglect. Mayor McGee announced that Officer Perkins was the first female officer to receive Officer of the Month by the Ridgeland Police Department. Mayor McGee commended Officer Perkins for being a professional and motivated officer and encouraged her to continue her hard work in making the City of Ridgeland a safe place to live and work.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the March 16, 2015 Work Session and the March 17, 2015 Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

Next came the continuation for consideration of Baymeadows Section 11 and Class A Non-Conforming Order. Mayor McGee informed the Board of Aldermen that Kelly Simpkins, attorney of record for the City of Ridgeland, had requested that this matter be continued until a later date in order that the information presented by both parties could be reviewed by the Board of Aldermen.

Next came the matter of the items set out on the Consent Agenda. Alderman Brian Ramsey moved to approve the Consent Agenda:

- a) Surplus Plotter (180-2-00051) – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "A"*
- b) Budget Transfer: \$795 from 001-180-501 to 001-180-635 for Plotter Maintenance Agreement through September 30, 2015 – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "B"*
- c) Rice Road Extension Right-of-Way Permit – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "C"*
- d) Surplus Property – Fire Department – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "D"*
- e) Donation of Surplus Property – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "E"*
- f) Special Event – MS Academy of Family Physicians – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "F"*

- g) Declare Morpho Trust USA, LLC Sole Source Provider – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "G"*
- h) Accept \$2500 Donation and Budget Amendment Increasing Accounts 001-550-686 (Donations) and 001-100-730 (Police Capital Purchases) – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "H"*
- i) Surplus Vehicle – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "I"*
- j) Accept Donation of \$500 from Waste Management and Budget Amendment Increasing Accounts 001-000-348 (Donations Restricted) and 001-550-599 (Keep Ridgeland Beautiful/Miscellaneous) – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "J"*
- k) Approve Badger Meter Letter for Central Pipe as Sole Source for Meters – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "K"*
- l) Approve Lake Harbour Drive Extension Engineering Pay Estimate #27 – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "L"*
- m) Approve Lake Harbour Drive Extension Engineering Pay Estimate #28 – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "M"*
- n) Approve Lake Harbour Drive Extension Engineering Pay Estimate #29 – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "N"*
- o) Transfer \$23,695 from Account 400-650-730 (Capital Machinery & Equipment) to 400-650-540 (Supplies) – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "O"*
- p) Approve Street Department Budget Amendment – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "P"*
- q) Approve Memorandum of Understanding for Highland Colony Parkway Overlay from W. County Line Road to Business Park Drive – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "Q"*
- r) Approve Revised Memorandum of Understanding for Multi-Use Trail on East Jackson Street from Highway 51 to Trace Ridge – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "R"*
- s) Establishment of Just Compensation – Lake Harbour Drive Extension – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "S"*
- t) Condemnation of Right-of-Way for the Construction of Colony Park Blvd. – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "T"*
- u) Payment of Relocation Fees to Magnolia Door Company – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "U"*

The Motion was seconded by Alderman D. I. Smith and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman D. I. Smith	Aye
Alderman Scott Jones	Aye
Alderman Wes Hamlin	Aye
Alderman Chuck Gautier	Aye
Alderman Kevin Holder	Aye
Alderman Brian Ramsey	Aye
Alderman Ken Heard	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

There next came for consideration the matter of payment of claims. Alderman Scott Jones moved that claim numbers 121923-122331 with Claim #122067 removed, the March 20, 2015 Payroll, and the April 3, 2015 Payroll be approved and paid. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Chuck Gautier and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman D. I. Smith	Aye
Alderman Scott Jones	Aye
Alderman Wes Hamlin	Aye
Alderman Chuck Gautier	Aye
Alderman Kevin Holder	Aye
Alderman Brian Ramsey	Aye
Alderman Ken Heard	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

The Mayor then informed the Board of Aldermen of the need to go into Closed Session to discuss the need to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. Alderman D. I. Smith moved to go into Closed Session to discuss the need to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Chuck Gautier and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman D. I. Smith	Aye
Alderman Scott Jones	Aye
Alderman Wes Hamlin	Aye
Alderman Chuck Gautier	Aye
Alderman Kevin Holder	Aye
Alderman Brian Ramsey	Aye
Alderman Ken Heard	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman D. I. Smith moved to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Chuck Gautier and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman D. I. Smith	Aye
Alderman Scott Jones	Aye
Alderman Wes Hamlin	Aye
Alderman Chuck Gautier	Aye
Alderman Kevin Holder	Aye
Alderman Brian Ramsey	Aye
Alderman Ken Heard	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Ken Heard moved to leave Executive Session. Alderman Brian Ramsey seconded the Motion and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

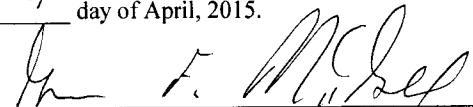
Alderman D. I. Smith	Aye
Alderman Scott Jones	Aye
Alderman Wes Hamlin	Aye
Alderman Chuck Gautier	Aye
Alderman Kevin Holder	Aye
Alderman Brian Ramsey	Aye
Alderman Ken Heard	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

The Mayor reopened the meeting and announced that there was no action taken by the Board of Aldermen during the Executive Session.

There being no further business before the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Mayor declared the first April 2015 meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 8th day of April, 2015.



GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:



PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK

