

**MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI**

July 7, 2026

6:00 PM

The Mayor called the July 7, 2026, 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, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith, Attorney John Scanlon, and City Clerk Angela Richburg. The meeting opened with an invocation by City Engineer Paul Forster followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Next came the recognition of several individuals in the Police Department for their outstanding achievements and service. Chief Brian Myers was honored for being the Top Cop for the Madison County District Attorney's Office; Officer Anthony Thompson was recognized for being the Top Cop for the Ridgeland Police Department; Sergeant Mike McGahey received the John Dorsa Officer of the Year Award; Sergeant Kelly Chapin received the Top Cop Trainer of the year Award; Stephen Webb received the Tyler Technologies Product Efficiency Award; and Officer Jonathan Rodriguez was recognized for being selected "Officer of the Month for June 2026". Mayor McGee stated his appreciation of the excellent work and dedication each had provided the City of Ridgeland.

Mayor McGee further noted that Officer Rodriguez's traffic stop of an individual riding a bicycle without a helmet, and his communication of the individual's description to detectives, helped connect the subject to multiple property crimes in the area. Mayor McGee thanked Officer Rodriguez for his dedication and vigilance in maintaining beat integrity, which contributes to enhancing public safety throughout the City of Ridgeland. He encouraged Officer Rodriguez to continue his outstanding work.

The recommendation letter for Officer Jonathan Rodriguez is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the June 15, 2026, Work Session and the June 16, 2026, Board of Aldermen meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen were presented with the City Attorney's Statement of Services rendered May 23, 2026 through June 23, 2026 and June 2026 Sales Tax Report.

Next came the consideration of the items set out on the Consent Agenda. Alderman D.I. Smith moved to approve the Consent Agenda:

- a) Appoint City Attorney and Fix Compensation - - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "B"*
- b) Petition and Application for Conditional Use Permit for Chick-Fil-A (County Line Road) - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "C"*
- c) Site Plan and Architectural Review for Chick-Fil-A (County Line Road) - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "D"*
- d) Site Plan and Architectural Review for Dave and Buster's - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit "E"*
- e) Site Plan and Architectural Review for Word of Life Church - Architecture - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "F"*
- f) Approve Maison Bleu Phase II Architectural Pattern Book (DRH) - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "G"*
- g) Declare Tri County Tree Service as the Lowest and Best Bidder for the Removal of Trees at 715 Green Forest and Authorize the Public Works Department to Issue a Purchase Order in the Amount of \$6,500.00 and Approve Budget Amendment in the Amount of \$6,500 from the General Fund to 001-180-604 Professional Fees - Other - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "H"*
- h) Approved Cost Resolution for 583 Boardwalk Boulevard - *Resolution Attached Hereto as Exhibit "I"*
- i) Approved Cost Resolution for 615 Muirwood Circle - *Resolution Attached Hereto as Exhibit "J"*
- j) Approved Deep Roots Construction, Inc. Change Order No. 3 (Final Quantity True-up), Pay Estimate No. 12 (Final), and Accept Close Out Documents - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "K"*
- k) Approved Budget Amendment to Accept \$21,927.22 check from Deep Roots for Liquidated Damages and Transfer \$21,925.54 from 001-201-604 to 001-340-637 - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "L"*
- l) Approved Deductive Change Order No. 1 for the Colony Park Boulevard Water Distribution Improvements Project - EPA STAG 03D24224 - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "M"*
- m) Approve the Garver CE&I Invoice No. 4 in the Amount of \$6,683.49 for the I-55 and Old Agency Rd LED Lighting Project – STP-0213-00(038)LPA/109704-701000 - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "N"*
- n) Approve the Hemphill Construction Co. Pay Application No. 9 (Final) in the Amount of \$39,656.50 and Accept Closeout Documents for the Colony Park Boulevard Water and Sewer Project – Madison County ARPA Transfer Funds and State Appropriate Funds - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "O"*
- o) Approve the Hemphill Construction Co. Pay Application No. 12 in the Amount of \$1,469,354.25 for the Highland Colony Parkway Tank and Well Project - MCWI 64-1-DW-5.15 / EPA STAG 03D24224 - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "P"*

- p) Approve the Hemphill Construction Co. Pay Application No. 13 (Final) in the Amount of \$117,207.56 and Accept Closeout Documents for the Purple Creek Basin Drainage Improvements Project - MCWI 600-2-SW-5.6 MOSTF BB.007-004 - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "Q"*
- q) Approve Neel-Schaffer Invoice No. 1116636 in the Amount of \$1,723.52 for the East Lake Harbour Drive Multiuse Trail Extension Project - STP-0213-00(040) LPA / 110154-701000 - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "R"*
- r) Approve the Waggoner Engineering Invoice No. 46797 in the Amount of \$38,384.50 for the Highland Commerce Drive Project - STP-0213-00(039) LPA / 109705-701000 - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "S"*
- s) Authorize the Public Works Department to Use Wilkerson's Diesel & Tire Parts & Service, Inc. to Repair the Public Work Dump Trailer and Issue a Purchase Order in the Amount of \$6,565.72 (Broken Down in Shop) - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "T"*
- t) Authorize the Public Works Department the Authority to Advertise for Term Bids - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "U"*
- u) Authorize the Mayor to submit an application for a \$4Million Grant from FEMA that has been Awarded through the FY26 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Congressionally Directed Spending Program - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "V"*
- v) Authorize Mayor McGee to Sign the 2026 Mini Green Grant Agreement from Keep America Beautiful and Approve Budget Amendment Increasing 001-000-348 Donations Restricted by \$500 and Increasing 001-550-599 Keep Ridgeland Beautiful by \$500 - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "W"*
- w) Ratify the Emergency Declaration Made by Mayor Gene McGee for the Motor Replacement at Hardy Well and the Rebuild of the Failed Motor which Serves as the Backup for the Hardy Road or Old Canton Road Well - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "X"*
- x) Review and Accept Check from the Madison County Board of Supervisors (Police Department) - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "Y"*
- y) Motorola Service Agreement for Fiber Optic Link (Police Department) - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "Z"*
- z) Motorola Service Agreement Backup (Police Department) - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "aa"*
- aa) Review and Approve Surplus Guns (Police Department) - - *Resolution Attached Hereto as Exhibit "bb"*
- bb) Approve the Surplus of a Haier Refrigerator (Police Department) - - *Resolution Attached Hereto as Exhibit "cc"*
- cc) Approval of Sewer Adjustments - *Order Attached Hereto as Exhibit "dd"*

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 Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith

Nay(s): None

Abstention(s): None

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Next came the payment of claims 207375 - 207773, June 15, 2026, Supplemental Payroll, June 26, 2026, Payroll, and June 2026 Month End in the amount of (\$2.685,508.21). Alderman Wesley Hamlin 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 Bill Lee, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman D.I. Smith

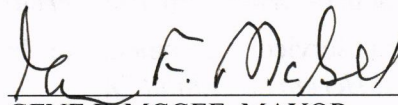
Nay(s): None

Abstention(s): None

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

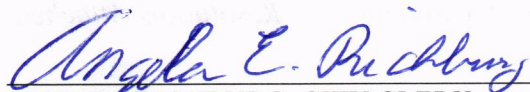
There being no further business before the Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 9th day of July, 2026.



GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:



ANGELA RICHBURG, CITY CLERK

