

MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
SEPTEMBER 15, 2015, 2015
6:00 PM

The Mayor opened the second regular September 2015 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to order. Present were Mayor Gene F. McGee, Alderman D. I. Smith, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Wes Hamlin, Alderman Scott Jones, City Attorney Jerry Mills, City Attorney John Scanlon and City Clerk Paula Tierce. The meeting was opened with an invocation by Alderman Scott Jones followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen were provided a copy of the August 2015 Financial Statement and August 2015 Sales Tax Report.

Next came the presentation of the Government Financial Officers Association *Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting* for Fiscal Year 2014. Mayor Gene McGee presented the award to Paula Tierce, City Clerk, on behalf of the Administration Department.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the August 1, 2015 Board of Aldermen meeting and the July 31, 2015 Work Session Minutes. The Minutes were accepted and approved with no corrections noted. Alderman Brian Ramsey questioned the vote of Alderman D. I. Smith regarding the proposed tax increase and Alderman D. I. Smith stated the vote was recorded to his satisfaction.

Next came the consideration of the proposed Fiscal Year 2016 Budget. Alderman Kevin Holder moved to adopt the proposed Fiscal Year 2016 Budget. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Chuck Gautier and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

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

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried. A copy of the Order is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”.

Next came the consideration of a Resolution Directing the Sale and Award of Taxable Negotiable Refunding Notes, Series 2015. Alderman Scott Jones moved to approve the Resolution Directing the Sale and Award of Taxable Negotiable Refunding Notes, Series 2015. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Wesley Hamlin and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

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

The Mayor then declare the Motion carried. A copy of the Resolution is attached hereto as Exhibit “B”.

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

- a) Approve Award of Term Bids for the Public Works Department – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “C”*
- b) Approve Lake Harbour Drive Extension Easement with Illinois Central Railroad – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “D”*
- c) Approve Lake Harbour Drive Extension Air Space Agreement with MDOT – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “E”*
- d) Accept \$1,000.00 Donation from Lowe's and Authorize Budget Amendment Increasing Accounts 001-000-348 (Donations Restricted) and 001-550-599 (Keep America Beautiful) – *Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit “F”*
- e) Approve Payment of Relocation Expense for Parcels #020-0-0-W/D-1 – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “G”*
- f) Approve renewal of Taylor Power Systems service agreement for Police Department generator – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “H”*
- g) Approve Special Events Permit - Colonial Heights Baptist Church – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “I”*
- h) Approve Special Events Permit - Trunk or Treat – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “J”*
- i) Approve Special Events Permit - Business Communications, Inc. – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “K”*
- j) Approve Special Events - Sysco Foods – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “L”*
- k) Approve Budget Transfers – *Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit “M”*
- l) Receive August 2015 Privilege License Report - *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “N”*

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

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

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Next came for consideration the payment of claims. Alderman Scott Jones moved that claim numbers 125497 through 125809 and September 4, 2015 Payroll be approved and paid. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Kevin Holder and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman D. I. Smith	Aye
Alderman Ken Heard	Aye
Alderman Chuck Gautier	Aye

Alderman Kevin Holder	Aye
Alderman Brian Ramsey	Aye
Alderman Scott Jones	Aye
Alderman Wes Hamlin	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Mayor McGee 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 the pending litigation. Alderman Chuck Gautier made a Motion to go into Closed Session to discuss the need to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Kevin Holder and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

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

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

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

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

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman D. I. Smith made a Motion to leave Executive Session. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Kevin Holder and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

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

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

The Mayor re-opened the meeting and announced that no action was taken by the Board of Aldermen during the Executive Session.

Next came the consideration of Granting or Denying B&M Management Company, LLC’s Petition and Application for Designated Class A Nonconforming Status for Arbors at the Natchez Trace Apartments.

Alderman Scott Jones moved to grant B&M Management Company, LLC’s Petition and Application for Designated Class A Nonconforming Status for Arbors at the Natchez Trace Apartments. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Wesley Hamlin and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

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

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried. A copy of the Order Granting B&M Management Company, LLC’s Petition and Application for Designated Class A Nonconforming Status for Arbors at the Natchez Trace Apartment is attached hereto as Exhibit “O”.

There being no further business before the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7: pm.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the _____ day of September, 2015.

GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK