

MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
NOVEMBER 17, 2015, 2015
6:00 PM

The Mayor opened the second regular November 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 Mayor Gene McGee followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Next came the recognition of Chris Bryson, City Engineer, for receiving the American Water Works Association Young Professional of the Year Award for the State of Mississippi. Mayor McGee informed the Board of Aldermen that each year the Alabama/Mississippi section of the American Water Works Association presents two awards for Young Professional of the Year, one for Alabama and one for Mississippi. The purpose of this award is to highlight the hard work of a young professional who is doing outstanding work for their firm as well as working with the section for the advancement of the water industry. Chris Bryson was nominated by Philip Gibson of Gibson Engineering for his outstanding work with the City of Ridgeland Public Works Department, and his leadership position with the Alabama/Mississippi Section of AWWA. Chris has served as co-chair and the chair of the Young Professional Committee for the past two years. In this capacity, Chris has hosted numerous socials, competitions, and worked to increase young professional membership in the organization. It is because of his hard work and tireless effort that Chris Bryson was awarded the Young Professional of the Year Award for the Alabama/Mississippi section of AWWA. Mayor McGee congratulated Chris and thanked him for his hard work and dedication to the City of Ridgeland.

Next came the matter of accepting the Minutes of the November 2, 2015 Work Session and November 3, 2015 Mayor and Board of Aldermen Meeting. The Minutes were accepted with no corrections noted.

Next came the consideration of the Petition and Application for a Conditional Use Permit for the property located at 229 Highway 51, Ridgeland, Madison County, Mississippi. Alderman Scott Jones moved to adopt an Ordinance granting the conditional use permit contingent that the rear elevation being faced with brick instead of metal and that the project being granted a “No Rise” Certificate in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Program regulations. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Wesley Hamlin and a vote was take 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 Wesley Hamlin	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried. A copy of the Ordinance approving and granting the conditional use permit is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”.

Next came the consideration of the Site Plan/Architectural Review submitted by the Dent Doctor. Alderman Scott Jones moved to approve the Site Plan/Architectural Review contingent that the rear elevation being faced with brick instead of metal and that the project being granted a “No Rise”

Certificate in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Program regulations. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Wesley Hamlin and a vote was take 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 Wesley Hamlin	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried. A copy of the Site Plan/Architectural Review is attached hereto as Exhibit “B”.

Next came the consideration of a Letter Agreement submitted by Mr. James J. Brown for the property located at 615 Old Agency Road, Ridgeland, Madison County, Mississippi. Mayor McGee informed the Board of Aldermen that Mr. Brown had withdrawn the Letter Agreement and requested that the matter be removed from the agenda.

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

- a) Approve Holiday Hours for Hancock Fabrics – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “C”*
- b) Accept Checks for Keep Ridgeland Beautiful and Budget Amendment – *Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit “D”*
- c) Approve Sole Source Letter for Precision Concrete Cutting – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “E”*
- d) Approve Agreement with Integrisite for work on Natchez Trace Water Tank – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “F”*
- e) Approve Lake Harbour Drive Extension Preliminary Engineering Estimate #36 – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “G”*
- f) Special Event Permit Application – Jingle Bell Jog (Southern AgCredit) – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “H”*
- g) Ordinance Establishing the Keep Ridgeland Beautiful Committee and Abolishing Ordinance for the Beautification Committee and Reappointment of Current Committee Members – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “I”*
- h) Declare Vehicles/Refrigerators Surplus Property – *Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit “J”*
- i) BIS Digital Support Agreement Renewal – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “K”*
- j) Declare Sgt. Chad Wardlaw’s Duty Weapon Surplus and Authorize Sale for \$100.00 Upon Retirement – *Resolution Attached Hereto As Exhibit “L”*
- k) Receive October 2015 Privilege License Report – *Order Attached Hereto As Exhibit “M”*
- l) Budget Amendment Increasing Account 001-092-740 (City Hall Maintenance-Capital Vehicles) \$2500.00 and Decreasing Accounts 001-092-535 (City Hall Maintenance-Uniforms) \$650.00, 001-092-605 (City Hall Maintenance-Telephone) \$300.00, 001-092-632 (City Hall Maintenance-Vehicle Maintenance) \$725.00, 001-092-635 (City Hall Maintenance-Equipment Repair & Maintenance) \$250.00, and 001-092-637 (City Hall Maintenance-Maintenance of Public Buildings) \$575.00 for the Purchase of Van Seats – *Resolution 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 126901 through 1267280 and November 13, 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.

There being no further business before the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:08 pm.

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

GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK