

**MINUTES OF THE SECOND REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE
CITY OF MADISON, MISSISSIPPI**

February 16, 2016

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF MADISON**

INTRODUCTION AND ATTENDANCE

The second regular monthly meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Madison, Mississippi was held on Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Courtroom at the Madison Justice Complex. Those present were Mayor Mary Hawkins Butler, Aldermen Tawanna Tatum, Patricia Peeler, Ken Jacobs, Steve Hickok, Guy Bowering, and Warren Strain, City Attorney John Hedglin, and City Clerk/Director of Finance and Administration Susan Crandall. Alderman Mike Hudgins was absent.

Mayor Hawkins Butler called the meeting to order and Alderman Jacobs led in prayer. In attendance at the meeting, as a requirement to earn his Communications Badge, was Raines Walker of Boy Scout Troop 716 affiliated with St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church. After he led in the Pledge of Allegiance, the meeting proceeded as follows:

ADMINISTRATION – CONSENT AGENDA - Approved

Concerning the Consent Agenda, the Mayor asked if there were any items which needed to be removed for discussion. There were none and Alderman Hickok moved that the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Accept Board Meeting Minutes:**
 - 1. First Regular Board Meeting – February 2, 2016
- B. Approve Claims Docket - Exhibit A**
 - 1. Computer Checks – 02/16/2016
109585 - 109744
 - 2. Manual Checks – January 2016
16716-16755; 109438-109443
 - 3. Payroll Checks – 02/05/2016
17086 – 017307
- C. Accept the following proofs of publication: (*Herald & Journal*) – Exhibit B**
 - 1. Advertisement for Bids – sanitary sewer reverse flow project (*Herald & Journal*)
- D. Authorization for the Police Department to remove two (2) vehicles from inventory and take them to auction (*see attached memo*) – Exhibit C**
- E. Approve Police Department February 2016 Travel and Training calendar – Exhibit D**
- F. Approve and authorize Mayor to sign Coleman Hammons Construction Company, LLC, Contract Change Order #1 for AIP Project No. 3-28-0046 023-2015 for Construction of Terminal Building and Sitework and Construction of South Hangar at Bruce Campbell Field – Exhibit E**
- G. Approve Temporary Storage Unit Permit (POD) request for Terry Gleason, 100 East Hill Drive (Arbor Square Subdivision) for the period of February 9, 2016 to February 23, 2016 for repairs due to house flooding – Exhibit F**
- H. Authorization for Fire Department to dispose of fire hose that is unserviceable or damaged beyond repair (not an inventory item)**
- I. Approval of Fire Department request to reimburse Southwest Volunteer Fire Department for property damage to vehicle in the amount of \$934.50 – Exhibit G**
- J. Accept the following Letters of Credit subject to Staff review: - Exhibit H**
 - 1. Irrevocable Letter of Credit 16-003 from Equity Mortgage for \$53,215.00 for Block C-Covington Phase I, II, & III in Reunion Subdivision
 - 2. Irrevocable Letter of Credit 16-005 from Equity Mortgage for \$42,000.00 for Block L-Carlyle in Reunion Subdivision

DISCUSSION REGARDING CITY OF RIDGELAND'S PROPOSED ANNEXATION

Mayor Hawkins Butler and City Attorney John Hedglin presented a brief overview of the City of Ridgeland's proposed annexation. It was noted that if the City of Madison wishes to object to this proposed annexation, a formal objection would need to be filed with the courts by March 23, 2016.

After brief discussion, Alderman Strain made a motion that the City not file a formal objection to Ridgeland's proposed annexation as it is laid out in the court. The motion was seconded by Alderman Bowering, the vote was unanimous in favor of approval and Mayor Hawkins Butler declared the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – POSSIBLE LITIGATION

At the recommendation of City Attorney John Hedglin, Mayor Mary Hawkins Butler requested to enter into a Closed Session to determine if an Executive Session would be appropriate regarding a matter of possible litigation. Alderman Strain made the motion, seconded by Alderman Tatum and unanimously approved by all Board members. The Mayor declared the motion carried and requested that the public vacate the room.


After brief discussion, it was determined that an Executive Session would be appropriate for discussion of a matter of possible litigation. The public was invited to return to the room to hear the motion as follows: Alderman Bowering moved to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a matter of possible litigation. Alderman Jacobs seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of approval. Mayor Hawkins Butler declared the motion carried and once again asked that the room be vacated.

Mr. Hedglin provided an overview of a possible claim against the City from a resident, Mark Buckley, concerning a sewer backup claim for damage to his home located at 252 Woodland Brook Drive in Cross Creek Subdivision. The City's insurance carrier has denied the claim due to immunity based on the Mississippi Tort Claims Act. Due to the damage not being caused by the homeowner and the excessive rainfall that got into the sewer line, Public Works Director Whit Hawkins recommended payment to Mr. Buckley in accordance with a proposed Resolution of payment. After brief discussion, Alderman Bowering moved that the Resolution be approved as presented, seconded by Alderman Hickok, and unanimous approved. Mayor Hawkins Butler declared the motion so carried. A copy of this Resolution is attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit W**.

With no further business for discussion, Mayor Hawkins Butler asked for a motion to end the Executive Session and declare the Board meeting adjourned. Alderman Strain made the motion, seconded by Alderman Hickok and unanimously approved by all Board members. Mayor Hawkins Butler declared the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.


Mayor Mary Hawkins Butler

Attest:


Susan B. Crandall, City Clerk