

SPECIAL CALL MEETING MAY 28, 2014

Be it remembered that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ocean Springs met in a Special Call Meeting at City Hall in the City of Ocean Springs at 5:00 p.m. on May 28, 2014. The Mayor presiding, Aldermen Cox, Gill, McDonnell, Cody, Denyer, Dalgo and Impey were present. Also present was City Clerk Shelly Ferguson and City Attorney John Edwards.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

Alderman Cody gave the invocation and the Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor welcomed Supervisor John McKay and Supervisor Troy Ross. The Mayor addressed the Front Beach Sidewalk issues and presented a letter from Mr. Dax Alexander from Brown, Mitchell & Alexander, Inc. (BMA) (Exhibit a). The Mayor stated she approached the Department of Marine Resources (DMR) to ask if they would assist the City with emergency repairs. She confirmed DMR would be willing to contribute up to \$25,000.00 for repairs to the pedestrian pathway. Alderman McDonnell asked if these funds are in addition to the ability for the City to shift existing tideland funds. The Mayor stated she has not discussed or confirmed that with DMR.

Mr. Dax Alexander addressed his letter the Mayor had presented to the Board. He spoke of the recommendations to repair damage to the sidewalk and to minimize beach erosion from storm water at a few locations on Front Beach (Exhibit a).

Supervisor Ross stated the County spent over \$300,000.00 less than twelve (12) months ago to replenish the sand on Front Beach. Supervisor McKay further stated they paid recently spend \$57,000.00 for the emergency repairs. In the past years, Supervisor Ross stated the County replenished the sand every other year. Since the sidewalk was built, the County has had to replenish the sand every year.

There was discussion about whether to relocate approximately 250 linear feet of the damaged sidewalk but leave the seat wall in place. The re-construction of the new sidewalk would be attached to the existing seawall. The Board agreed that ground penetrating radar (GPR) must be done to determine the voids under the entire sidewalk. Mr. Alexander recommended Python Corporation, concrete restoration/protection specialists, to do the ground radar and sidewalk repairs. Mr. Alexander stated Mr. Paul Wright with Python Corporation, suggested constructing a urethane "curtain wall" to stabilize the seat wall in case of beach erosion that may occur in the future. The Board asked if there is a local company that does this type of work.

Mr. Alexander also addressed planting more vegetation in certain areas as a means of stormwater control.

Motion was made by Alderman McDonnell, seconded by Alderman Dalgo and unanimously carried to authorize the Public Works Department to work with Jackson County to remove 250 ft. of damaged concrete panels on Front Beach; leave the seat wall in place and back fill sand between the seawall and seat wall.

Motion was made by Alderman McDonnell, seconded by Alderman Cody and unanimously carried to table the discussion concerning the Special Event Permit Applications until the Board meeting on June 3, 2014.

Motion was made by Alderman McDonnell, seconded by Alderman Impey and unanimously carried to adjourn the Special Call Meeting.

Meeting ended at 6:40 p.m.

City Clerk

Mayor

**CITY OF OCEAN SPRINGS
COUNTY OF JACKSON
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

Call for a Special Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ocean Springs, Mississippi.

From: Mayor Moran

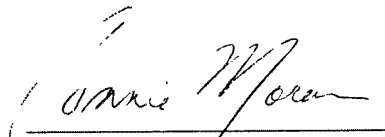
To: Aldermen Cox, Gill, McDonnell, Cody, Denyer, Dalgo, and Impey

You are hereby notified that a Special Call Meeting is called to meet at City Hall at **5:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 28, 2014.**

THE OBJECT OF THE MEETING IS AS FOLLOWS:


Any and all matters pertaining to:

- a) Front Beach Sidewalk Repairs
- b) Special Event Permits



Connie Moran, Mayor

ATTEST:



Shelly Ferguson, City Clerk