

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

CITY CLERK:

Motion was made by Alderman Impey, seconded by Alderman Cox and unanimously carried to approve the Docket of Claims; the Board finds that all expenses are lawful and appropriate (Exhibit 6-a).

Motion was made by Alderman Impey, seconded by Alderman Gill and unanimously carried to adjust the water/sewer accounts listed on Exhibit 6-b with the finding that the customers did not receive the benefit of the utility and the excess usages were due to unforeseen circumstances (Exhibit 6-b).

BUILDING:

Motion was made by Alderman Gill, seconded by Alderman Bellman and unanimously carried to approve the parade route tree trimming by McClain's Tree Experts in the amount of \$4,800 (Exhibit A - 2a).

PUBLIC COMMENT

Julia Weaver, 334 Lovers Lane, said that she sent a letter to the Board, Mayor and County Supervisor asking for information regarding the concrete swales project proposed for Front Beach. She is requesting a meeting be held in Ocean Springs to discuss and inform citizens about the project and the goal before the work is started. Alderman Authement responded that after Thanksgiving the project will be placed on the agenda so that the Board and Mayor are also well informed.

Mr. James Lewis asked what the bottom line was on the Dog Park. The City Clerk said approximately \$130,000 but was not sure. Mr. Lewis said he would come by to speak to her tomorrow to get a definite amount.

ALDERMAN'S FORUM

Alderman Authement said the MLK Park restroom will be removed and rebuilt with two restrooms. The Parks & Recreation Director said there will be an announcement posted before the work starts.

Alderman Papania said that a citizen called about a sink hole after a heavy rain which Public Works fixed quickly and courteously. The homeowner would like to recognize their hard work and professionalism by offering a gift certificate to Woody's to the three Public Works employees, Stephen Farnsworth, Ryan Hollingsworth and Matt Spicer. He then asked the Building Official to review the situation in the Canebrake neighborhood with

construction issues including ash and noise. He said that he spoke with Brian Fulton with the County about the Monster Ditch and it is moving forward. He asked the Public Works Assistant Director to review the Saratoga Drive drainage system issues and compile a solution. He said he read an article in the Sun Herald declaring the Ocean Springs Tennis Courts as a benchmark for other local cities. Lastly, he said that there is a light out at 124 Colmer Circle which needs to be replaced.

Alderman Impey said the current BP process is moving forward but we need to start thinking about projects for next year so that City is prepared. He said the public private partnership for the parking garage will need to get to Joe Gill before the legislature goes into session. He asked the Planning & Grants Administrator about the status of the CBDG Block Grant. She responded that the Bills Avenue project water and sewer bids are out now. She said that she should have more information on other projects and pre-development within the next few weeks. He then asked Cynthia Sutton, Director at Chamber of Commerce, about her experience on the trip to Atlanta for the Retail Conference. She responded that it was great working with the City and the Foundation Group at the booth and received good information. He wished everyone a good Thanksgiving.

Alderman Papania added that he would like to see foliage placed around Public Works on Pine Street to camouflage the area between the Ryan Youth Center and Public Works. He requested that 100 seven gallon Japanese Yew shrubs be purchased for \$2,000.00 to be funded from the landscaping budget.

The Parks & Recreation Director said that the Jackson County Super Bowl will be this Sunday at Greyhound Stadium, with a 11 and 12 year old championship and a 5 and 6 year old flag football championship. She added that the City now has 44 youth basketball teams and is utilizing all available courts.

The Mayor Pro-tempore asked the City Clerk about Ward funds not carrying over like they had in the past. She responded that the auditor pointed out that there should be no carry over of funds but she could do a budget amendment to adjust them.

Alderman Gill said that the Crepe Myrtles on Highway 90 are in bad shape and many of them have been hit by vehicles. He said the majority of them are turning black due to disease and would like to see it addressed when they are trimmed back this year. The Mayor Pro-tempore said it has been considered but it is a very expensive treatment and will need to determine the timeline for MDOT's expansion of Highway 90 before expensive saving measures were taken.

Alderman Cox asked the Public Works Director about the grass cutting on Highway 90. The City Clerk said that the contract to cut the grass will be bid out and put on the next agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Alderman Gill, seconded by Alderman Authement and unanimously carried to go into closed session to determine the necessity of going into executive session.

The City Clerk returned to the meeting and announced a motion was made by Alderman Impey, seconded by Alderman Authement and unanimously carried to remain in executive session to discuss potential litigation of 415 East Beach, potential litigation of Lakeview Phase III Infrastructure, personnel in Public Works, the Chaney lawsuit, the 209 Front Beach lawsuit, the Sands appeal and the opioid litigation.

Motion was made by Alderman Impey, seconded by Alderman Bellman and unanimously carried to begin the process of replacing employee number 2286 as a Street Laborer.

Motion was made by Alderman Impey, seconded by Alderman Papania and unanimously carried to authorize the City Attorney to begin legal action to enforce the developer's warranty of Lakeview Subdivision.

Motion was made by Alderman Authement, seconded by Alderman Papania and unanimously carried to authorize the City Attorney to enter into limited settlement negotiations regarding 1307 Cove Avenue.

Motion was made by Alderman Impey, seconded by Alderman Cox and unanimously carried to come out of executive session.

The Executive Assistant to the Mayor & Board was asked about the Retail Conference she attended in Atlanta with the Foundation Group. She said she had sent the Board a list of questions before the attending to establish the results they wanted from the Foundation Group. She answered to the best of her ability and gave them a print out of the results.

Motion was made by Alderman Impey, seconded by Alderman Bellman and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting until 6:00 p.m. on December 3, 2019.

Meeting ended at 9:20 p.m.

Patty Gaston
City Clerk
12/17/19
Date

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Mayor
12/17/19
Date

ADDENDUM TO RECESS MEETING AGENDA
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN • CITY OF OCEAN SPRINGS
November 19, 2019 – 6:00 p.m. at City Hall

1) CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor:

- a) Approve Walk/Run Permit Application for Bridge-for-Life Walk/Run by South MS AIDS Task Force; Scheduled for Saturday, November 30, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.; on the OS Bridge; no cost incurred by the City (Exhibit A – 1a)
- b) Approve Special Event Permit Application for Feral Feline Coalition 1st Annual Tennis Tournament; Scheduled for Saturday, January 25, 2020 at 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.; at Halstead Tennis Courts; no cost incurred by the City, any charges will be paid by Feral Feline Coalition (Exhibit A -1b)

Human Resources: (Exhibit A – 1c)

- c) Authorize employment of Paul Moshenrose, General Service Officer, effective on or about November 20, 2019, \$12.50 hourly rate, one year probation, pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements
- d) Authorize employment of Ross Taylor, General Service Officer, effective on or about November 20, 2019, \$12.50 hourly rate, one year probation, pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements

2) DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Building:

- a) Approve Parade Route Tree Trimming by McClain's Tree Experts in the amount of \$4,800 (Exhibit A – 2a)

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Discussion of Adoption of Ordinance 2019-19; an Amendment to the Code of Ordinances to restrict noise from construction work (Exhibit 3-a)
- b) Discussion of rental of Civic Center to Northwood Church

4. OLD BUSINESS

- a) AGJ Update – Melvin Chipley
- b) Wellness Plan – John Lockard
- c) Authorize the Mayor to execute the contract with The Future Design Group for a new City Website (Exhibit 4-c)

5. CONSENT AGENDA*

** Consent Agenda – All matters listed under Item 5, Consent Agenda, are considered to be routine by the Board of Aldermen and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.*

City Clerk:

- a) Ratify check to Russell County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$960.00 for Practical Homicide Investigation training class (Exhibit 5-a)

Police Department:

- b) Accept monthly Fire Department Report for October 2019 (Exhibit 5-b)
- c) Approve transfer of two mobile light generators assets 4616 and 4617; from Fire Department inventory to Public Works Department Inventory (Exhibit 5-c)

Community Development & Planning:

- d) Authorize the Mayor to execute the attached Funding Grant Agreement and to begin the process for distribution and project implementation to include the establishment of a separate bank account as required (Exhibit 5-d)

Historic Preservation Commission:

- e) Approve Certificate of Appropriateness for the construction of a fence – 499 Front Beach Drive, Fort Maurepas Park (Exhibit 5-e)

Building Department:

- f) Accept Tree Protection Committee meeting minutes from November 12, 2019 (Exhibit 5-f)

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8. ALDERMEN'S FORUM

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Personnel in Public Works
- b) Lakeview Phase III Infrastructure
- c) Chaney Lawsuit
- d) 209 Front Beach Lawsuit
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