

## **SPECIAL CALL MEETING JUNE 7, 2021**

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 10:00 a.m. on June 7, 2021. The Mayor presiding, Aldermen Authement, Bellman, Cox, and Papania were present. Alderman Blackman and City Attorney Will Norman joined the meeting by teleconference pursuant to Section 25-41-5 of the Mississippi Code. Let the minutes reflect that there is a speaker in the meeting room and that all those present can hear Alderman Blackman and the City Attorney. Absent from the meeting were Aldermen Gill and Impey. Also present were Deputy City Clerk Vicky Hupe, Police Chief Mark Dunston, Building Official Darrell Stringfellow, Public Works Director Allan Ladnier, Public Works Assistant Director Candice Hooks, Executive Assistant to the Mayor & Board Meggan Switzer, and City Engineer James Foster.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

The Special Call Meeting is for the purpose of any and all matters pertaining the discussion of drainage issues and repairs on Porter Avenue.

A motion was made by Alderman Cox and seconded by Alderman Authement to accept the agenda.

The motion carried with a roll call vote as follows:

Alderman Gill	Absent
Alderman Authement	Aye
Alderman Bellman	Aye
Alderman Cox	Aye
Alderman Papania	Aye
Alderman Blackman	Aye
Alderman Impey	Absent

The City Engineer said Overstreet Engineering has developed plans for the Porter Avenue Drainage Project. He said the drainage project would be between 604 and 616 Porter Avenue, near The Roost. He said the plan is to put a curb inlet in the low spot between The Roost and the new construction on the south side of Porter Avenue. He explained a drainage pipe would go across the street and connect to an existing inlet on the north side. He said the curb, gutter, and sidewalk will be rebuilt on the south side from Martin Avenue to the new catch basin. Alderman Authement asked how many days Porter Avenue would need to be closed. The City Engineer said using pre-cast catch basins should take approximately one day with crushed limestone until the road can be patched. Alderman Cox verified the City had spoken with The Roost to ensure the new proposed area plan would accommodate their new parking site. Alderman Papania asked who will complete the work. The Public Works Director said most would be completed in-house and possibly Graham Construction assisting in the project since they are under contract. The Mayor asked how long before Public Works

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could start the project. The Public Works Director said there is a meeting today with Graham Construction this afternoon to discuss the drainage project on Barbara Circle contract and it would be a minimum of three weeks before the Porter Avenue Project could begin. Alderman Authement expressed concern that three weeks would be too long to wait. Alderman Papania insisted that Barbara Circle not be pushed back. The Public Works Director said it would take 4 to 6 weeks to get the pre-cast catch basins for the Porter Avenue Project. Casting in place was discussed but it was decided against. Alderman Cox suggested contracting out the Porter Avenue Project. The Public Works Director said the way scheduling has been with outside contractors there is no guarantee they would be any faster.

A motion was made by Alderman Cox and seconded by Alderman Authement to authorize the Mayor to execute the contract with Overstreet Engineering for the survey, design, permitting, and construction administration of design of drainage improvements between 604 and 616 Porter Avenue, along with other related restoration, all more generally described as "Porter Avenue Drainage Improvements".

The motion carried with a roll call vote as follows:

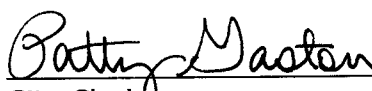
Alderman Gill	Absent
Alderman Authement	Aye
Alderman Bellman	Aye
Alderman Cox	Aye
Alderman Papania	Aye
Alderman Blackman	Aye
Alderman Impey	Absent

A motion was made by Alderman Papania and seconded by Alderman Cox to adjourn the meeting.

The motion carried with a roll call vote as follows:

Alderman Gill	Absent
Alderman Authement	Aye
Alderman Bellman	Aye
Alderman Cox	Aye
Alderman Papania	Aye
Alderman Blackman	Aye
Alderman Impey	Absent

The meeting ended at 10:15 a.m.

 07/06/2021  
City Clerk Date

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Mayor Date