

**SECOND REGULAR AUGUST 2009 MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
AUGUST 18, 2009
6:00 P.M.**

The Mayor called the second regular August 2009 meeting to order. Present were Mayor Gene F. McGee, Alderman Gerald Steen, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Brian Ramsey, Alderman Scott Jones, City Clerk David Overby, and City Attorney Jerry Mills. The meeting opened with an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. Alderman Wesley Hamlin entered the meeting at this time.

The Mayor and Board were furnished copies of the minutes from the August 6, Zoning Board meeting, and financial statements for the period ending June 30, 2009.

The first order of business was the matter of accepting the minutes from the August 4, 2009 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen. The minutes were accepted with no corrections.

CODE ENFORCEMENT HEARINGS

There next came for consideration the matter of Code Enforcement hearings for properties located at 879 William Boulevard and 336 Woodrun Drive. After the Mayor and Board reviewed photographs of the condition of said properties, the Mayor asked if anyone wished to come forward and speak. There being no response, Alderman Steen moved to accept the Code Enforcement Officer's recommendation and adjudicate the cost of cleaning pursuant to Section 21-19-11 Mississippi Code of 1972.

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Holder and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Ramsey	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye
Alderman Hamlin	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

There next came for consideration the matter of the items set out on the Consent Agenda. Alderman Jones moved to approve the following Consent Agenda.

- (a) Establishment of Just Compensation-White Oak Creek Sewer Project/Sample & Associates-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "A"
- (b) CDBG & SLRF/Request for Cash & Invoices-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "B"
- (c) Special Event Permits-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "C"
 - i. Surviving the Sizzle Run/Waive Fees
 - ii. Back to School Drive-Alpha Phi Alpha/Waive Fees
- (d) Check Deposit/Reimbursement for Overtime & Vehicle Allowance for Detective Mark Penn
- (e) Code Enforcement-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "D"
Set Hearing Date-September 15, 2009

- i. 716 Lansdowne Lane (Lisa Pittman)
 - ii. 812 Lake Harbour Drive (RTE Properties LLC)
- Cancel Hearings
 - i. Highway 51 Parcel #072I-30C-005/01.01 (Ed Cheshire)
 - ii. 311 Buckingham Court
- (f) Year End Budget Amendments to Cover Shortages-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "E"
- (g) Landscape Contract Renewal/Harbor Drive and City Entrance Sign on Spillway Road-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "F"
- (h) Petition to Rezone Real Property/Evelyn Cotton Smith, Joe Earl Cotton & Curtis Coleman-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "G"
- (i) Mississippi Craft Center/Paving of Parking Lot Resolution-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "H"
- (j) Memorandum of Understanding/MDOT Enhancement Funds-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "I"

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Gautier and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Ramsey	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye
Alderman Hamlin	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

There next came for consideration the matter of payment of claims. Alderman Jones moved that claim numbers 78928 through 79319 with the exception of claim numbers 79090 through 79098 (Fuelman of MS) on claims docket dated 08/18/09 be paid.

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Steen and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Ramsey	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye
Alderman Hamlin	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

At this time, Alderman Steen left the meeting due to potential conflict of interest.

Alderman Jones moved that claim numbers 79090 through 79098 (Fuelman of MS) be paid.

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Ramsey and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman Steen	Absent
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye

Alderman Ramsey	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye
Alderman Hamlin	Aye

The Mayor declared the Motion carried.

Alderman Steen returned to the meeting.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Ramsey moved that the meeting be closed to determine the necessity for an executive session.

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Jones and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Ramsey	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye
Alderman Hamlin	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

The meeting was closed and discussion followed regarding the necessity of going into executive session to discuss negotiations regarding purchase of certain properties.

Alderman Holder moved that the Mayor and Board of Alderman go into executive session.

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Hamlin and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Ramsey	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye
Alderman Hamlin	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

The Mayor reopened the meeting and announced that, by unanimous vote, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen were going into executive session to discuss negotiation of property.

After discussion, Alderman Jones moved to authorize Woody Sample, Sample & Associates, to pay the additional compensation requested by the Harrells' for Parcels 36 and 124 located on Old Agency Road, only after attempting to get them to accept \$500.00 per parcel.

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Heard and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye

Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Ramsey	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye
Alderman Hamlin	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Alderman Steen moved that the Mayor and Board come out of executive session.

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Holder and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Ramsey	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye
Alderman Hamlin	Aye

The Mayor declared the Motion carried.

The meeting was reopened, whereupon the Mayor informed the public of the action taken during executive session.

ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY

Next, Alderman Jones moved to pay the additional compensation in the amount of \$83.00 requested by Velma Johnson for her parcel located on Old Agency Road.

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Ramsey and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Ramsey	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye
Alderman Hamlin	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Mayor and Board of Aldermen the Mayor declared the regular meeting adjourned.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE this the _____ day of

Gene F. McGee, Mayor

ATTEST:

David W. Overby, City Clerk