

**MINUTES OF THE FIRST SEPTEMBER 2011 RECESS MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
SEPTEMBER 26, 2011
6:00 P.M.**

The Mayor announced that the time and date had arrived to reconvene the second regular September 2011 meeting, which was recessed until September 26, 2011 at 6:00 p.m., in order to continue discussion related to a personnel matter. The Mayor then called the 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, Alderman Wesley Hamlin, City Clerk David Overby, and City Attorney James Gabriel. The meeting opened with an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor adjudicated that proper notice of this recess meeting, as set for 6:00 p.m. September 26, 2011, was posted. A copy of said notice is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

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.

The meeting was closed and discussion followed regarding the necessity of going into executive session.

Alderman Gautier moved that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen go into executive session to continue discussion regarding a personnel matter.

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 continue discussion regarding a personnel matter. The meeting was then closed and the Board went into executive session.

After discussion, during which no formal action was taken, Alderman Ramsey moved that the Board come out of executive session.

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.

The meeting was then reopened, whereupon the Mayor informed the public that no action was taken during executive session.

CITY OF RIDGELAND CHIEF OF POLICE APPOINTMENT/PAY GRADE

There next came for consideration the matter of appointing a Chief of Police to the City's Police Department. After discussion, Alderman Steen moved to appoint Jimmy R. Houston, Sr. to the position of Police Chief with an effective date of October 1, 2011 and further moved to set the salary at Pay Grade M13, Step 28.

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

Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Nay
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Nay
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 first September 2011 recess meeting adjourned.