

**MINUTES OF THE FIRST REGULAR DECEMBER 2010 MEETING OF THE  
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE  
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI  
DECEMBER 7, 2010  
6:00 P.M.**

The Mayor called the first regular December 2010 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen 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 Mayor introduced Boy Scout Thomas Maisel of Troop 9 sponsored by Ridgecrest Baptist Church. Scout Maisel led the Pledge of Allegiance following an invocation offered by the Mayor.

At this time, the Mayor recognized and congratulated Police Officer Brad Carter for being selected as the Police Department's "Officer of the Month" for the month of October 2010.

The first order of business was the matter of accepting the minutes from the November 16, 2010 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen. The minutes were accepted with no corrections.

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**PUBLIC HEARING/CONSIDER COLONY PARK  
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ORDINANCE**

The Mayor announces that the public hearing regarding the petition filed by Colony Properties, LLC to establish a public improvement district is now open. Notice of the public hearing was published in the Clarion-Ledger on November 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2010. A copy of the notice is attached hereto as Exhibit "A". The Petitioner requests that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen consider adopting an ordinance to establish a public improvement district on approximately one hundred twenty-four (124) acres of property located north of Old Agency Road, west of Interstate 55, and south of the center line of Steed Road.

H. C. Bailey presented an overview of the proposed Colony Park Public Improvement District and explained that the district will acquire or construct multi-use trails, sidewalks, street lighting, patrol vehicles, landscaping, pedestrian crossings, signage, underground utilities, water retention facilities, observation decks, mail kiosks and other infrastructures if approved. After Mr. Bailey answered questions by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Mayor asked if anyone wished to come forward with comments. There being no response, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed. At this time, Alderman Jones moved to adopt the aforementioned Ordinance, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

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.

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## CONSENT AGENDA

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

- (a) Applications for Special Event Permits-Police Dept
  - i. Shucker's-12th Annual Crawfish Boil
  - ii. Shucker's-12th Annual Cajun FestOrder attached hereto as Exhibit "C"
- (b) Site Plan/Architectural Review for Storefront at Renaissance at Colony Park (Another Broken Egg)-Community Development-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "D"
- (c) Establish Just Compensation-White Oak Creek Sewer Project-Sample, Hicks & Associates-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "E"
- (d) Advertise for 2011-2012 City Depositories-Administration-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "F"
- (e) Request to Declare Vehicles as Surplus Property-Police Dept-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "G"
- (f) Request Approval of Budget Transfer/Reimbursement from OJP Bulletproof Vest Program-Police Dept-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "H"
- (g) Request Approval of Budget Amendment/Public Utilities Fund Budget for Gas and Oil (400-650-525) and Uniforms (400-650-535)-Public Works Order attached hereto as Exhibit "I"
- (h) Request Approval of Amendment No. 3 to Engineering Services Contract for Lake Harbour Widening Project (Waggoner Engineering)-Public Works Order attached hereto as Exhibit "J"
- (i) Request Approval of Supplemental Agreement No. 2 to extend Engineering Services Contract for Lake Harbour Drive Extension (Waggoner Engineering)-Public Works-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "K"
- (j) Request Approval of Utility Agreement with Entergy for Lake Harbour Widening Project-Public Works-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "L"
- (k) Request Approval of Amendment No. 12 to Engineering Services Contract for Western Water and Sewer System Improvements (Waggoner Engineering)-Public Works-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "M"
- (l) Request Authorization to bid Phase II of Western Water Improvements-Public Works-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "N"
- (m) Request Approval of DEQ Requisition No. 11 for White Oak Creek Sewer Project (Hemphill Construction and Sample, Hicks & Associates)-Public Works Order attached hereto as Exhibit "O"
- (n) Request Approval of CDBG Requisition No. 19 for Western Water System Improvements (Blurton, Banks & Associates and Sample, Hicks & Associates)-Public Works-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "P"
- (o) Request Approval of Change Order No. 3-Western Water System Improvements, Phase I Water Mains (Blurton, Banks & Associates)-Public Works Order attached hereto as Exhibit "Q"
- (p) Beautification Committee/Wesley Hamlin-Appoint Stacy Lowrance-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "R"

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.

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**PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

There next came for consideration the matter of payment of claims. Alderman Jones moved that claim numbers 89477-89890 with the exception of claim numbers 89653-89669 (Fuelman of MS) on claims docket dated December 3, 2010 be paid.

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.

Alderman Steen recused himself and left the boardroom to avoid any perception of impropriety.

Alderman Ramsey moved that claim numbers 89653-89669 (Fuelman of MS) on claims docket December 3, 2010 be paid.

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Jones 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 then 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 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 declared the Motion carried.

The meeting was closed and discussion followed regarding the necessity of going into executive session to discuss potential litigation and contract negotiation for real property.

Alderman Gautier moved that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen 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 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 potential litigation and contract negotiation for the acquisition of real property.

The meeting was then closed and the Board went into executive session.

Following discussion, Alderman Jones moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Tecspan Concrete Structures, LLC for the purchase of real property located on Highway 51 in Ridgeland, Mississippi. A copy of the purchase agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "S".

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

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

The Mayor declared the Motion carried.

Next, Alderman Jones moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Jackson Ready Mix for the purchase of additional real property located on Highway 51 in Ridgeland, Mississippi. A copy of the sales contract is attached hereto as Exhibit "T".

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

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

The Mayor declared the Motion carried.

At this time, Alderman Steen stated for the record that he voted against the acquisition of the two properties due to a probable tax increase resulting from the purchase.

Mayor Gene McGee gave control of the meeting to the Mayor Pro Tempore (Pro Tem) Scott Jones and left the meeting at 7:30.

After discussion, Alderman Hamlin moved to adopt an Order for Old Canton Road Investments, LLC to complete the retaining wall project at Trace Harbor Village. A copy of said Order is attached hereto as Exhibit "U".

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	Pro Tem
Alderman Hamlin	Aye

The Mayor Pro Tem declared the Motion carried.

Alderman Holder moved that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen come out of 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	Pro Tem
Alderman Hamlin	Aye

The Mayor Pro Tem declared the Motion carried.

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

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Mayor Pro Tem declared the first regular December meeting adjourned.