

**FIRST REGULAR JANUARY 2009 MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
JANUARY 6, 2009
6:30 P.M.**

The Mayor called the first regular January 2009 meeting to order. Present were Mayor Gene F. McGee, Alderman Linda Davis, Alderman Gerald Steen, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Larry Roberts, Alderman Scott Jones, City Clerk David W. Overby, and City Attorney James Gabriel. The meeting opened with an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor and Board were furnished copies of the minutes of the December 23, 2008 meeting of the Architectural Review Board.

The Mayor announced that for the sixteenth year that the City of Ridgeland was recently awarded the Certificate of Achievement of Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for its fiscal year 2007 Comprehensive Annual Finance Report (CAFR). The Mayor then presented David Overby, Director of Finance and Administration/City Clerk with the GFOA Award of Financial Reporting Achievement.

The first order of business was the matter of accepting the minutes from the December 16, 2008 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen. The minutes were accepted with no corrections.

COLONY PARK TIF

There next came for consideration the matter of considering a request by the developers of the Colony Park project for the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to consider the Colony Park Tax Increment Finance Plan. After discussion, Alderman Jones moved that the city affirm its commitment, as expressed in the development agreement concerning Colony Park, by voting to issue bonds for a time frame not to exceed twenty years and in an amount not to exceed that which can be repaid by the percentages of revenues stipulated in the development agreement; and that the amount of annual revenue by which the bond issue principal amount may be determined is \$1,960,000.

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Gautier.

Alderman Steen made a Substitute Motion to limit the time frame to issue bonds to fifteen years.

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

Alderman Davis	Nay
Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Nay
Alderman Gautier	Nay
Alderman Holder	Nay
Alderman Roberts	Aye
Alderman Jones	Nay

The Mayor then declared the Substitute Motion failed.

Then, the Original Motion to issue bonds for the Colony Park project for a time frame not to exceed twenty years was voted thereon as follows:

Alderman Davis	Aye
Alderman Steen	Nay

Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Roberts	Nay
Alderman Jones	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Original Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- (a) Site Plan/Aqua the Day Spa & Barnett’s Salon-Order attached hereto as Exhibit “A”
- (b) Code Enforcement /211 Clay Street-Adjudicate Cost of Cleaning-Order attached hereto as Exhibit “B”
- (c) Surplus Equipment/Police Department-Order attached hereto as Exhibit “C”
- (d) Check Deposit (Traveler’s Insurance)/Budget Amendment-Police Department-Order attached hereto as Exhibit “D”
- (e) CDBG Invoice/Livingston Road Water Improvements-Order attached hereto as Exhibit “E”
- (f) Establishment of Just Compensation/White Oak Creek Sewer-Order attached hereto as Exhibit “F”
- (g) Fontaine Place/Final Plat-Order attached hereto as Exhibit “G”
- (h) Amendment to Sign Ordinance/Set Public Hearing-February 3, 2009

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

Alderman Davis	Aye
Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Roberts	Aye
Alderman Jones	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 73767 through 74101 with the exception of claim numbers 73828 through 73831 (Cellular South) on claims docket dated January 6, 2009 be paid.

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

Alderman Davis	Aye
Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Roberts	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

At this time, Alderman Roberts left the meeting because his wife is employed by Cellular South.

Alderman Jones made a motion to pay claim numbers 73828 through 73831 (Cellular South) on claims docket dated January 6, 2009.

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

Alderman Davis	Aye
Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Roberts	Absent
Alderman Jones	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Mayor and Board the Mayor declared the first regular January 2009 meeting adjourned.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE this the _____ day of January 2009.

Gene F. McGee, Mayor

ATTEST:

David W. Overby, City Clerk