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Regular Meeting of December 21, 2022
6:30 p.m.

The Board Mayor and Alderman of the City of Waveland, Mississippi, met in regular session at the Waveland City Hall Boardroom, 301 Coleman Avenue, Waveland, Mississippi, on December 21, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. to take action on the following matters of City business.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Pro-Tem Lafontaine noted for the record the presence of Aldermen Burke, Richardson, and Piazza, along with City Clerk Tammy Fayard and City Attorney Malcom Jones.

Absent from the Meeting was Mayor Mike Smith.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Re: Amend Agenda to add the following Items:

Aldermen Piazza moved, seconded by Aldermen Richardson to amend the agenda to add the following items to the consent agenda:

- a) Travel for the Board of Mayor and Aldermen to attend the Mississippi Municipal League Mid-Winter Conference, January 10-12, 2023 in Jackson, Mississippi. Cost to the City will be a registration fee in the amount of \$200.00 per person, 3 days per diem per person, lodging for 3 nights per person, and use of a City Vehicle or reimbursement for mileage per person. (Item l)
- b) Spread on the minutes the resignation of Officer Necaccia Phifer effective December 30, 2022. (Item m)
- c) Approve a Letter of Engagement with TMH Auditors for FY Ending September 30, 2022. (Item n)

A vote was called for with the following results

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson & Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: Mayor Smith

ALDERMAN'S COMMENTS

Re: Alderman Burke

- Discussed the old Rite-Aid Building on the corner of Highway 90 and Nicholson Avenue; it was sold at the beginning of the month to a gentleman in New Orleans.
- Recognized Officer Brandon Estorffe and Sargeant Steven Robin who recently passed away in the Line of Duty, a very sad day for all of Hancock County.

Re: Alderman Richardson

- Thanked Alderman Burke, Lafontaine and Piazza for their 8 years of commitment to the citizens of Waveland and that it had been an honor serving with them. He said he felt they had been great representatives for the City and the residents of their wards; the board accomplished a great deal during that time.

Re: Mayor Pro-Tem Lafontaine

- Added that he felt exactly the same way and agreed a 100%. He had similar sentiments written down to say.

Re: Alderman Piazza

- Inquired about the City Limits sign on Highway 90. City Attorney Malcolm Jones said he had spoken with Josh Hayes and tasked him with that and report back to the Board with his findings.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

BLIGHTED PROPERTY

Re: 1207 Toronto Street

- Ms. Hannah McCraney addressed the Board to let them know the owner had demo'd the top half of the house and is currently waiting on the plans. They have had no building

permits pulled` until plans are done'. The City Attorney said he did not want this to fall off the radar because of the neighbors and suggested this be put back on the agenda either in late January or late February so it won't fall off the radar. Hanna said she would do that.

- The City Attorney added that he wanted say something that comes under blighted properties.

He said that a lot of people ask questions about the signage and letters that were sent out to all the affected parties. The deadline for them to respond on the first round was January 8th or 9th. After that date, we'll come back to the new Board and make reports on each one of those signs; that's the plan.

CONSENT AGENDA

Re: Consent Agenda: Items a-n excluding Items g & l

During discussion, City Attorney Jones asked regarding travel for the MML conference, there's a city attorney session that he usually goes to on one of the days. He said he does not ask the City to pay per diem for him nor does he charge for hotel, but could he be added to the municipal attorneys seminar as we've done in the past. He would need just the seminar cost. The Board agreed to amend the agenda, item l.

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to approve the following Consent Agenda items, being listed Items a-n, and excluding items g & l at this time.

A vote was called for with the following results

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson & Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: Mayor Smith

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Re: Permits Reports for the Month of November 2022

- a. Approve Permit Reports for November 2022, as submitted (EXHIBIT A)

MINUTES/COURT DEPARTMENT

Re: Court Statistics Report for the Month of November 2022

- b. Spread on the Minutes the Court Statistics Report for the month of November 2022, as submitted. (EXHIBIT B)
- c.

MINUTES/COURT DEPARTMENT

Re: Community Service Reports for the Month of November 2022

- d. Spread on the Minutes the Community Service Reports for the month of November 2022, as submitted. (EXHIBIT C)

MINUTES/BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Re: Privilege License Report for the Month of November 2022

- e. Spread on the Minutes the Privilege License Report for the Month of November 2022, as submitted. (EXHIBIT D)

GROUND ZERO MUSEUM/CIVIC CENTER/OLD WAVELAND SCHOOL

Re: Visitor Count Report for the Month of November 2022

- f. Spread on the Minutes the November 2022 Visitor Count Report submitted by the Ground Zero Museum Board. **(EXHIBIT E)**

MINUTES

Re: Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 16, 2022

- g. Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 16, 2022, as submitted. **(EXHIBIT F)**

PURCHASING/AMAZON PRIME ACCOUNT

- h. Removed to be considered after Consent agenda.

CITY HALL/PUBLIC WORKS/LPA PROGRAM

Re: Completion and Certification of LPA Program by Public Works Manager and City Clerk

- i. Spread on the minutes the completion and certification of LPA Program by Public Works Manager Bo Humphrey and City Clerk Tammy Fayard. **(EXHIBIT G)**

PROCLAMATIONS/LOCAL EMERGENCY

Re: Proclamation for the Existence of a Local Emergency

- j. Spread on the Minutes a Proclamation for the Existence of a Local Emergency in and for the City of Bay Saint Louis allowing for mutual aid with Bay Saint Louis commencing on December 14, 2022. **(EXHIBIT H)**

AMENDMENTS/TIDELANDS GRANT/GRANTS/MARINA PLANNING AND DESIGN/AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS

Re: Amended Tidelands Grant Award Agreement

- k. Approve the Amended Tidelands Grant Award Agreement in the amount of \$294,000.00 for Marina Planning and Design Assistance, and authorize the Mayor's signature thereon. **(EXHIBIT I)**

ELECTIONS 2022

Re: Results from the 2022 Mayor/Aldermen Election

- l. Spread on the Minutes the following Election Results, as listed (Items 1-3)
1. Primary Election held on October 4, 2022.
 2. Republican Ward 1 Runoff held October 25, 2022.
 3. General Election held on December 6, 2022. **(EXHIBIT J)**

TRAVEL/CONTINUING EDUCATION/MAYOR & BOARD CONFERENCE

Re: MAYOR AND BOARD TO MML WINTER CONFERENCE, JACKSON, MS.

- m. Removed to be considered after Consent agenda.

POLICE DEPARTMENT/PERSONNEL

Re: Resignation of Officer Necaccia Phifer

- n. Spread on the minutes the resignation of Officer Necaccia Phifer effective December 30, 2022

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/TMH AUDITORS/AUDITS/AUDIT - FY ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

Re: Approve Letter of Engagement with TMH Auditors

- o. Approve a Letter of Engagement with TMH Auditors for FY Ending September 30, 2023 City audit. **(EXHIBIT K)**

A vote was called for with the following results

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson & Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: Mayor Smith

END CONSENT AGENDA

PURCHASING/CITY HALL/FIRE DEPARTMENT

Re: Authorization for City Clerk to open an Amazon Prime Account

Alderman Burke asked if we could try to use a local vendor before we shop online. Ms. Fayard said yes, however this is a specific battery for the firetrucks and on Amazon the price is 1/3 of the cost locally.

- g. After discussion no motion was made, seconded or voted upon. Motion died.

TRAVEL/MISSISSIPPI MUNICIPAL LEAGUE

Re: Travel for the Board of Mayor and Alderman to attend the Mississippi Municipal League Mid-Winter Conference

- l. Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to approve Travel for the Board of Mayor and Aldermen to attend the Mississippi Municipal League Mid-Winter Conference, January 10-12, 2023 in Jackson, Mississippi. Cost to the City will be a registration fee of \$200.00 per person, 3 days per diem per person, lodging for 3 nights per person, and use of a City vehicle or reimbursement for mileage per person. This will also include a seminar fee for City Attorney Malcolm Jones.

(EXHIBIT L)

A vote was called for with the following results

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson & Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: Mayor Smith

DOCKET OF CLAIMS

Re: Claims

Alderman Richardson moved, seconded by Alderman Piazza to approve the Docket of Claims paid and unpaid in the amount of \$627,976.24 dated December 21, 2022, as submitted.

(EXHIBIT M)

A vote was called for with the following results

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson & Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: Mayor Smith

ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS

- The 2021 Audit projected to be completed in December will be completed in January. The remaining audit to be done is for fiscal year ending 2023 which is due June 2024.

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Malcolm Jones talked with the auditors, TMH, and they fully expect it should be done on time. The City will then be completely up to date by June 2024.

- Regretted that Mayor Smith could not be present tonight and thanked Mayor Smith for his 8 years in office and all he has accomplished through those years. Mr. Jones said he started in October of 2019 and felt the Mayor put his heart and soul into his job and this City.
- Informed the audience about the funding notification from FEMA/MEMA; this means the pier is now obligated and the money is there and we can start that project. The obligated amount is now funded in the amount of \$4,334,969.53 for the Garfield Ladner Memorial Pier Project. The City was ready to start over a year ago, but it was held up waiting for the environmental permits to be approved. FEMA applies for the permits and then they go through all the different agencies, but we just got obligated. He noted the City will have to spend the money and then ask for reimbursement as we proceed through the project.

ADJOURN

Re: Adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m. in memory of Sargeant Steven Robin and Officer Brandon Estorffe.

A vote was called for with the following results

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson & Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: Mayor Mike Smith

Tammy Fayard by Lisa Planchard
City Clerk

Mike Smith
Mayor

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