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Regular Meeting of The Board of Mayor & Aldermen
Wednesday, January 17, 2024
6:30 pm.

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Waveland, Mississippi, met in Regular Session at the Waveland City Hall Boardroom, 301 Coleman Avenue, Waveland, Mississippi, on January 17, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. to take action on the following matters of City business.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Trapani noted for the record the presence of Aldermen Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark along with City Clerk Lisa Planchard and City Attorney Ronnie Artigues.

**BIDS/ART STREET GRAVITY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT/
PROJECTS/CONTRACTORS-ART ST. GRAVITY SEWER
IMPROVEMENTS**

**Re: Open and take under advisement Bids for the Art Street Gravity Sewer
Improvements Project**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Clark to open and take under advisement, and review the bids for the Art Street Gravity Sewer Improvements Project; the deadline was 2:00 pm today. Award will be made at the next City Board Meeting. **(EXHIBIT A)**

City Attorney Ronnie Artigues opened and read aloud the bids for the above project. He noted that we received 2 hard copy bids and 3 bids electronically, which were acceptable under the manner we released the procurement.

As follows:	DNA Underground, LLC	(hard copy bid)
	Southern Colonial Construction, LLC.	(hard copy bid)
	L.J. Construction, Inc.	(electronic bid)
	Bottom 2 Top Construction	(electronic bid)
	Moran Hauling, Inc.	(electronic bid)

Mr. Artigues said that bid documents are included for each and presented in proper bid proposal form; they acknowledged receipt of the two addenda. They've included their certificate of responsibility number, bid bond in the amount of 5% of the base bid. Bid schedule has been completed and all items in it. Bids are available for review at the City Clerk's office.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Trapani announced the recent boil water notice was lifted around 4:30 pm. this afternoon and the water is safe to drink. He said this was also put on Facebook and distributed through the news outlets.

AMEND AGENDA/BOARD BUSINESS

Re: Amend and finalize the agenda with addition of Item 7 (i)

- a. Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to amend and finalize the agenda with the addition of Item 7 (i) under Board Business.

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Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

BANKS/FINANCIAL INSTITUTION/DEPOSITORY FUNDS/THE PEOPLE'S BANK/PEOPLES BANK

Re: Spread on the Minutes the Selection of The People's Bank as the City of Waveland's Financial Institution for 2024 and 2025

- b. Alderman Gamble moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to spread on the Minutes that the City selected The Peoples Bank as our Financial Institution to hold depository funds for 2024 and 2025.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

ALDERMEN'S COMMENTS

Re: Alderman Gamble

- No Comments

Re: Alderman Richardson

- No Comments

Re: Alderman Lafontaine

- Alderman Lafontaine asked, "What's the status of the complaints received on the animals?" Mayor Trapani said it was passed on today to the building official and hopefully the resident will be cited tomorrow. Alderman Lafontaine then said he had a couple of questions about recycling that Alderman Gamble sent out. Will there be any charge to the city? Alderman Gamble said there would be no charge to the city, it will be per individual. Alderman Lafontaine said he has noticed people parking on city sidewalks and asked if we could get signs made and installed saying, "No Parking on Sidewalks"? He said the Police chief would enforce the no parking as well. The Mayor asked Chief Prendergast if we needed signs and the chief said it would be a lot easier to enforce it with signs. The mayor then asked if it was happening on only one street. Alderman Lafontaine said that he sees it on Waveland Ave. primarily, because that is where he drives a lot. He said signs should be put on any streets that have sidewalks because we spent a lot of money on the sidewalks.

Re: Aldermen Clark

- No Comment

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- a. Mr. & Mrs. Nick Martensen, 709 St. Joseph Street to discuss the main drain

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blockage; one on the back of their property and another a few houses downstream, which is causing flooding issues.

Mr. Martensen said a canal that runs through his property at 709 St. Joseph St. has been filled with dirt and plugged up by the neighbor south of him since August 6, 2023. The city was alerted that day and until this point it has just been getting worse. The neighbors behind him have been stuck in their house once due to high water. Matt Schmidt, who lives across the street at 712 St. Joseph Street, has had water in his house recently because of this, upon receiving heavy rains. He said that he is just curious what is the fastest way to get that dirt out of there? Mr. Ronnie Artigues, the City Attorney said that unfortunately, from the city's perspective, we have already contacted the owner and they are refusing to comply. He added that we cannot go and physically remove the dirt ourselves in the absence of a court order, but we are proceeding to get that court order because they have the property blocked by a fence. We are going to have to knock the fence down before we go in to remove the dirt ourselves. Therefore, we need the protection of the court order giving us the right to enter because he will not remedy this himself, nor give us permission to go on the property. Alderman Lafontaine asked, "So it's in the process? How long do you think it will take?" Mr. Artigues said he hopes to have, over the next week, a request to expedite a hearing on this matter. Alderman Clark asked if it is possible to gain access from the other side... from the other neighbor? Mr. Artigues said that it is not, without going onto private property. Alderman Clark asked about getting permission from the other homeowners. Mr. Artigues added that the neighbors, separately from the City, have recourse and potential causes for action against him too, which could speed up his response. He added that anyone that had filling in something that is affecting the neighbors independently of the City also have recourse. Alderman Richardson said he has learned that this man came to the City in December to get a permit after all the neighbors asked him about it... ie, 'after the fact' He filled in the ditch August 6, '23. He said that the area in question is in the center of his property. Alderman Richardson said he has been speaking to Mr. Martensen and he also got with Lisa Planchard, City Clerk. He was aware this man came in last December '23 to get a permit after doing it in August '23 after the fact, and the neighbors began asking questions about it. Alderman Gamble asked if he was issued a permit? She did not receive an answer. Mr. Martensen asked what can be done to prevent this from ever happening again. Mr. Artigues said there is no way to guarantee preventing this from happening again.

- b. Mr. Brian Therolf to discuss Arbor Day (2/9/24), . Avenue, Litter and Recycling

Mr. Therolf said Arbor Day will be the second Friday in February which is February 9th, and Arbor Week will be February 12th – 16th. This is the time in Mississippi to plant trees and vegetation for this next year. He said he has 17 live oak trees that came from property on Bourgeois Street that has been cleared since August. He also has four magnolia trees that came from the property on Vacation Lane. KWB has taken over getting the live oaks planted and would like to do it Feb. 9th if not before. Mr. Therolf asked the board to try to compile a list of city properties or city easements where trees can be planted by Feb. 6th. Mayor Trapani asked Mr. Therolf if they thought about offering the trees to citizens if they can't find a place on city property. Mr. Therolf said Hancock Beautification had 400 live oaks offered to citizens of Bay St Louis and Waveland last year. Many residents of Waveland came and got the trees. He said last week 20 live oaks and some crepe myrtles were given to many churches, Saint Stanislaus and the Seminary. Mr. Therolf said he personally thinks they should go on city property because they are to replace protective trees that have been removed for development. If they go on private property, we don't know if they are being taken care of or not. We also wouldn't know if, in a few years, they decided to remove them. The mayor asked Mr. Therolf, "are the 3 trees in front of the

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incubator dead?" Alderman Gamble noted that these are sycamore trees. Mr. Therolf and several others walked the area about a year and a half ago and decided the trees were not sustainable there and they would eventually have to come down. He said the palm trees are fine and can remain. Mayor Trapani said the city would move forward with getting the two sycamore trees taken down. Alderman Gamble asked if the palm trees at the end of Coleman by the beach are on city property? The Mayor said he would have to check. Alderman Lafontaine asked if the 17 live oaks were offered to the public; how would you determine who got them? Mayor Trapani said that it would be first come first serve. Alderman Lafontaine said he would like to do a lottery because most people work during the day and this way they could get their name in the drawing if a lottery were done. Alderman Gamble said the City's land options are limited because of the amount of space each live oak needs; you have to plan for their full growth size when planting. She added that our rights of way are not large enough. The Mayor said Mr. Therolf has asked him about planting these trees on the property next to the police station. He added that it's has been cleared, so do we want to dress that property up? The Mayor asked the Aldermen to drive by and look at it to see if it was something they would want to do. Mr. Therolf said the next KWB meeting will be February 3rd at Sugar Pop Bakery at 10:00 am. He also said KWB got a \$50 gift card from Walmart and it was used to buy 65 reusable shopping bags from Walmart with the Walmart logo on one side and the other side is blank. Scott Blackwell is putting KWB's insignia (oak tree) on one side and 'KWB' on the other. These will be handed out to residents of Waveland.

BOARD BUSINESS:

DOCKET OF CLAIMS

Re: Depository Docket of Claims, paid and unpaid, dated Jan. 17, 2024

- a. Alderman Clark moved, seconded by Alderman Gamble to approve the Depository Docket of Claims, paid and unpaid, dated January 17, 2024 in the amount of \$323,420.40. **(EXHIBIT B)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

DOCKET OF CLAIMS

Re: Operating Utilities Docket of Claims, paid and unpaid, dated Jan. 17, 2024

- b. Alderman Richardson moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to approve the Operating Utilities Docket of Claims, paid and unpaid, dated January 17, 2024 in the amount of \$ 211,269.51. **(EXHIBIT C)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

CADENCE INSURANCE - CYBER BREACH POLICY/INSURANCE-CYBER SECURITY/PROPOSALS- CYBER BREACH POLICY, ACCEPTANCE

Re: Accept, approve, and authorize Mayor's signature on the Cadence Insurance Cyber Breach Policy Acceptance Proposal

- c. Alderman Clark moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to accept, approve, and authorize Mayor's signature on the Cadence Insurance Cyber Breach Policy Acceptance Proposal in the amount of \$3,142.43, for the term January 17, 2024 through January 17, 2025. **(EXHIBIT D)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

ARPA-APPLICATION MODIFICATION/MCWI (ARPA) APPLICATION/ AGREEMENTS-ARPA, REQUEST TO MODIFY APPLICATION/CHINICHE ENGINEERING & SURVEYING-ARPA APPLICATION/GRANTS, ARPA- REQUEST FOR APPLICATION MODIFICATIONS

Re: Approve and Authorize Mayor's signature on the Request to Modify the MCWI (ARPA) Application or Sub-Award Agreement

- d. Alderman Gamble moved, seconded by Alderman Clark to approve and authorize Mayor's signature on the Request to Modify the MCWI (ARPA) Application or Sub-Award Agreement, as submitted by Mr. Jason Chiniche, Engineer for the project. This is a scope of work modification. **(EXHIBIT E)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

PROCLAMATIONS/LOCAL EMERGENCY

Re: Ratify Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency on 1/10/24- Extreme Cold Weather

- e. Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to ratify Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency on 1/10/24 in the City of Waveland due to the impending extreme cold and inclement weather conditions posing potentially perilous health and safety conditions within Waveland.

(EXHIBIT F)

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

PROCLAMATIONS/LOCAL EMERGENCY-10' WATER LINE BREAK/ EMERGENCY REPAIRS-10" WATER LINE/ANNEX AREA: POLK, TYLER, WILSON, WALNUT, GARFIELD, NORTH SHORE DRIVE, BAYOU DRIVE, AND LINDEN LANE STREETS/ PUBLIC WORKS/UTILITIES DEPARTMENT- EMERGENCY REPAIR, 10" WATER LINE

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Re: Ratify Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency on 1/9/24

f. Alderman Clark moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to ratify Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency on 1/9/24 in the City of Waveland due to a 10” water line break in the Annexed area affecting 75 customers and posing a threat to the health and welfare of the residents in the following area/streets: Polk, Tyler, Wilson, Walnut, Garfield, North Shore Drive, Bayou Drive, and Linden Lane. **(EXHIBIT G)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

MS. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (MDOT)/MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT-ST. JOSEPH STREET/AGREEMENTS-ST. JOSEPH STREET SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS/PROJECTS – ST. JOSEPH STREET SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS/ST. JOSEPH STREET SIDEWALK PROJECT-MDOT

Re: Approve and authorize Mayor’s signature on the MS. Department of Transportation Memorandum of Agreement regarding St. Joseph Street Sidewalk Improvements Project

g. Alderman Gamble moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to approve and authorize Mayor’s signature on the MS. Department of Transportation (MDOT) Memorandum of Agreement regarding the St. Joseph Street Sidewalk Improvements project, #STP-7806-00(001) LPA/109556-701000. **(EXHIBIT H)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

POLICE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT-GRANT/TAG READER CAMERAS-GRANT, POLICE DEPT./ GRANTS/DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY-GRANT, TAG READER CAMERAS/DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY-GRANTS, TAG READER CAMERAS/GRANTS – POLICE DEPARTMENT, TAX READER CAMERAS (GRANT)

Re: Approve purchase of tag reader cameras from Flock Safety. Grant was approved from Homeland Security and is administered through the Department of Public Safety

h. Alderman Gamble moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to approve purchase of tag reader cameras from Flock Safety in the amount of \$21,999.75. This grant was approved for \$22,000 from the Department of Homeland Security and is administered through the Department of Public Safety. **(EXHIBIT I)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**PROCLAMATIONS-LOCAL EMERGENCY, GAS LINE BREAK/LOCAL
EMERGENCY-GAS LINE BREAK/PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT-GAS
LINE BREAK, EMERGENCY REPAIRS/UTILITIES DEPT.-GAS LINE
EMERGENCY REPAIRS/EMERGENCY REPAIRS-GAS LINE**

Re: Ratify Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency on 1/14/24

- i. Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to ratify Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency on 1/14/24 in the City of Waveland due to a 2" Class 1 main gas line leak on Hwy 90 at Keesler Federal Credit Union, which location poses perilous health and safety conditions within Waveland. **(EXHIBIT J)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

CONSENT AGENDA

Re: Items listed as (a-q), excluding Item d

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Clark to approve the following Consent Agenda items as numbered Items (a-q), excluding Item d:

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

MINUTES

Re: Minutes of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting dated Dec. 20, 2023

- a. Minutes of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting dated December 20, 2023.

**INVOICES/CHINICHE ENGINEERING & SURVEYING-INVOICES
/CONTRACTORS INVOICES/ENGINEERING SERVICES-INVOICES/ART
STREET SEWER REPAIRS PROJECT/TIDELANDS – BEACH
PAGODAS/TYLER, RUBY, FOY STREET REPAIRS/GARFIELD LADNER
MEMORIAL PIER/TIDELANDS PROJECTS-BEACH PAGODAS**

Re: The following invoices from various Entities/Agencies/Contractors/Engineers, etc.:

- b. The following invoices from various Entities/Agencies/Contractors/Engineers, etc.: **(EXHIBIT K)**
1. Invoice #22-002-0145 from Chiniche Engineering & Surveying dated 01/09/24 in the amount of \$982.66 for engineering services related to Art Street Sewer Repairs Project.
 2. Invoice #22-002-0133 from Chiniche Engineering & Surveying dated 01/09/24 in the amount of \$3,281.25 for engineering services related to the Tidelands-Beach Pagodas.

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3. Invoice #22-002-0108 from Chiniche Engineering & Surveying dated 01/09/24 in the amount of \$1,338.12 for engineering services regarding Tyler, Ruby, Foy Street Repairs.
4. Invoice #22-002-00912 from Chiniche Engineering & Surveying dated 01/09/24 in the amount of \$9,568.45 for engineering services regarding the Garfield Ladner Memorial Pier FEMA repairs project.

**HUMAN RESOURCES/RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS/NEW
HIRES/POLICE DEPARTMENT/STREETS DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT**

Re: Hire/Termination/Resignation the following for various positions

- c. Hire/Termination/Resignation/Transfer the following for various positions, as listed:
1. Hire of Thomas E. Lindsey at the pay rate of \$19.97 per hour, Police Dept. Mr. Lindsey is a certified officer.
 2. Hire of Timmthy R. Miller, Police Dept. at \$18.97 per hour and increase To \$19.97 per hour upon successful completion of the Police Academy.
 3. Termination of Streets Department employee, William Watkins, effective January 12, 2024.
 4. Resignation of Streets Department employee, Horace McGee effective January 16, 2023.

**UTILITIES DEPARTMENT-TRAINING/TRAINING-UTILITY OFFICE
MANAGER/BBI, INC., TRAINING-UTILITY DEPARTMENT**

Re: Approve one day per diem for Julie Bromwell to attend Utility Billing Training at BBI offices in Flowood, MS

- e. Approval of one day per diem for Julie Bromwell to attend Utility Billing training at BBI offices in Flowood, MS. on 1/19/24. This travel was previously approved at the 12/20/23 Board meeting.

**PAYROLL DEPARTMENT/HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT/MS.
MUNICIPAL SERVICE COMPANY-TRAINING/MUNICIPAL SERVICE
COMPANY'S 'ADVANCED' MUNICIPAL LIABILITY AND WORKER'S
COMPENSATION RISK MANAGEMENT' EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM/
WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION TRAINING**

Re: Spread on the Minutes the date change of MS. Municipal Service Company's 'Advanced' Municipal Liability and Worker's Compensation Risk Management' Educational Program

- f. Spread on the Minutes the date change of MS. Municipal Service Company's 'Advanced' Municipal Liability and Worker's Compensation Risk Management' Educational Program in Flowood, MS. from April 11, 2014 to April 4, 2014. Ms. Janita Cole and Ms. Kyleigh Seale's attendance was approved at the Board meeting of 1/2/24. (EXHIBIT L)

**UTILITIES DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT/METERS-
PURCHASE/CONSOLIDATED PIPE & SUPPLY CO, INC. WATER METERS
PURCHASE/PURCHASING- METER HEADS, UTILITY DEPARTMENT**

Re: Purchase of 127 new meter heads from Consolidated Pipe & Supply Co, Inc.

- g. Purchase of 127 new meter heads from Consolidated Pipe & Supply Co, Inc. in the amount of \$19,323.00. These are discounted prices as a result of receiving a credit for the useful life of the old meter heads we turned in. (EXHIBIT M)

**HANCOCK COUNTY RESOURCE CENTER/CRAWFISH
COOKOFF/EVENTS/COLEMAN AVENUE**

Re: Approve Hancock County Resource Center to hold the 16th Annual Crawfish Cookoff on Sat. April 20, 2024.

- h. Approve Hancock County Resource Center to hold the 16th Annual Crawfish Cookoff on Saturday, April 20, 2024 on Coleman Avenue from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm. Coleman Avenue will be closed from Bourgeois Street to just past Digital Engineering building from 5:00 pm April 19, 2024 through 6:00 pm April 20, 2024.

**EVENTS/CHILI-MAC & CHEESE COOKOFF FUNDRAISER/BAY SAINT
LOUIS COMMUNITY HALL, EVENTS/FUNDRAISER/ROTARY CLUB OF
BAY ST. LOUIS**

Re: Approve City of Waveland Participation in the Rotary Club of Bay St. Louis 19th Annual Chili/Mac & Cheese Cookoff Fundraiser Thursday, Feb. 22, 2024

- i. Approve City of Waveland participation in the Rotary Club of Bay St. Louis 19th Annual Chili/Mac & Cheese Cook-Off Fundraiser at the Bay St. Louis Community Hall on Thursday, February 22, 2024 related to advertising, municipal resource. (EXHIBIT N)

**TRAVEL-BUILDING DEPT./BUILDING DEPARTMENT-TRAINING/2024
MACE EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE**

Re: Approve Travel for Josh Hayes and Jaylan Wilson to attend the 2024 MACE Educational Conference

- j. Approve travel for Josh Hayes and Jaylan Wilson to attend the 2024 MACE Educational Conference on 2/16/24 from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm. Cost to the City will be a conference registration fee of \$75 each, one day per diem each, and use of a city vehicle. (EXHIBIT O)

**TRAVEL/POLICE DEPARTMENT/HARRISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
FIELD TRAINING OFFICER TRAINING COURSE**

Re: Approve Police Sgt. John DeSalvo and Sgt. Joseph Joffrion to attend the Harrison County Sheriff's Office Field Training Officer (FTO) training course

- k. Approve Police Sgt. John DeSalvo and Sgt. Joseph Joffrion to attend the Harrison County Sheriff's Office Field Training Officer (FTO) training course, February 5th through February 7th, 2024. Cost to the City will be tuition of \$200 each (total \$400) and use of city vehicle.

**TRAVEL/FIRE DEPARTMENT/TANK CAR SPECIALIST (TCS)/SECURITY
AND RESPONSE TRAINING CENTER/TRAINING**

Re: Approve Fire Lt. Eric Janssen to attend the Tank Car Specialist (TCS) class at the Security and Response Training Center (SERTC)

- l. Approve Fire Lt. Eric Janssen to attend the Tank Car Specialist (TCS) class at the Security and Response Training Center (SERTC) located in Pueblo, CO. February 11-17, 2024. This class is completely free of charge for first responders. Only cost to the city will be covering work shifts while he is away. (EXHIBIT P)

**TRAVEL-FIRE DEPARTMENT/FIRE DEPARTMENT-TRAINING/2024
HURRICANE CONFERENCE**

Re: Approve Fire Chief Tommy Carver, Jr. and Asst. Fire Chief Casey Piazza to attend the 2024 Hurricane Conference

- m. Approve Fire Chief Tommy Carver, Jr. and Asst. Fire Chief Casey Piazza to

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attend the 2024 Hurricane Conference in Orlando, Florida March 25-28, 2024.
Note: March 24 and 29 are travel days to and from. Cost to the City is 5 nights lodging (a total of \$1,816.42), per diem of \$69.00/day x 5 day - \$345.00 each (a total of \$690.00), registration fee each of \$375.00 (a total of \$750.00), and use of city vehicles; all of this is budgeted for. **(EXHIBIT Q)**

BUILDING DEPARTMENT/PRIVILEGE LICENSE REPORT/REPORTS-BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Re: Privilege License Report for the month of Dec. 2023

- n. Spread on the Minutes the Privilege License report for the month of December, 2023. **(EXHIBIT R)**

BUILDING DEPARTMENT/PERMITS REPORT/REPORTS-BUILDING PERMITS

Re: Permit Reports for the month of Nov. 2023

- o. Spread on the Minutes the Permits Report for the month of November, 2023. **(EXHIBIT S)**

GROUND ZERO MUSEUM/CIVIC CENTER/REPORTS/VISITOR COUNT REPORT

Re: Visitor Count Report for the month of Dec. 2023

- p. Spread on the Minutes the Visitor Count report, as submitted by the Ground Zero Museum Board, for the month of December, 2023. **(EXHIBIT T)**

POLICE DEPARTMENT/COMMUNITY SERVICE REPORT/REPORTS

Re: Community Service Report for the month of Dec. 2023

- q. Spread on the Minutes the Community Services Report for the month of December, 2023. **(EXHIBIT U)**

END CONSENT AGENDA

HUMAN RESOURCES/POLICE DEPARTMENT/POLICE ACADEMY/HARRISON COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING ACADEMY

Re: Approve New Hire Timmthy R. Miller to attend the Harrison County Law Enforcement Training Academy

- d. Aldermen Lafontaine moved, seconded by Aldermen Richardson to approve new hire Timmthy R. Miller to attend the Harrison County Law Enforcement Training Academy starting April 7, 2024 for 11 weeks (Sun-Friday) at a cost of \$4,000.00. He will be paid \$19.97/hour upon successful completion of the Academy.

Alderman Richardson asked how many times do we train and then end up losing that officer. The \$4,000 we are spending, how many times do we do this and we end up losing these officers/employees; is there any way of retaining these officers/firefighters? If they leave do they have to pay this back? Mr. Artigues said early last year the board adopted the policy to where if they leave within two years, whichever department, they have to pay it back whether it be police or fire employees. Whatever agency they go to has to reimburse their salary, uniforms and/or any other expenses not reimbursed by another source. The only thing they would not have to reimburse is the \$4,000 reimbursed by the State of MS. for the Academy. Chief Prendergast said this is because the city is reimbursed the \$4,000 as soon as they finish the academy.

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Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

ADJOURN

Re: Adjourn the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Aldermen Gamble moved, seconded by Aldermen Clark to Adjourn the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

The foregoing minutes were presented to Mayor Trapani on February 7, 2024.



Lisa Planchard
City Clerk

The Minutes of January 17, 2024 have been read and approved by me on this day the 7th day of February, 2024.



Jay Trapani
Mayor