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Regular Meeting of The Board of Mayor & Aldermen
Tuesday, April 2, 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 April 02, 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 Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark along with City Clerk Lisa Planchard and City Attorney Ronnie Artigues.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

AMEND AGENDA/MAYOR'S COMMENTS/CONSENT AGENDA

Re: Amend and finalize the agenda with addition of items 4 (b), 8 (e-7), & 8(i)

- a. Alderman Clark moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to amend and finalize the agenda with the addition of item(s) 4 (b) under Mayor's Comments and Item 8 (e-7) and 8(i) under Consent Agenda.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

ALDERMEN'S COMMENTS

Re: Alderman Aime-Gamble

- Alderman Aime-Gamble said that hurricane season is rapidly approaching and we use Code Red as our emergency alert system. She encouraged residents to go to the Hancock County Emergency alert system and register on her website, ragamble.com, which has a link to register for Code Red. She asked Mayor Trapani if he has found out anything from MDOT about cutting back the shrubs blocking traffic views when entering different streets. The mayor said that the city has been doing it ourselves, however, the big palms in front of Circle K at Waveland Avenue were trimmed by a private citizen because they wanted the palms for Palm Sunday. The mayor also asked if anyone sees any other locations that are a problem to please let him know. Alderman Gamble noted the shopping center at the Bay St. Louis/Waveland line, where 'The Lunchbox' restaurant is located, is terrible trying to exit the parking lot because the shrubs are blocking the view. Mayor Trapani said he would go and take a look. Alderman Gamble mentioned that she got a call about the lights at the volley ball courts not coming on and needed to be looked at. She then asked about some of arms for hanging banners on the light poles on Coleman Avenue that are currently broken. She said it won't be long before the Military banners will be put back up, and who is responsible for replacing the arms? The mayor said he was not sure, but would check with the American Legion. Alderman Gamble asked the mayor if he had an update on the Waveland Avenue Apartments. Mayor Trapani said he that he spoke with a gentleman last Friday and said they're still in negotiations. He said it is a group out of New Orleans that goes around buying distressed properties and fixes them up. Alderman Gamble asked if it was the same ones they were previously in negotiations with? The mayor said, "No, it is a different group; the last group had an investor that pulled out so they pulled back their offer; this is a second group." The mayor said that he and City Attorney Artigues met with them and they are a legit group; they are just trying to make it work. Alderman Gamble said it's time that we take a good hard look at the Business Center and how much

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it is costing tax payers every year. She said we need to evaluate how much we are losing every year on that property. The mayor said, "Okay."

Re: Alderman Richardson

- No comments

Re: Alderman Lafontaine

- Alderman Lafontaine asked if *item b* under Mayor's Comments (Discuss the air conditioning quotes received related to the Civic Center) could be held until we can have a discussion on the capital projects at the end of the agenda. Mayor Trapani said that would be fine.

Re: Alderman Clark

- No comments

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- a. Ms. Bernie Cullen – Update from Waveland Ground Zero Museum Board re: Museum plan for fundraising/other issues.

Ms. Bernie Cullen introduced two University of Southern Mississippi Graduate Assistants, Robbie McDonald and Ryan Gomez, who did an economic and social impact study, and business plan for her on the museum. Robbie McDonald stated most revenues for museums are from charitable donations. What they have found through their research is that most museums throughout the country are seeing lower numbers due to the pandemic, however the Waveland Ground Zero Museum in Waveland has rebounded much faster than most after the pandemic. General funding for museums across the country is coming from museum visitors who donate, with a high support coming from local government, which may include grants. Most visitors at the museum are not local or from the South, many are from out of the country. The impact numbers are not necessarily a direct impact on Waveland in general, but mostly on the bakery on Coleman Avenue. Most impact of the museum is from tourism and most is a social impact, as opposed to lodging and restaurants, because those are on the highway. The new Marriott Hotel on the highway will help. The reason the Alice Moseley Museum is so successful is because it is adjacent to shopping, restaurants and a railroad terminal. Foreign visitors at the museum are significant, impact numbers on page 17 are related to museums in general across the U.S. Ms. Cullen commented that as Waveland continues to grow, the museum is an anchor because more people are traveling now. She said we should maybe repeat this study next year after new businesses have come in. The internet and Trip Advisor are how most people find out about Waveland and plan trips here, which is due to Buccaneer Park and the Wavepool. Foreign visitors do spend significantly more than local visitors because they require lodging, rental cars, restaurants, etc. John said that on page 22 are some ideas of future plans to bring money down to Coleman Avenue. For example: A formal gift shop at the Museum for a revenue stream. They could turn one half of one of the rooms into a welcome center to provide information of what is available in Waveland. This could be a partnership with the city and have a seating area with charging stations. Another source of revenue could be to solicit sponsorships. People could pay for naming rights of exhibits, rooms, galleries and theatre. Ms. Cullen said that they plan to hold appreciation events, host hurricane awareness month events and a Real Estate Endowment fund is being planned. She also said they have implemented the previous suggestion for the \$5 donation. In March, the museum had 700 visitors and over \$1,000 in donations (most donations they've ever received thus far). She said they want to move toward exhibits that tell the history of Waveland; the next grant they would like to go after is an Oral History Grant to tell the history of the school. Ms. Cullen said she could not be the person to write the grant because she is not the owner

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of the building, but anyone in the city can write the grant to improve anything in the building.

The mayor asked Ms. Cullen if they have 7 art pieces that the city insures. She said, "No, we insure that. All the content, the Mississippi Power, that was gifted to the Museum and it's my understanding that we have content liability and I would think, Jay, that that would be covered under that. Your liability, I think, is the building."

City Clerk Planchard mentioned that the artwork is listed on the City's property policy. Ms. Cullen said that she would get with Ms. Planchard to take a look at this. She also said one of the large pieces of artwork got destroyed because of the mold and humidity in one wall of building wall; it needs to be removed from the policy. Alderman Lafontaine asked Ms. Cullen about the authentic replica Katrina Cottage mentioned in her report, that she wants via grant funds, and he asked where would she put it. Alderman Lafontaine said he recalls after Katrina there came a point where they weren't allowed anymore. He then asked where would it go? She said she would like to put it next to the building; this would be a perfect place to do the 'Hurricane' piece, and then the whole Museum could be about Waveland and the Gulf Coast where they could display the oral history and artifacts. She said, "The museum is a good anchor for Coleman Avenue." Ms. Cullen added that this is a long-range plan.

BOARD BUSINESS:

DOCKET OF CLAIMS/DEPOSITORY BANK ACCOUNT

Re: Approve Depository Docket of Claims, paid and unpaid, dated April 02, 2024

- a. Alderman Gamble moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to approve the Depository Docket of Claims, paid and unpaid, dated April 2, 2024 in the amount of \$868,382.65. **(EXHIBIT A)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

DOCKET OF CLAIMS/OPERATING UTILITIES BANK ACCOUNT

Re: Approve Operating Utilities Docket of Claims, paid and unpaid, dated April 02, 2024

- b. Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Clark to approve the Operating Utilities Docket of Claims, paid and unpaid, dated April 2, 2024 in the amount of \$128,402.48. **(EXHIBIT B)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**MODIFICATIONS/AGREEMENT MODIFICATION TO MWCI-ARPA/MS.
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY MUNICIPALITY AND
COUNTY WATER INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT AGREEMENT
MODIFICATION #1/CITY WIDE SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT/**

**ARPA MODIFICATION #1-CITYWIDE SEWER IMPROVEMENTS/PROJECTS
– CITYWIDE SEWER IMPROVEMENTS (ARPA) MODIFICATION #1 TO SUB-
AWARD AGREEMENT**

**Re: Modification to the Sub-Award Agreement with the MDEQ Municipality and
County Water Infrastructure Grant Agreement Modification #1 for the Citywide
Sewer Improvements Project (ARPA)**

- c. Alderman Richardson moved, seconded by Alderman Gamble to approve and authorize Mayor's signature on the Modification to the Sub-Award Agreement with the MS. Department of Environmental Quality Municipality and County Water Infrastructure Grant Agreement Modification #1 for the Waveland Citywide Sewer Improvements Project (ARPA), replacing the current Agreement No. 330-2-DW-5.15 with Agreement No. 330-2-CW-5.5.

(EXHIBIT C)

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**NOTICE TO PROCEED-ART STREET GRAVITY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS
PROJECT/ART STREET GRAVITY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT –
NOTICE TO PROCEED/SOUTHERN COLONIAL CONSTRUCTION, LLC –
ART STREET GRAVITY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS NOTICE TO PROCEED
Re: Notice to Proceed on the Art Street Gravity Sewer Improvements Project**

- d. Alderman Gamble moved, seconded by Alderman Clark to approve and authorize Mayor's signature on the Notice to Proceed for the Art Street Gravity Sewer Improvements Project with contractor, Southern Colonial Construction, LLC. with work commencing 4/22/24.

(EXHIBIT D)

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS/RSVP/REIMBURSEMENTS
– RSVP/APPROPRIATIONS – RSVP**

**Re: Reimburse Hancock County Board of Supervisors for RSVP payments, March -
September, 2023**

- e. Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to reimburse Hancock County the amount of \$2,829.02 for RSVP payments received March – September, 2023.

(EXHIBIT E)

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

WHITE LINEN EVENT/COLEMAN AVENUE/EVENTS

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Re: Revise the Date of the White Linen Event on Coleman Avenue from 9/21/24 to 9/14/24 on Coleman Avenue

- f. Alderman Clark moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to revise the date of the White Linen event on Coleman Avenue from 9/21/24 to 9/14/24 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Coleman Avenue. The City shall provide barricades, trash cans, open bathrooms at City Hall, and block Coleman Avenue from Bourgeois Street to Arlington Street. This request also provides access to the temporary power pole in front of Ms. Somerhalder's lot at 227 Coleman Avenue to plug in additional lighting. This was originally approved 3/5/24.
(EXHIBIT F)

During discussion, Mayor Trapani announced that proceeds will be given to the Hancock County Animal Shelter.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**LEASE OF COMMERCIAL SPACE/WAVELAND
LIGHTHOUSE/LIGHTHOUSE/LIGHTHOUSE PARKING
LOT/ADVERTISEMENTS/LEASES/AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS**
**Re: Advertise for Lease of Commercial Space located at the Waveland Lighthouse
Parking Lot for the term 5/17/24 – 5/16-25**

- g. Alderman Gamble moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to advertise for Lease of Commercial Space located at the Waveland Lighthouse parking lot for the term May 17, 2024 through May 16, 2025.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

PLANNING & ZONING:

Re: Mark Shiffer, owner of the property commonly known as 10049 Eden Lane

1. Mark Shiffer, owner of the property commonly known as 10049 Eden Lane, parcel #139B-0-29-239.000. Continued from the 3/20/24 Board meeting... Mr. Chris Carter, Building Official to present findings related to time extension on metal shipping containers on the property.

(EXHIBIT G)

Building Official, Chris Carter reported that after doing his homework, he found Mr. Shiffer did submit his application last November 25, 2022 for temporary use of storage containers during the construction of his house. Mr. Shiffer, at that time, said he needed them to lock up his materials and equipment to keep them from getting stolen.

Mr. Carter said that the Ordinance sections that Mr. Shiffer cited in his application were very specific to 'temporary usage'. Mr. Carter not only read the minutes, but also watched the video of each of the previous meetings that came

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before the P&Z Board and Board of Mayor & Aldermen. Mr. Shiffer discussed wanting to use these containers as components of his boathouse in a permanent capacity and it was only discussion at the meeting. At that meeting, the P&Z Board took action to approve the motion as it was written before them, which was only submitted as a temporary usage. Mr. Carter said there was never Board approval or agreement, as far as he has found, to allow these shipping containers to be used in a permanent capacity. Mr. Carter said, "That was at the January 9, 2023 Planning & Zoning meeting." On February 18, 2023 the Board of Mayor and Aldermen made a motion to accept the Planning and Zoning recommendation with conditions that the containers be anchored to the ground, inspected and they would be allowed for 6 months with the option for the Board of Mayor & Aldermen to renew the permits in 6 months increments after the initial approval. On September 5, 2023, Mr. Shiffer came back to the Board of Mayor & Aldermen to request a 4-month extension, however, the Board granted him a 6-month extension. Mr. Carter said that that time frame is greater than 6 months, but Mr. Shiffer told him that the containers did not get there until April, so Mr. Shiffer assumed 6 months from then would be September, 2023. Mr. Carter added that at the September 5th meeting, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen approved another 6-month extension to March 2024. He added that this was revisited at the last Board meeting (March 20, 2024); this is when he was asked to do some homework on this issue. Mr. Carter said, "Short version, I can't find anywhere that Mr. Shiffer has officially gotten approval to have these containers in a permanent capacity and then you guys put a moratorium on shipping containers in the meanwhile."

Mr. Carter said he was at the property today and Mr. Shiffer has the piers constructed out by the water where he wants to put the containers and they are actually mounted in the air on the framing of the piers. He said that they are not covered; no roof over them, no siding as yet. Alderman Lafontaine asked, "There was never a permit to do it?" Mr. Carter responded, "A temporary usage permit for storage, they have to be anchored to the ground... there's never been another permit. He had gotten an extension one time but nothing for permanent. He's never gotten a permit for permanent use." Mr. Carter said he went back and looked at the building plans that were submitted for his house and they don't reflect any shipping containers being used. City Attorney Artigues said, "So, the building permit that the City issued, there was no reference to the use of those containers for permanent construction." Mr. Carter responded, "No sir, not that I can find." Alderman Gamble said that the anchors have been removed and they've been placed on top of the pilings ready to go for the boathouse, so it's been converted without a permit. Mr. Carter said yes ma'am, it is in the process of being converted. Alderman Gamble said, "If it is not in writing it is not valid." Mr. Carter did say that Mr. Shiffer did tell the P&Z Board and the Board of Mayor of Aldermen that his intent was to have it as a boathouse, but it's never been in writing or an official motion approved by either Board to make it legal. Mr. Artigues asked, "And it was not part of his plans and specs that were approved?" Mr. Carter said, "Not that I have seen; no sir."

In the meantime, Mr. Carter will issue a stop work order on the boathouse component pending further review and investigation by the Building Official and City Attorney. Mr. Artigues and Mr. Carter will develop options for the Board to consider at a future meeting. Mr. Artigues said that if he is deviating from the plans and specs, you have grounds to put a stop work order on at least that component of the construction with no action needed by the Board; this does not require Board action.

Re: Charles Johnson, owner of the property commonly known as 319 Jeff Davis Ave.

2. Charles Johnson, owner of the property commonly known as 319 Jeff Davis Avenue, parcel #161D-0-02-187.000. Mr. Chris Carter to discuss an extension for approval of temporary occupancy of RV during construction.

(EXHIBIT H)

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Mr. Carter explained that Mr. Johnson was issued a permit for temporary use of an RV permit on November 30, 2022 for 180 days, which expired on May 30, 2023. The permit was not renewed, but has continued this whole time. He indicated that his sister was going to occupy the RV while he built her residence for her on the property. No written notices were given to Mr. Johnson of the expiration, that Chris Carter can find. Mr. Johnson realized the mistake and came to the Planning and Zoning Department on January 5, 2024 trying to get caught up and get this remedied. This went before the Planning and Zoning Board, who recommended approval. The Building Department staff recommendation is conditional approval; Mr. Carter's recommendation is to grant him retroactive renewals to get him caught up, subject to his paying requisite fees for those. He said the house is progressing nicely but with this 6- month extension deadline, it will end April 30, 2024 and there is no way he'll finish the house by then. The building permit is current. Mr. Carter said his recommendation is to grant him an extension for the temporary RV that will get him to November 30, 2024 and condition this that the city will not do any further extensions and he pay all extension fees required.

Alderman Gamble moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson that the Board approve a retroactive 6 month permit for the temporary use of RV subject to payment of the permit fees and also approve an extension until November 30, 2024 conditioned upon Mr. Johnson paying this separate permit fee and the understanding that no more extensions will be granted for the use of the RV.

During discussion, Alderman Gamble explained that the house will have to be finished by November 30, 2024 and if not, Mr. Johnson's daughter will have to live somewhere else until it's finished.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

BLIGHTED PROPERTIES: (Building Official, Chris Carter to discuss)

Re: Lance Ryan, owner of the property commonly known as 207 Hunter Hollow

3. Lance Ryan, owner of the property commonly known as 207 Hunter Hollow. This was held in abeyance from 3/20/24 Board meeting. Mr. Chris Carter, Building Official to present progress report on outstanding items still needing attention from previous meeting. **(EXHIBIT I)**

Mr. Carter reported nothing has been done since the last meeting; the pool in the backyard is still green. This property owner was advised to come tonight, however, Mr. Carter said Mr. Ryan is a truck driver and is probably back on the road. No action has been taken since the last meeting on either of the items mentioned then. Mr. Artigues asked the Board if they wished to proceed with clean up as originally initiated? Mr. Carter also said he does not think Mr. Ryan is doing the physical work himself. Mr. Carter said we can write Mr. Ryan a citation and pursue court action; he's fairly certain the Judge will rule in the City's favor on that. Mr. Artigues recommended to have Mr. Carter cite Mr. Ryan on the pool and dormers; this can be done as part of the ongoing enforcement action and does not require a vote of the Board. We just need to amend the citation to remove the items he's already come into compliance with. Mr.

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Carter said that the pool looks like a fiberglass pool and does not appear to be operational. Mr. Artigues asked, "Is the pool not operable right now?" Mr. Carter said the pool does not appear to be hooked up. Alderman Gamble said we can put this off until next meeting and give him until the 17th meeting to get pool operational. If these issues are not brought into compliance by April 17, 2024, Mr. Carter will cite him for the violations.

CONSENT AGENDA

Alderman Clark moved, seconded by Alderman Aime-Gamble to approve the following Consent Agenda items as numbered Items (a-i):

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

MINUTES

Re: Minutes of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen dated March 14, 2024 and March 20, 2024

- a. Minutes of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen meetings dated March 14, 2024 and March 20, 2024.

RESIGNATIONS/PAY RATE CHANGES/PERSONNEL/POLICE DEPARTMENT/UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

Re: Resignations/Pay Change of the following for various positions as listed:

- b. Hire/Promote/Transfer/Resignations/ Pay Change of the following for Various positions as listed:
1. Resignation of Robert Chase Gendron as Police Officer with Waveland PD effective 3/20/24.
 2. Change in pay from \$14.91/hour to \$15.91/hour to Utility employee, Mr. Charles Dorsey. **(EXHIBIT J)**

UTILITIES DEPARTMENT/CUSTOMER DEPOSIT REFUND CHECKS/REFUND CHECKS – UTILITIES CUSTOMER DEPOSITS

Re: Monthly Utility Customer Deposit refund checks

- c. Approve monthly Utility Customer Deposit refund checks totaling \$5,205.00 numbered #7407 to #7423 as submitted by Utility Office Manager Julie Bromwell. Note: \$2,611.48 is due to the City of Waveland and \$2,593.52 is due to customers. **(EXHIBIT K)**

FIRE DEPARTMENT/TRAINING/TRAVEL/FIRE INSTRUCTOR 1041 1-11 TRAINING/MS. STATE FIRE ACADEMY

Re: Lt. Eric Janssen to attend the Fire Instructor 1041 1-11 at the MS. State Fire Academy April 29 – May 9, 2024

- d. Approve Lt. Eric Janssen to attend the Fire Instructor 1041 1-11 at the MS. State Fire Academy from April 29-May 9, 2024. Cost to the City will be a course fee of \$600.00, use of a city vehicle, 8 days per-diem of \$224.00 (\$28/day x 8 days) for evening meals only, and covering of his shift while at class. **(EXHIBIT L)**

**INVOICES/CONTRACTORS/ ENGINEERING SERVICES/CHINICHE
ENGINEERING & SURVEYING/ STORMWATER ANNUAL
REPORT/WATERFRONT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT –
TIDELANDS/TIDELANDS – WATERFRONT IMPROVEMENTS
PROJECT/ARPA - SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT/PROJECTS – ARPA
SEWER IMPROVEMENTS/RUBY, TYLER, FOY STREET REPAIRS
PROJECT/LOMBARDO INDUSTRIES, LLC/GRASS CUTTING
SERVICES/CONTRACTS**

Re: The following invoices from various entities/agencies/contractors/engineers, etc.:

- e. The following invoices from various Entities/Agencies/Contractors/
Engineers, etc.: **(EXHIBIT M)**
1. Invoice #22-002-0062 from Chiniche Engineering &
Surveying dated 03/27/24 in the amount of \$1,640.50 for
engineering services related to MS-4 & Stormwater Annual
Report.
 2. Invoice #22-002-0172 from Chiniche Engineering &
Surveying dated 03/27/24 in the amount of \$6,556.00 for
engineering services related to the Waterfront
Improvements Project, Tidelands.
 3. Invoice #22-002-0192 from Chiniche Engineering &
Surveying dated 03/27/24 in the amount of \$10,445.48 for
engineering services related to the ARPA Sewer
Improvements Project.
 4. Invoice #22-002-01011 from Chiniche Engineering &
Surveying dated 03/27/24 in the amount of \$3,200.00 for
engineering services related to the Ruby, Tyler, Foy Street
Repairs Project.
 5. Invoice #22-002-01212 from Chiniche Engineering &
Surveying dated 03/27/24 in the amount of \$882.00 for
engineering services related to the Ezell Community Grant.
This grant, if Federal funds are awarded, will go toward
much needed repairs of Waveland Kiln Cutoff Road.
 6. Pay Application #1 from Gulf Pride Paving, LLC. dated
3/27/24 in the amount of \$189,199.25 for the Tyler, Ruby,
Foy Street Repairs.
 7. Invoice #3815 from Lombardo Industries, LLC. dated
3/26/24 in the amount of \$16,585.00 for grass cutting
services. **(EXHIBIT N)**

**BUILDING DEPARTMENT/DEPUTY COURT CLERKS/CODE
ENFORCEMENT/CITY ORDINANCES, ENFORCEMENT**

**Re: Building Official, Chris Carter and Building Inspector, Josh Hayes as Deputy
Court Clerks**

- f. Approve and Spread on the Minutes the Building Official, Chris Carter
and Building Inspector, Josh Hayes as Deputy Court Clerks and authorize
them to sign and enforce citations, affidavits and any actions necessary for
code enforcement of all City ordinances. **(EXHIBIT O)**

FUND BALANCES/REPORTS- FUND BALANCES

Re: Spread on the minutes the City of Waveland Fund Balances

- g. Spread on the Minutes the City of Waveland Fund Balances at 02/29/24.
(EXHIBIT P)

**REVENUES & EXPENDITURES REPORTS/REPORT-REVENUES &
EXPENDITURES**

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Re: Spread on the Minutes the Revenues & Expenditures Report dated 2/29/24

- h. Spread on the Minutes the Revenues & Expenditures Report dated 02/29/24. (EXHIBIT Q)

FIRE DEPARTMENT/TRAINING-FIRE DEPARTMENT/TRAVEL-FIRE DEPARTMENT/MS. STATE FIRE ACADEMY-TRAINING
Re: Recruit Firefighter Scott Tartavouille to attend the NFPA 470 Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations Class at the MS. State Fire Academy April 15-18, 2024

- i. Approve Recruit Firefighter Scott Tartavouille to attend the NFPA 470 Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations class at the MS. State Fire Academy April 15-18, 2024; this class is a prerequisite to take the Basic 1001-1-11 class later this year. Cost to the City will be \$140 per diem (5 days - evening meals only @ \$28/day), use of a city vehicle, and covering his shift while at class. (EXHIBIT R)

END CONSENT AGENDA

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

CIVIC CENTER/GROUND ZERO MUSEUM/ADVERTISEMENT/QUOTES/AIR CONDITIONING REPAIRS – CIVIC CENTER

Re: Discuss the air conditioning quotes received related to the Civic Center

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Clark to discuss the air conditioning quotes received related to the Civic Center. Note: Replacement of the units will require advertisement, i.e. exceeds \$75,000.

Alderman Lafontaine asked where the money to fix the air conditioning would be coming from. Would this be coming out of project funds? Regarding the City of Waveland projects list; he asked if each one of these match funds are already set aside if we were to be awarded every one of the projects listed? The mayor said Art Street is funded from modernization money; and Tyler, Ruby, Foy Streets repair was money left over from General Obligation Bond. The city has not committed to the St. Joseph Street sidewalk project yet. Mr. Robert Fertitta, Comptroller, was asked what was in the reserve account. Mr. Fertitta said there is \$2.8 million in the reserve account for contingencies (that would require Board action to move) and \$2 million from the investment fund which was moved into an ARPA bank account. The current balance in ARPA is currently just under \$1.6 million. The mayor reported there is another \$1.5 million that is coming for ARPA (Citywide Sewer Improvements project, from the State; it's a reimbursable grant. Alderman Lafontaine said he just wanted to make sure we had enough to cover all the project's match funds without getting into the \$2.8 million in General Fund. Mr. Fertitta said this year revenues have been \$7M and expenditures are running \$5M so that shows we're running \$2M ahead; grants are not included in the \$7M. He added that debt service is probably over funded the past couple years by about \$750,000, but he can't make an adjustment for that until our auditors complete the FY '22 audit. Mr. Fertitta further added that we've received \$4.1M in revenues and expenditures of \$2.9M; a difference of \$1.1M in the General Fund. Alderman Lafontaine said he would look at using the money that was transferred from Investments account to replace the air conditioner at Civic Center. Alderman Lafontaine asked what would it take to use part of the \$1.6M for the air conditioner repairs? This would take Board action, but the Board needs to decide whether to go with brand new units or replace compressors. Alderman Richardson said that in his opinion if we're going to do this, we need to pull the trigger and get new units; these have been repaired numerous times and another repair is like throwing darts. Alderman Lafontaine recommended to take part of the \$1.6 million for the air conditioner and leave the rest of the money for match to projects. The Board

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agreed with buying window units as a temporary fix while waiting for advertising for bids and parts ordering to replace the air conditioner units. Mr. Artigues said no action was needed by the Board to purchase the window units. He added that what the Board will need to do before we award the bid and accept the work is to make the motion on the funding part of this repair, to utilize the funds.

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Gamble to authorize to advertise for new air conditioner units (Carrier and AAON) at Waveland Civic Center.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Re: Consider entering a closed Executive Session

Alderman Richardson moved, seconded by Alderman Clark to consider entering a closed session for discussion related to legal matters, potential litigation regarding the Utilities Department.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

Re: Enter Executive Session

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Clark to enter executive session for discussion related to legal matters, potential litigation regarding the Utilities Department.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

Re: Exit Executive Session with no action taken

Alderman Gamble moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to come out of executive session with no action taken.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

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Tuesday, April 2, 2024
6:30 pm.

ADJOURN

Alderman Aime-Gamble moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Aime-Gamble, Richardson, Lafontaine and Clark

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

The foregoing minutes were presented to Mayor Trapani on April 18, 2024.



Lisa Planchard
City Clerk

The Minutes of April 02, 2024 have been read and approved by me on this day the 18th day of April, 2024.



Jay Trapani
Mayor