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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF LEFLORE CITY OF GREENWOOD

#### BE IT REMEMBERED THAT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE

**GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL** was held this Tuesday, October 6, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Greenwood City Hall, it being the time and place for holding said meeting.

There were present at this meeting, Mayor Carolyn McAdams, Attorney Don Brock, Jr., Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, David Jordan and Carl Palmer, Nick Joseph, Jr., City Clerk and Cinderella Morris, Council Clerk.

Also present were: Barbara L. Gray, Earnestine Skinner, Booker J. Walls, Bill Henderson, Lula Moore, Annie P. Washington, Nicole Delgado, Brantley Snipes, Director Main Street Greenwood, Ernest Watts, Samaria Stevenson, Gay Moss, Fred T. Neely and Company, Lee Hall, WGNL Radio Station, Bob Darden, Commonwealth Newspaper and Toy Longstreet, Taxpayers Channel.

Also present were: Mayor's Secretary Bettie Ray, Public Works Director Susan Bailey, Fire Chief Marcus Banks, Police Chief Ray Moore, Sergeant Melvin Cook, Whit Mounger, Special Prosecutor for housing and other code violations, and Betty Stigler, Code Enforcement Officer.

#### IN RE: AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilperson David Jordan, seconded by Councilperson Charles E. McCoy, Sr., to amend the agenda to remove item 5(c)4 Resolution of the Greenwood City Council in support of the Greenwood Public School District from the agenda. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, David Jordan and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. The President declared the motion passed and adopted.

#### IN RE: AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilperson David Jordan, seconded by Councilperson Charles E. McCoy, Sr., to adopt the amended agenda. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, David Jordan and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. Councilpersons and being absent. The President declared the motion passed and adopted.

#### PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS

IT IS ORDERED that claims and accounts appearing on the Docket of Claims be allowed and paid out of the funds as shown. That said Claims appearing in Claims Docket Book 63, and evidenced by Claims Numbers 3432 through 3433 inclusive, Claims Numbers 3557 through 3566 inclusive, Claims Number 3664, and Claims Number 3682, be paid by Check Numbers 53066 through 53078 inclusive, Claims Numbers 3434 through 3556 inclusive, Claims Numbers 3567 through 3663 inclusive, Claims Numbers 3665 through 3681 inclusive, and Claims Numbers 3683 through 3696 inclusive, be paid Check Numbers 53079 through 53282 inclusive, and said claims and accounts being made a part of the minutes as though fully copied herein.

#### IN RE: MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor McAdams addressed the resurfacing of Highway 82 that Mississippi Department of Transportation was doing. She said that they were taking away the railroad crossing.

Mayor McAdams stated that Nicole Delgado would address the Council at this time. Nicole Delgado, Representative from Motorola, discussed the public safety radios offered through the State. She explained the benefits of MSWIN (Mississippi Wireless Integrated Network) public safety communication system. She stated that Motorola offers financing which is very competitive with no early payoff penalty. Delgado passed out an information package. Fire Chief Marcus Banks spoke in favor of the Motorola radios. He advised Council of their radio needs. He said the State Fire Protection Funds that the fire department receives can be used to purchase radios. He stated that the Motorola radios work better on the MSWIN System. Council President Ronnie Stevenson advised the Mayor that she needs to go ahead and see what can be done. Mayor McAdams agreed and stated that they will be looking into grant money.

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Mayor McAdams stated that Brantley Snipes will address the Council at this time. Brantley Snipes thanked the Council for their contribution to MainStreet Greenwood. She said a resolution was on the agenda today for approval. She advised Council that she will have the annual report later.

Councilperson David Jordan informed Brantley Snipes that he was in the process of getting the Willye B White sign redone and that he would appreciate any help that he could get from Main Street.

#### IN RE: PUBLIC AGENDA

Lula Moore, the newly elected president of Parents for Public Schools of Greenwood Leflore County, Inc., addressed the Council asking for support. She said their mission was to promote and strengthen schools by engaging, educating and mobilizing parents. She said the chapter, the third in the State and only chapter in the Mississippi Delta is a nonprofit corporation that has been in existence for three years. She said their funding has been cut. She advised that they need a space and a place to be and that they needed funds. She asked Council if they could provide them space to conduct seminars and workshops and to store materials. Council President Stevenson and Mayor McAdams discussed funding and agreed to have a resolution at the next meeting. Mrs. Moore extended an invitation to Council to come out and join them on Saturday, once a month. She said they will meet on October 24, 2015, November 21, 2015 and December 12, 2015, which is Graduation Day, at Greenwood Leflore Hospital in rooms 1A, B, and C.

Gay Moss, Fred T. Neely and Company, said they had presented the 2015 engagement letter for the audit to the Mayor. She said there were no increases in fees.

IN RE: APPOINTMENT AGENDA A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING FRED T. NEELY & COMPANY, PLLC. AS CITY AUDITORS AND APPROVING STATEMENT OF SERVICES AND FEES

- Adopted Unanimously

Booker Walls addressed the Council regarding his car being vandalized, chemicals being blown into his house and someone going into his house without his permission. He said he had file complaints with the police department and the Mayor with no response. He asked for help to resolve these complaints. He passed around a picture of his window with a hole in the screen. Councilperson McCoy, Chief Moore and Mayor McAdams addressed this matter.

Mayor McAdams announced that Bettie Ray is leaving the city to move to Florida. She said her last day of work is Friday.

IN RE: DILAPIDATED HOUSING RESOLUTION ADJUDGING PROPERTY NOT TO BE A MENACE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY AND DISMISSING ACTION

Swims King Irrevocable Trust 207 George Street

- Adopted Unanimously

RESOLUTION ADJUDGING PROPERTY TO BE A MENACE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

Unknown heirs of Alberta Baker, deceased and to any other party having an interest 209 East Percy Street

- Adopted Unanimously

# RESOLUTION ADJUDGING PROPERTY NOT TO BE A MENACE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY AND DISMISSING ACTION

Henry Barr

307 East Percy Street

- Adopted Unanimously

## RESOLUTION ADJUDGING PROPERTY TO BE A MENACE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

Mary Lindsey and Jack Lindsey C/O Eddie May Lindsey Lockett 305 Ash Street

- Adopted Unanimously

Betty Stigler advised Council that she had stapled a copy of an email from James Battie, who is requesting an extension to clean up the property at 306 Oak Street due to death in the family, to the back of the Resolution adjudging property to be a menace to the public health and safety list.

### RESOLUTION ADJUDGING PROPERTY TO BE A MENACE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

Pinkie Battie and Annie R. Battie

306 Oak Street - Tabled Unanimously

# RESOLUTION ADJUDGING PROPERTY TO BE A MENACE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

Larry Neal

229 Carrollton Avenue - Tabled until October 20, 2015

# RESOLUTION ADJUDGING PROPERTY TO BE A MENACE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

K. K. Henderson Kent 502 Willow Street

- Adopted Unanimously

## RESOLUTION ADJUDGING PROPERTY TO BE A MENACE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

J. J. Ferguson Ready Mix 2200 Block of Highway 82 East

- Tabled until October 20, 2015

# RESOLUTION SETTING HEARING AND AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF NOTICE

Brandon McDowell 1010 McLean Street

- Adopted Unanimously

# RESOLUTION SETTING HEARING AND AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF NOTICE

High Sierra Tax Sale Prop LLC

1243 McLean Street - Adopted Unanimously

RESOLUTION SETTING HEARING AND AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF NOTICE

Debrowski Hurt

908 Rear Broad Street - Adopted Unanimously

RESOLUTION SETTING HEARING AND AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF NOTICE

Jacqueline White

908 ½ Rear Broad Street - Adopted Unanimously

RESOLUTION SETTING HEARING AND AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF NOTICE

Johnnie Mae Tyson

218 Short Street, 216 Short Street 214 Short Street and 212 Short Street

- Adopted Unanimously

RESOLUTION SETTING HEARING AND AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF NOTICE

Johnny Gary, Sr. Daryl Gary

114 Longino Street - Adopted Unanimously

RESOLUTION SETTING HEARING AND AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF NOTICE

Ruth Doris Williams

701 Roosevelt Street - Adopted Unanimously

RESOLUTION SETTING HEARING AND AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF NOTICE

S. L. Sethi, Et Ux

Highway 82 - Adopted Unanimously

RESOLUTION SETTING HEARING AND AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF NOTICE

Carl Clark

1412 Ray Street - Adopted Unanimously

IN RE: POLICY ISSUES AGENDA AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GREENWOOD BY AMENDING SECTION 2-8 TO PROVIDE FOR THE DUTIES AND COMPENSATION OF THE CLERK OF THE COUNCIL, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES

- Failed

IN RE: ROUTINE AGENDA IN RE: CONSENT AGENDA

**IN RE: MINUTES** 

Motion was made by Councilperson Charles E. McCoy, Sr., seconded by Councilperson Carl Palmer, to adopt the minutes of the September 15, 2015 City Council meeting. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, David Jordan and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. The President declared the motion passed and adopted.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREENWOOD TO CONTRIBUTE THE SUM OF \$16,000 TO MAIN STREET GREENWOOD, INC. UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF MISSISSIPPI CODE ANNOTATED, § 21-19-44.1

- Adopted Unanimously

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REMOVAL OF EQUIPMENT FROM THE FIXED ASSET INVENTORY

- Adopted Unanimously

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO DO ALL THINGS REASONABLE AND NECESSARY TO PAY ALL OBLIGATIONS ON THE DOCKET OF CLAIMS

**WHEREAS**, the City from time to time incurs necessary reasonable expenses; and,

WHEREAS, all lawful obligations should be timely paid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENWOOD, LEFLORE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI:

**SECTION 1**: The Mayor and the City Clerk should be and they are hereby authorized to do all things reasonable and necessary to pay all those obligations listed in the "DOCKET OF CLAIMS," BOOK 63, CITY OF GREENWOOD, OCTOBER 6, 2015, CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

The above and foregoing resolution, after having been first reduced to writing and read by the Clerk of the Council, was introduced by Councilperson Charles E. McCoy, Sr., seconded by Councilperson Carl Palmer, and was adopted by the following roll call to-wit:

YEAS NAYS

Johnny Jennings Lisa Cookston Ronnie Stevenson Charles E. McCoy, Sr. Andrew Powell David Jordan Carl Palmer

IN RE: ROUTINE ITEMS AGENDA A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREENWOOD, TO ENTER INTO TWO CONTRACTS WITH MID DELTA AUCTION COMPANY, LLC TO AUCTION SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

- Adopted Unanimously

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREENWOOD TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CREATIVE THINK COMPANY

Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. Councilperson David Jordan voted NAY.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF 319 STEPHENS STREET, GREENWOOD, MISSISSIPPI, TO MICHAEL LARY

- Adopted Unanimously

**IN RE: STUDY AGENDA -** Planning Commission Minutes September 24, 2015 Council President Ronnie Stevenson informed Council that the Planning Commission minutes for September 24, 2015 is on the study agenda for them to review.

Motion was made by Councilperson David Jordan, seconded by Councilperson Charles E. McCoy, Sr., to change the meeting date of the November 3, 2015 dilapidated housing meeting to November 5, 2015. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, David Jordan and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. The President declared the motion passed and adopted.

Council President Ronnie Stevenson announced that the city will be closed Monday October 12, 2015 in observance of Columbus Day.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THIS MEETING WAS ADJOURNED

**RONNIE STEVENSON, PRESIDENT** 

JOHNNY JENNINGS, VICE PRESIDENT

LISA COOKSTON

CHARLES E. MCCOY, SR.

ANDREW POWELL

**DAVID JORDAN** 

**CARL PALMER** 

**CERTIFIED BY:** 

NICK JOSEPH, JR., CITY CLERK