

**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, December 15, 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, Thomas Gregory, III, CAO; Nick Joseph, Jr., City Clerk and Cinderella Morris, Council Clerk.

Also present were: Tommy Gregory, Jr., Gregory and Associates, James Jackson, Jr. and Dodie McElmurray, Greenwood Leflore Hospital, Randy Clark, Brantley Snipes, Director Main Street Greenwood, Keyes Williamson and Jennifer Barnett, Jaeger Group, Annie Pearl Washington, Lula Moore, Carl Winters, John Beard, Beard + Riser Architects, Bennie Turner, Geraldine Harris, Martha Lacy, Ashlee Nason, LaRodrick Normal, Deirdre Mayes, Barbara L. Gray, Margaret Dean, Greenwood Public School District, Paulette Palmer, Coach Clinton Gatewood, Coach Otis Johnson, Coach Hal Haney, Coach David McIntyre, Coach Jimmy Stanford, Coach Theodore Davis, Coach Eric Hill, Antwoine Williams, Jr., LeDereck Norals, Acorades West, Mario Smith, Duwan Addison, Marquiss Spencer, Murkyron McBride, Tyler Swims, Tarren Smith, III, De'narous Greenleaf, Edwin Gray, Valdemir Beverly, Charles Brooks, II, LaDarius Robinson, Greenwood High Bulldog coaches and players, Bob Darden, Commonwealth Newspaper and Toy Longstreet, Taxpayers Channel.

Also present were: Mayor's Secretary Alicia Dallas, Fire Chief Marcus Banks, Tony Brown, Cody Beam, Jason Wallace, Deonte' Austin, Police Chief Ray Moore, Officer William Blake, Sergeant Melvin Cook, Public Works Director Susan Bailey, Director of Greenwood Leflore Recycling, Anne Marie Gregory, Darwin Greene, Director of Community Development Victor Stokes, Eddie Curry, Director of the Waste Water Treatment Plant Division and Betty Stigler, Code Enforcement Officer.

IN RE: AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilperson David Jordan, seconded by Councilperson Carl Palmer, to adopt 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.

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 400 through 540 inclusive, and Claims Numbers 554 through 555 inclusive, be paid by Check Numbers 53826 through 53841 and Check Numbers 53855 through 53979 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 advised Council that our sales tax allocation for the month of December was \$355,612.00, a decrease of \$6,364.00. She said for the year we have collected \$1,070,330.00, a decrease of \$26,114.00.

Mayor McAdams recognized the employees of the month for December. Public Works Director Susan Bailey said Anne Marie Gregory will present the employee of the month. Director of Greenwood Leflore Recycling Anne Marie Gregory presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Darwin Greene. Fire Chief Marcus Banks presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Fireman Cody Beam. Police Chief Ray Moore presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Officer William Blake. Mayor McAdams congratulated each recipient.

Mayor McAdams said Lula Moore would address the Council at this time. Lula Moore, President of Parents for Public Schools of Greenwood and Leflore County, presented the Mayor, Council, Clerk of the Council, and Attorney with a gift bag as a token of appreciation.

Mayor McAdams said Chief Moore will speak on scams at this time. Chief Moore said he had received several calls concerning scams regarding the IRS (Internal Revenue Service), winning a lottery or an estate. He said most of these calls are from out of the country. He requested that Council talk to people in their wards. He said he will get with Bob Darden about putting an article in the paper.

Council President Ronnie Stevenson recognized the coaches and players of the Greenwood High School Football Team. He asked Coach Clinton Gatewood to address the Council at this time. Coach Gatewood introduced his coaching staff: Otis Johnson, David McIntyre, Hal Haney, Jimmy Stanford, Theodore Davis and Eric Hill. He thanked the Mayor, Council and all other persons that supported his team. Council President Stevenson said he understood that all of the players were important but he wanted to ask Marquiss Spencer to come to the podium. He then announced that Marquiss Spencer had committed to go to Mississippi State University.

Councilperson McCoy informed the coaches and the players that pizzas and drinks were in the conference room. He presented Coach Gatewood and his coaching staff with some caps and gift certificates to Larry's Fish House that could be used at any time.

IN RE: PUBLIC AGENDA

John Beard updated Council on the planned renovation for the police department. He said that they were finalizing documents this week. He also said that he will come back before the Council the first meeting in January. He said 2.7 million dollars is available in funding and that the additional square footage on the second floor was not included in the original budget, therefore the estimate cost to renovate the police department is running around 3.3 million dollars which includes a 10% contingency. Mayor McAdams said she is working on extra funding for the renovation and that she feels that she can find funding to extend the building on the second floor. Council discussed this further. Councilperson McCoy questioned Beard regarding building a new building for less money. Beard stated that the quality of the current building versus building a building of the same quality could not be built for less money.

Brantley Snipes introduced Keyes Williamson and Jennifer Barnett of the Jaeger Group, Athens, Georgia, who will be conducting a historic resource survey to the Council. She said that the City and Main Street entered into a contract with Archives and History to survey downtown. She said a report will be available in the spring of 2016. She explained this process to the Council. She also addressed the Council regarding the Main Street Program resolution on the agenda today. Councilperson David Jordan questioned Snipes about the survey being done in other parts of the city since taxpayer's money is being used. Snipes said the survey is for the downtown historic district. Councilperson Cookston said that Main Street Greenwood is about getting people to come back to downtown. Snipes said if any neighborhood group wants to get a building on the national register then someone from that area has to spearhead it. She said she has the information needed and that she was glad to help. She advised Council that Cinderella had given them a map of the survey area.

Martha Lacy addressed the Council regarding boys standing across the street from her house at all times of the night. She said she has called the police department on several occasions without any results. Chief Moore said although they have stepped up patrolling, the young men are not violating any laws while officers are present. He said for the police to act, residents must be willing to sign affidavits against the individuals. Mayor and Council discussed this matter. Chief Moore promised that patrols would increase in that area at night. Council President Stevenson advised Mrs. Lacy to look into a neighborhood watch program and to get with the Mayor, Chief and Councilperson Powell. He said they will do what they can do to help Mrs. Lacy.

Jim Jackson addressed the Council requesting approval for the hospital to purchase five pieces of property along Leflore Avenue and Strong Avenue. He said the properties value for \$365,000.00, is situated on 16th Section land. He said the hospital will continue to rent back to Dr. Meek, Dr. Evans and the residents currently occupying the properties. He said the hospital plans to build an urgent care center. He said the agreed price for the property is \$345,000.00. Mayor and Council discussed this request further.

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE GREENWOOD LEFLORE
HOSPITAL TO PURCHASE 1502
AND 1504 LEFLORE AVENUE,
AND 1505, 1507 AND 1509 STRONG
AVENUE, GREENWOOD,
MISSISSIPPI, FROM S. R. EVANS,
JR. AND EDWIN M. MEEK, JR.**

- Adopted Unanimously

**IN RE: DILAPIDATED HOUSING
RESOLUTION ADJUDGING
PROPERTY TO BE A MENACE
TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND
SAFETY**

J.J. Ferguson Ready Mix
Highway 82 East – Lot west of the Landing

- Tabled until January 5, 2016

IN RE: POLICY ISSUES AGENDA - NONE

**IN RE: ROUTINE AGENDA
IN RE: CONSENT AGENDA
IN RE: MINUTES**

Motion was made by Councilperson Carl Palmer, seconded by Councilperson Andrew Powell, to adopt the minutes of the December 1, 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 being all voted YEA. The President declared the motion passed and adopted.

**ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL
RECEIVING THE PRIVILEGE
LICENSES REPORT OF THE
CITY CLERK FOR THE MONTH
OF NOVEMBER, 2015**

- Adopted Unanimously

**ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL
RECEIVING THE FINANCIAL
REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK
FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER,
2015**

- Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR
AND CITY CLERK TO DO ALL
THINGS NECESSARY TO RENEW
THE CITY'S LEASE WITH THE
LEFLORE COUNTY MISSIONARY
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

- Adopted Unanimously

**AN ORDER RECEIVING
THE MUNICIPAL
COMPLIANCE REPORT**

- Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY
COUNCIL REJECTING ALL BIDS
FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE
OLD GREENWOOD LEFLORE
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

- Adopted Unanimously

**AN ORDER REVISING THE BUDGET
 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016
 AS AUTHORIZED BY CHAPTER 519
 OF LAWS OF MISSISSIPPI FOR 1985.**

WHEREAS, provisions of Chapter 519 of the Laws of Mississippi of 1985, as amended, municipal budgets for fiscal year may be revised under circumstances as set forth therein and;

WHEREAS, it affirmatively appears that there remains in certain funds an unexpended sum not needed or expected to be needed for the purpose or purposes for which it was appropriated in said budget and that the same should be transferred to another code where needed.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED that the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2016, be and the same is hereby revised and amended so as to make the following changes, to wit:

It is requested that the budget for the Keesler Bridge Project for fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, be amended and changed as follows, to wit:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	NEW BUDGET
107-000-398	Retained Revenues	\$.00	\$1,800.00		\$1,800.00
107-600-500	Supplies	\$.00	\$1,800.00		\$1,800.00

This revised budget amendment does constitute an increase to the Keesler Bridge Project.
 Nick Joseph, Jr., CPA
 City Clerk

The above and foregoing order having first been reduced to writing was considered section by section and then as a whole, having been introduced by Councilperson Carl Palmer, was duly seconded for adoption by Councilperson Andrew Powell, and upon a vote being called received the following vote:

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

The President of the Council then declared the motion passed and adopted this the 15th day of December, 2015.

RONNIE STEVENSON
 PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

CAROLYN MCADAMS, MAYOR

ATTEST:
 CINDERELLA M. MORRIS,
 DEPUTY CLERK

It is requested that the budget for the Sewer Enterprise Fund for the year ending September 30, 2016, be amended and changed as follows, to wit:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	NEW BUDGET
410-236-600	Legal & Professional	\$.00	\$150,000.00		\$150,000.00
410-236-783	Eng. Fees-WWTP Upgrade	\$200,000.00		\$150,000.00	\$ 50,000.00

This revised budget amendment constitutes neither an increase nor decrease in the Sewer Enterprise Fund.

Nick Joseph, Jr., CPA
 City Clerk

The above and foregoing order having first been reduced to writing was considered section by section and then as a whole, having been introduced by Councilperson Carl Palmer, was duly seconded for adoption by Councilperson Andrew Powell, and upon a vote being called received the following vote:

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

The President of the Council then declared the motion passed and adopted this the 15th day of December, 2015.

RONNIE STEVENSON
 PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

CAROLYN MCADAMS, MAYOR

ATTEST:
 CINDERELLA M. MORRIS,
 DEPUTY CLERK

It is requested that the budget for the Waste Water Treatment Department, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, be amended and changed as follows, to wit:

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
410-236-575	Plumb supp	\$ 45,000.00		\$ 25.00	\$ 44,975.00
410-236-686	MS One Call	2,760.00	\$ 25.00		2,785.00

This budget adjustment constitutes a transfer of funds only and does not increase nor decrease the overall total budget for the Waste Water Treatment Department. Thank you for your attention and response to this matter.

Respectfully Submitted,
 Eddie Curry
 WWTP Director
 EC:gl

The above and foregoing order having first been reduced to writing was considered section by section and then as a whole, having been introduced by Councilperson Carl Palmer, was duly seconded for adoption by Councilperson Andrew Powell, and upon a vote being called received the following vote:

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

The President of the Council then declared the motion passed and adopted this the 15th day of December, 2015.

RONNIE STEVENSON
 PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

CAROLYN MCADAMS, MAYOR

ATTEST:
 CINDERELLA M. MORRIS,
 DEPUTY CLERK

It is requested that the budget for Supervision and Finance for the fiscal year 2016 be amended and changed as follows, to wit:

Account Number	Description	Current Budget	Increase	Decrease	Revised Budget
001-040-522	Other Supplies	\$4500.00	\$450.00		\$4950.00
001-040-695	Contingency	\$76,704.80		\$450.00	\$76,254.80

This budget adjustment reflects neither an increase nor decrease in General Fund-Supervision and Finance.

Carolyn McAdams
 Mayor
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The above and foregoing order having first been reduced to writing was considered section by section and then as a whole, having been introduced by Councilperson Carl Palmer, was duly seconded for adoption by Councilperson Andrew Powell, and upon a vote being called received the following vote:

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

The President of the Council then declared the motion passed and adopted this the 15th day of December, 2015.

RONNIE STEVENSON
 PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

CAROLYN MCADAMS, MAYOR

ATTEST:
 CINDERELLA M. MORRIS,
 DEPUTY CLERK

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, DECEMBER 15, 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 Carl Palmer, seconded by Councilperson Andrew Powell, 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: APPOINTMENT AGENDA
A RESOLUTION APPOINTING
DESIGNATED POLICE
DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES
AS DEPUTY CLERKS OF THE
MUNICIPAL COURT** - Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING
THE APPOINTMENT OF RANDY
CLARK TO THE BOARD OF
TRUSTEES OF THE GREENWOOD
PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT** - Adopted Unanimously

Motion was made by Councilperson David Jordan, seconded by Councilperson Ronnie Stevenson, to take all reappointments up in a block. 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 CONFIRMING
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF
DONNIE WHITEHEAD TO THE
LIBRARY BOARD** - Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF BOYCE
ROBBINS TO THE GREENWOOD
ADVISORY PARK COMMISSION
FOR WARD 2** - Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF
JESSE SHAVERS TO THE
GREENWOOD ADVISORY
PARK COMMISSION FOR
WARD 6** - Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF
DOROTHY HUGGIONS TO
THE GREENWOOD TOURISM
COMMISSION FOR WARD 6** - Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF
DOUGLAS CARTHLEDGE TO
THE GREENWOOD ADVISORY
PARK COMMISSION FOR WARD 3** - Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF
ULYSSES CARL CATES TO THE
GREENWOOD TOURISM
COMMISSION FOR WARD 3** - Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF
ROBERT BENFORD TO THE
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION** - Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF
BRUCE TURNER TO THE
GREENWOOD ADVISORY PARK
COMMISSION FOR WARD 7**

- Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF
RUTHIE MCDONALD TO THE
GREENWOOD TOURISM
COMMISSION FOR WARD 7**

- Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF JOHN
P. HENSON TO THE GREENWOOD-
LEFLORE AIRPORT BOARD**

- Adopted Unanimously

**IN RE: ROUTINE ITEMS AGENDA
A RESOLUTION APPROVING
A PERMIT APPLICATION OF
CSPIRE FOR USE AND OCCUPANCY
AGREEMENT FOR THE
CONSTRUCTION OR ADJUSTMENT
OF A UTILITY WITHIN CITY STREET
RIGHT-OF-WAY**

- Tabled Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING
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RIGHT-OF-WAY**

- Tabled Unanimously

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- Tabled Unanimously

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AGREEMENT FOR THE
CONSTRUCTION OR ADJUSTMENT
OF A UTILITY WITHIN CITY STREET
RIGHT-OF-WAY**

- Tabled Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE CITY OF GREENWOOD TO
ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM
OF AGREEMENT WITH THE
MISSISSIPPI MAIN STREET
ASSOCIATION REGARDING
GREENWOOD'S MAIN STREET
PROGRAM**

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 CITY OF GREENWOOD TO
ENTER INTO A RURAL ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT LOAN AND GRANT
PROGRAM LOAN FROM SOUTH
MISSISSIPPI ELECTRIC
POWER ASSOCIATION**

- Adopted Unanimously

IN RE: STUDY AGENDA -NONE

**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**

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