

**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, April 18, 2017 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, Ronnie Stevenson, Andrew Powell, David Jordan and Carl Palmer, Thomas Gregory, III, CAO; Nick Joseph, Jr., City Clerk and Cinderella Morris, Council Clerk. Councilpersons Lisa Cookston and Charles E. McCoy, Sr. being absent.

Also present were: Arthur Smith, Cornelius Sanders and Ricky Tucker, Resilience Community Development Corporation, Freddie White-Johnson and Latania Dodd, Fannie Lou Hamer Cancer Foundation, Brantley Snipes, Director Main Street Greenwood, Carl Winters, Zackary Hatcher, WABG/WXVT TV Station, Kathryn Eastburn, Commonwealth Newspaper and Christopher Williams, Taxpayers Channel.

Also present were: Mayor's Secretary Bettie Ray, Alicia Dallas, Fire Chief Marcus Banks, Battalion Chief Willie Coker, Marvin Turner, Police Chief Ray Moore, Melvin Washington, Sergeant Melvin Cook, Public Works Director Susan Bailey, Leonard Lofton, Code Enforcement Officer Betty Stigler, Community Development Director Victor Stokes and Director of the Waste Water Treatment Plant Division Eddie Curry.

Councilperson David Jordan leaves the meeting at this time.

IN RE: AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilperson Johnny Jennings, seconded by Councilperson Carl Palmer, to amend the agenda to include a Resolution authorizing a donation in the amount of \$300.00 to Ms. Senior Mississippi 2016, Betty Aden. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Ronnie Stevenson, Andrew Powell, and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. Councilpersons Lisa Cookston, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., and David Jordan being absent. The President declared the motion passed and adopted.

IN RE: AGENDA

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

Councilperson David Jordan returns to the meeting at this time.

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 64, and evidenced by Claims Number 1661 through 1682 inclusive, be paid by Check Numbers 1607 through 1624 and Check Numbers 1742 through 1743 inclusive, and Claims Numbers 1683 through 1820 inclusive, be paid by Check Numbers 1752 through 1888 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 recognized Freddie White-Johnson and Latania Dodd of the Fannie Lou Hamer Cancer Foundation. She read the following proclamation in honor of Freddie White-Johnson.



PROCLAMATION OF RECOGNITION

Freddie White Johnson, Founder & Outstanding Community Leader
The Fannie Lou Hamer Cancer Foundation
April, 2017

WHEREAS, Freddie White-Johnson, in 2005, founded the Fannie Lou Hamer Cancer Foundation (FLHCF); and

WHEREAS, Fannie Lou Hamer Cancer Foundation is a 501(C)3 non-profit, volunteer awareness, independent, community-supported, charitable organization dedicated to the eradication of cancer in Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, On August 1, 2015 the Fannie Lou Hamer Cancer Foundation's historic cancer awareness tag was made available at the county courthouse; and

WHEREAS, The Fannie Lou Hamer Cancer Foundation developed and implemented a pilot program, "Community Health Advisors (CHAs) Men in Black and Blue Fighting Prostate Cancer" in Greenwood, Leflore County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, The Fannie Lou Hamer Cancer Foundation (FLHCF) utilizes the National Cancer Institute wellness program titled "Body and Soul: A Celebration of Healthy Eating and Living"; and

WHEREAS, The Fannie Lou Hamer Cancer Foundation (FLHCF) provides the community with a special opportunity to gain education on the importance of early detection and screening.

WHEREAS, We proudly recognize Freddie White-Johnson as an Outstanding Community Leader and the Founder of Fannie Lou Hamer Cancer Foundation during the month of April, and present to her the Key to The City of Greenwood.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Carolyn McAdams, Mayor of the City of Greenwood, the Greenwood City Council, and our citizens, do hereby proclaim our appreciation for the accomplishments and contributions of Freddie White Brown and honor her during the month of April in the year 2017.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We hereunto set our hands and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of MISSISSIPPI, in the City of Greenwood, this 18th day of April, 2017.

/s/Carolyn McAdams, Mayor

/s/Council President Ronnie Stevenson
Ward 3

/s/Councilman Johnny Jennings
Ward 1

/s/Councilwoman Lisa Cookston
Ward 2

/s/Councilman Charles E. McCoy, Sr.
Ward 4

/s/Councilman Andrew Powell
Ward 5

/s/Councilman David Jordan
Ward 6

/s/Councilman Carl Palmer
Ward 7

Mayor McAdams also presented Freddie White-Johnson with a key to the City. Freddie White-Johnson thanked the Mayor and Council for the proclamation and the key to the City. She said so many people deserve this recognition. She said their goal is to eradicate cancer in Mississippi. She said the foundation has 5 ½ acres of land to build a permanent home for the foundation in Ruleville, the hometown of Fannie Lou Hamer. She said a half acre of property was donated by the descendants of the Marlow family that put Ms. Hamer off the plantation when she dared to vote.

Mayor McAdams advised Council that our sales tax allocation for the month was \$383,605.00, a decrease of \$17,731.00 or 6%. She said for the year we have collected \$2,734,787.00, an increase of \$163,733.00.

Mayor McAdams said that Brantley Snipes will make an announcement at this time. Brantley Snipes announced that Que on the Yazoo is May 5 and 6. She handed out a card advertising the event with information on the back if interested in judging Friday night May 5 to email Becky Palmer at beckypalmer@cableone.net. She invited Council and Mayor McAdams to attend Que on the Yazoo. She said there will be music on Friday night. She advised Council to get their t-shirt sizes to Cinderella.

Councilperson Charles E. McCoy, Sr. entered the meeting at this time.

Mayor McAdams recognized the employees of the month for April. Director of the Waste Water Treatment Plant Division Eddie Curry presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Leonard Lofton. Fire Battalion Chief Willie Coker presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Marvin Turner. Police Chief Ray Moore presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Officer Melvin Washington. Mayor McAdams congratulated each recipient.

Mayor McAdams said that Carl Winters has an announcement for the Baptist Town Community to make at this time. Carl Winters invited the Mayor and Council to meet at Hoover's Grocery in Baptist Town to help with the Baptist Town Clean Up event to be held on Saturday, April 22, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. until noon. He said they have gloves and that refreshments will be served. He said the public is invited too.

Mayor McAdams advised Council that the Recodification Ordinance is on the study agenda today. She said it will be adopted on May 3, 2017.

Mayor McAdams said that Rail Spike Park is completed. She said she is waiting on the final inspection from MDOT (Mississippi Department of Transportation). She said she will let Council know when MDOT will be in town.

Councilperson David Jordan advised Mayor McAdams that no play equipment was in Martin Luther King Park. Mayor McAdams said she will get with the Park Commission regarding this matter.

Council President Ronnie Stevenson advised Council that he made a legislative decision changing the May 2, 2017 meeting to May 3, 2017. He also advised Council that June 6, 2017 is Election Day and that they need to change it. Council discussed this further and agreed to change the meeting dates of the May 2 and June 6 Dilapidated Housing meetings.

Motion was made by Councilperson David Jordan, seconded by Councilperson Johnny Jennings, to change the meeting date of the May 2, 2017 dilapidated housing meeting to May 3, 2017 and the meeting date of the June 6, 2017 dilapidated housing meeting to June 8, 2017. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, David Jordan and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. Councilperson Lisa Cookston being absent. The President declared the motion passed and adopted.

IN RE: PUBLIC AGENDA

Ricky Tucker thanked Mayor McAdams, Council President Ronnie Stevenson, Thomas Gregory, Betty Stigler and Mr. Smith for their assistance. Cornelius Sanders, Founder of Resilience Community Development Corporation thanked the Mayor and Council. He said they are a new nonprofit organization that has worked primarily in North Memphis to improve housing, education, workforce training and business development as well as focusing on community unity events and crime reduction. He said the group has worked to provide housing for the homeless and to repair and replace decaying housing in Memphis. He said he looks forward to working with the city. He said they have been successful in securing federal and state grant money and that they are also looking at ways to create private-public partnerships and collaborations to bring together people working for similar goals. He said this will be their first time working in Mississippi. Council President Stevenson stated that he had the opportunity to meet and email Mr. Sanders. Mayor McAdams said she thinks this is a great concept.

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 David Jordan, to adopt the minutes of the April 4, 2017 City Council meeting. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, David Jordan and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. Councilperson Lisa Cookston being absent. 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 MARCH, 2017** - Adopted Unanimously

**ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL
 RECEIVING THE FINANCIAL
 REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK
 FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH,
 2017** - Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
 THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) 2017
 DODGE CHARGER PURSUITS AT
 STATE CONTRACT PRICE FOR
 USE BY THE GREENWOOD
 POLICE DEPARTMENT** - Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
 THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) 2014
 FORD FUSIONS FOR USE BY THE
 GREENWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT** - Adopted Unanimously

**AN ORDER REVISING THE BUDGET
 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017
 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, 2016 and ending September 30, 2017, 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 General Obligation MBIA Refunding Bonds 2016 for fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, be amended and changed as follows, to wit:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	NEW BUDGET
260-650-900	Operating Transf. Out	\$.00	\$125,000.00		\$125,000.00
260-650-997	Ending Fund Balance	\$426,271.26		\$125,000.00	\$301,271.26

This revised budget amendment constitutes neither an increase nor decrease to the General Obligation MBIA Refunding Bonds 2016.

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 David Jordan, and upon a vote being called received the following vote:

APRIL 18, 2017

COUNCILPERSON	YEA	NAY
Johnny Jennings	X	
Lisa Cookston	Absent	
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 18th day of April, 2017.

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 Division, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, be amended and changed as follows, to wit:

<u>Acct#</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Current budget</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Rev. Budget</u>
410-236-575	Plumbing	\$44,260.00		\$5,000.00	\$39,260.00
410-236-635	Rep & Mnt	\$13,221.00	\$5,000.00		\$18,221.00

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

Respectfully Submitted,
 Eddie Curry
 Director of Waste Water Division

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 David Jordan, and upon a vote being called received the following vote:

COUNCILPERSON	YEA	NAY
Johnny Jennings	X	
Lisa Cookston	Absent	
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 18th day of April, 2017.

RONNIE STEVENSON
 PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

CAROLYN MCADAMS, MAYOR

ATTEST:
 CINDERELLA M. MORRIS,
 DEPUTY CLERK

It is requested that the budget for the Supervision and Finance Department and Public Works Street Department for fiscal year 2016-2017 be amended and changed as follows to-wit.

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>New Budget</u>
001-040-695	Contingency	\$47,804		\$2,946	\$44,858
001-340-635	Pool Repairs	\$ 2,500	\$2,946		\$ 5,446

The above constitutes a total transfer of funds in the amount of \$2,946, which decreases the Supervision and Finance Budget and increases the Pool Department Repairs Budget (for tables, benches, waste receptacles).

Respectfully Submitted,
Carolyn McAdams
Mayor

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 David Jordan, and upon a vote being called received the following vote:

COUNCILPERSON	YEA	NAY
Johnny Jennings	X	
Lisa Cookston	Absent	
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 18th day of April, 2017.

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 64, CITY OF GREENWOOD, APRIL 18, 2017, 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 David Jordan, and was adopted by the following roll call to-wit:

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

**IN RE: ROUTINE ITEMS AGENDA
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE
CITY OF GREENWOOD TO PLACE
SPEED BUMPS IN CERTAIN
DESIGNATED AREAS IN WARD 5**

- Adopted Unanimously

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
A DONATION IN THE AMOUNT
OF \$250.00 TO THE NORTH
CENTRAL AREA AGENCY ON
AGING**

- Adopted Unanimously

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
A DONATION IN THE AMOUNT
OF \$300.00 TO MS SENIOR
MISSISSIPPI 2016, BETTY ADEN**

- Adopted Unanimously

IN RE: STUDY AGENDA - NEW CODE OF ORDINANCES

Council President Ronnie Stevenson reminded Council that the new Code of Ordinances is on the study agenda. He said if Council has questions to contact Thomas Gregory.

**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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