

**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, July 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, Attorney Don Brock, Jr., Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, and David Jordan, Nick Joseph, Jr., City Clerk and Cinderella Morris, Council Clerk. Councilperson Carl Palmer being absent.

Also present were: Gay Moss, Fred T Neely & Company, LLC, Sarah Fortenberry, Emily Roush-Elliott, Alliyah Sims, Delta News, Eric Spencer, Maurice Harris, Lauren Randall, Commonwealth Newspaper and Christopher Williams, Taxpayers Channel.

Also present were: Mayor's Secretary Bettie Ray, Police Chief Ray Moore, Sergeant Melvin Cook, Fire Chief Marcus Banks, Public Works Director Susan Bailey, Director of Community Development Division Victor Stokes and Code Enforcement Officer Betty Stigler.

IN RE: AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilperson David Jordan, seconded by Councilperson Lisa Cookston, to adopt the agenda. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, and David Jordan all voted YEA. Councilperson Carl Palmer 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 64, and evidenced by Claims Number 2758, be paid by Check Number 2639, Claims Number 2759, be paid by Check Number 2765 and Claims Numbers 2760 through 2903 inclusive, be paid by Check Numbers 2793 through 2932 inclusive, and said claims and accounts being made a part of the minutes as though fully copied herein.

IN RE: MAYOR'S REPORT

Council President Ronnie Stevenson presented the Mayor's report in her absence. He stated that our sales tax allocation for this month was \$382,456.00, an increase of \$11,555.00 or 3.0% more than June, 2016. He said for the year we have collected \$3,942,214.00, an increase of \$229,877.00 or 6% more than this time last year.

Council President Ronnie Stevenson announced that he had some sad news. He asked Attorney Brock to speak at this time. Attorney Brock announced the Luke Schissel passed away today. Councilperson Johnny Jennings asked President Stevenson for a moment of silent prayer for Luke Schissel.

IN RE: PUBLIC AGENDA

Gay Moss, Fred T Neely & Company, LLC, explained the 2015-2016 Audit to the Council and answered their questions. She said that the City Clerk and the Mayor were very helpful during the audit. She called to the Council's attention pages 6, Management's Discussion and Analysis for the year ended September 30, 2016 that highlights the city's financials. She said that the city's assets exceeded liabilities at the end of the fiscal year by \$82 million. She said that the government's total net position increased by \$3 million and that the total assets of the governmental activities increased by \$3.7 million. She said the governmental funds ending balance was \$6.5 million. She said the city's general fund balance was \$2.7 million at the end of the current fiscal year. She explained page 48 – Construction in progress and page 53 – Debts. She said the City issued two new debts, Fire Department communication equipment and Taxable Urban Renewal Revenue Bonds (repaid by Milwaukee Tool through rent). She highlighted page 82 – 86 Pension Plan and Page 88 – Single Audit. She said that the city received and spent \$3.5 million dollars in federal grants. She said the city had two Findings, first, Fred T Neely & Company is doing the city financial and second, the city had one item where the budget was over spent.

Emily Elliott addressed the Council regarding applying for a Delta Regional Authority (DRA) Creative Placemaking Grant. She said that DRA is offering a \$30,000.00 Creative Placemaking Grant and she is here to request a resolution to apply for the grant. She stated that creative placemaking is broadly defined and that the main thing that they want to do is integrate some art components. She said their idea is to look for opportunity for salvage.

IN RE: DILAPIDATED HOUSING

Code Enforcement Officer Betty Stigler presented Council with a copy of a posting to re-enter properties that has been determined to be a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community as follows: 308 Broad Street, 313 Young Street, 313/315 West Taft Street, 711 Avenue F, 207 West Henry Street, 300/200 Block of West Gibbs Street/700 Block of Fulton Street, 610 Avenue M, 528 Avenue G, 1207 Mississippi Avenue and 313 West Henry Street. She said that the list must be posted for seven day before they can be entered. She said she would like to bid out the properties for cleaning. Councilperson McCoy advised Stigler that a piece of property in his ward was not on the list. Stigler informed Councilman McCoy that she would add the piece of property to the list.

Motion was made by Councilperson Charles E. McCoy, Sr., seconded by Councilperson David Jordan, to authorize the properties presented by Betty Stigler including the property to be added to the list in Ward 4 to be cleaned through a bid process. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, and David Jordan all voted YEA. Councilperson Carl Palmer being absent. The President declared the motion passed and adopted.

IN RE: POLICY ISSUES AGENDA –NONE

IN RE: ROUTINE AGENDA

IN RE: CONSENT AGENDA

IN RE: MINUTES

Motion was made by Councilperson Charles E. McCoy, Sr., seconded by Councilperson Johnny Jennings, to adopt the minutes of the July 6, 2017 City Council meeting. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, and David Jordan all voted YEA. Councilperson Carl Palmer 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 JUNE, 2017**

- Adopted Unanimously

**ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL
RECEIVING THE FINANCIAL
REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK
FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE,
2017**

- Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION OF THE
COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF GREENWOOD TO
RECEIVE THE REPORT
OF THE CITY AUDITOR**

- Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE CITY OF GREENWOOD TO
APPLY FOR AND TO ACCEPT A
MISSISSIPPI OFFICE OF HIGHWAY
SAFETY FEDERAL POLICE
TRAFFIC GRANT IN THE AMOUNT
OF \$15,420.36**

- Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
 ACCEPTANCE OF BID SUBMITTED
 BY MIDSOUTH SOLUTIONS FOR THE
 PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS FOR
 EMPLOYEES OF THE POLICE AND
 FIRE DEPARTMENTS**

- 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 budgets for the Engineering Division, Parks Division and Street Division (all are divisions of the Public Works Department) for fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, be amended and changed as follows, to wit:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
001-200-500	Office supp	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 2,700.00
001-200-730	Mach & equip	5,128.00		\$ 1,000.00	6,128.00
001-201-586	Str maint/mat	77,781.00	6,400.00		71,381.00
001-341-635	Equip maint	13,000.00		6,400.00	19,400.00

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

Respectfully Submitted,
 Susan Bailey,
 Public Works Director
 SB: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 Charles E. McCoy, Sr., was duly seconded for adoption by Councilperson Johnny Jennings 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	Absent	

The President of the Council then declared the motion passed and adopted this the 18th day of July, 2017.

RONNIE STEVENSON
 PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

CAROLYN MCADAMS, MAYOR

ATTEST:
 CINDERELLA M. MORRIS,
 DEPUTY CLERK

It is requested that the budget for Youth Center Rent for fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, be amended and changed as follows, to wit:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	NEW BUDGET
002-000-398	Retained Revenues	\$.00	\$3,600.00		\$3,600.00
002-371-635	Repairs & Maint.	\$.00	\$3,600.00		\$3,600.00

This revised budget amendment does constitute an increase to Youth Center Rent 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 Charles E. McCoy, Sr., was duly seconded for adoption by Councilperson Johnny Jennings 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	Absent	

The President of the Council then declared the motion passed and adopted this the 18th day of July, 2017.

RONNIE STEVENSON
 PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

CAROLYN MCADAMS, MAYOR

ATTEST:
 CINDERELLA M. MORRIS,
 DEPUTY CLERK

It is requested that the budgets for the Engineering Division and Street Division (both are divisions of the Public Works Department) for fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, be amended and changed as follows, to wit:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
001-201-540	Fuel & lub	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 3,300.00		\$ 51,700.00
001-200-600	Prof svcs	4,800.00		\$ 3,300.00	8,100.00

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

Respectfully Submitted,
 Susan Bailey
 Public Works Director
 SB: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 Charles E. McCoy, Sr., was duly seconded for adoption by Councilperson Johnny Jennings 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	Absent	

The President of the Council then declared the motion passed and adopted this the 18th day of July, 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, JULY 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 Charles E. McCoy, Sr., seconded by Councilperson Johnny Jennings, 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 - Absent

**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**

- Adopted Unanimously

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE CITY OF GREENWOOD TO
PLACE SPEED BUMPS IN CERTAIN
DESIGNATED AREAS IN WARD 7**

- Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING
AGREEMENT FOR CERTIFIED
WASTEWATER OPERATOR SERVICES
FOR THE MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER
TREATMENT FACILITY OF THE CITY
OF GREENWOOD, MISSISSIPPI, AND
RELATED PURPOSES**

- Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND
APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN
APPLICATION FOR A DELTA
CREATIVE PLACEMAKING GRANT
ADMINISTERED BY THE DELTA
REGIONAL AUTHORITY**

- Adopted Unanimously

IN RE: STUDY AGENDA - NONE

Councilperson Charles McCoy asked Bettie Ray to inform Council about wearing their city t-shirts at the MML. Bettie Ray advised Council to wear their city t-shirts to the Opening General Session of the MML conference on Tuesday, July 25 for "City Shirt Day" and on the day of the 5-K Run. She stated that the t-shirts were donated by Artrageous and that no city funds were used to purchase the t-shirts.

**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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