

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF LEFLORE
CITY OF GREENWOOD**

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL was held this Thursday, January 3, 2019 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 Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, David Jordan and Carl Palmer, Cynthia Staniel, CAO; Kim Williams, City Clerk and Cinderella Morris, Council Clerk. Councilperson Johnny Jennings being absent.

Also present were: Lynn C. Berman, Rev. Peter Gray, Gerard Edic, Commonwealth Newspaper and Chris Williams, Taxpayers Channel.

Also present were: Mayor's Secretary Betty Ray, Public Works Director Susan Bailey, Fire Chief Marcus Banks, Assistant Police Chief Marvin Hammond, Sr., Sergeant Melvin Cook, Community Development Director Victor Stokes, Director of the Waste Water Treatment Plant Division Eddie Curry, Special Prosecutor for housing and other code violations Don Brock, Jr., and Code Enforcement Officer Betty Stigler.

IN RE: AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilperson Carl Palmer, seconded by Councilperson David Jordan, to amend the agenda to include a Resolution authorizing the City of Greenwood to donate \$250 towards the Mississippi Delta Robotics and Coding Academy Mobile App Project, a budget adjustment from Public Works Department and to put a Letter from The Johnson McAdams Firm regarding the Cowan Building at 100 West Market Street on the Study Agenda. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, David Jordan and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. Councilperson Johnny Jennings being absent. The President declared the motion passed and adopted.

IN RE: AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilperson David Jordan, seconded by Councilperson Carl Palmer, to adopt the amended agenda. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, David Jordan and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. Councilperson Johnny Jennings 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 65, and evidenced by Claims Numbers 583 through 688 inclusive, be paid by Check Numbers 7910 through 8014 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 wished everyone present a Happy New Year. She said that she is ready to get started with year 2019.

Mayor McAdams said that we have had some flooding in the city and that she will let Eddie Curry address the flooding. Eddie Curry said that the Yazoo River was at 30.12 feet of the flood stage of 35 feet. He said the Tallahatchie River is at 29.76 feet. He said that they had to close gates on north and south sides. He said that if it continues to rain it would put the city under a little more stress and that they would have to close up some more gates tomorrow or Saturday. He announced that the 24 inch gravity line was completed before Christmas. He said that water is flowing like it should and that the construction is much better. He said that he is satisfied with the lining. Council discussed the lining further.

Mayor McAdams announced that She and Council will be in Jackson January 8 – 10 at the MML Mid-winter Conference networking with other mayors and boards. She said that she could be reached by cellphone.

Mayor McAdams said that the Fulton Street Project was not approved for additional funding in 2018. She said that the city was awarded \$750,000.00 to start in March. She said that she would still try in 2019 to get additional funding.

Mayor McAdams advised Council that they each have new coffee mug of the City of Greenwood. She said that these mugs were cheaper than the other mugs that the city purchased.

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

Latrina Gatewood
Johnnie Gatewood
420 East McLaurin Street

- Tabled Unanimously

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Latrina Gatewood
418 East McLaurin Street

- Tabled Unanimously

Councilperson David Jordan questioned Betty Stigler about a pile of debris on Broad Street belonging to Larry Neal and Ervin Course property. Betty Stigler explained the process involving these properties.

Councilperson David Jordan addressed the Mayor regarding the state of Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. He said that you can hardly drive down it because there are bumps all the way across it. He said that it was shameful that a street that is important to the black community and named after a civil rights hero is in poor condition. Councilperson Lisa Cookston said that poor streets were all over the city and asked the Mayor why streets in her ward could not be fixed. Mayor McAdams stated that the city does not have enough money to repair every street. She said that the city does have \$500,000.00 allocated from the state during a special session held in August. Mayor and Council discussed street repairs further.

Betty Stigler advised Council that she and the Mayor had discussed dilapidated housing and decided to hold off on tearing down property because the city does not have the money to tear the properties down. She stated that she does not have a new list at this time.

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 Lisa Cookston, to adopt the minutes of the December 18, 2018 City Council meeting. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, David Jordan and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. Councilperson Johnny Jennings being absent. The President declared the motion passed and adopted.

**ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL
RECEIVING THE FINANCIAL
REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK
FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER,
2018**

- Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
 THE CITY OF GREENWOOD TO
 RENEW A PREFERRED SERVICE
 AGREEMENT WITH FORERUNNER
 TECHNOLOGIES, INC. FOR
 MAINTENANCE OF THE CITY'S
 TELEPHONE SYSTEMS**

- Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
 THE CITY CLERK TO GIVE
 NOTICE REQUIRED BY MCA
 SECTION 27-105-305 TO
 FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS FOR
 THE PRIVILEGE OF KEEPING
 MUNICIPAL FUNDS**

- Adopted Unanimously

**AN ORDER REVISING THE BUDGET
 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019
 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, 2018 and ending September 30, 2019, 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, Park Recreation Division, Park Maintenance Division, Street Division, Youth Center Division and Garbage Division (all are divisions of the Public Works Department), for fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, be amended and changed as follows, to wit:

Account Number	Account Description	Current Budget	Decrease Amount	Increase Amount	Revised Budget
001-200-515	Chemicals	\$ 27,500.00	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 22,500.00
001-200-600	Prof Svcs	1,200.00		\$ 5,000.00	6,200.00
001-340-505	Supplies	8,650.00	1,500.00		7,150.00
001-341-600	Prof Svcs	800.00		1,500.00	2,300.00
001-201-586	St Mnt/Mat	64,000.00	1,751.00		62,249.00
001-201-686	MS One Call	0.00		1,751.00	1,751.00
002-371-555	Supplies	2,000.00	1,015.00		985.00
002-371-560	R/M Bldg	3,003.00	1,000.00		2,003.00
002-371-635	Rprs/Maint	0.00		2,015.00	2,015.00
420-220-500	Office sup	400.00	1.25		398.75
420-220-556	Leaf bags	10,675.00		1.25	10,676.25
		\$ 118,228.00.00	\$ 10,267.25	\$ 10,267.25	\$ 118,228.00

This budget adjustment constitutes a transfer of funds only and does not increase nor decrease the overall total for the Public Works Department.

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 Lisa Cookston, and upon a vote being called received the following vote:

COUNCILPERSON	YEA	NAY
Johnny Jennings	Absent	
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 3rd day of January, 2019.

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 65, CITY OF GREENWOOD, JANUARY 3, 2019, 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 Lisa Cookston, and was adopted by the following roll call to-wit:

YEAS	NAYS
Johnny Jennings - Absent	
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 LYNN C.
BERMAN TO THE HISTORIC
PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

- 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**

- Adopted Unanimously

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE
CITY OF GREENWOOD TO DONATE
\$250 TOWARDS THE MISSISSIPPI
DELTA ROBOTICS AND CODING
ACADEMY MOBILE APP PROJECT**

- Adopted Unanimously

IN RE: STUDY AGENDA - Letter from The Johnson McAdams Firm regarding the Cowan Building at 100 West Market Street. Mayor McAdams advised Council to read the letter plus its attachments because she does not want to lose any businesses in the downtown area.

**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:

**KIM Y. WILLIAMS
CITY CLERK**

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