

**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, January 7, 2020 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, Andrew Powell, David Jordan, and Carl Palmer, Kim Williams, City Clerk and Cinderella Morris, Council Clerk. Councilperson Charles E. McCoy, Sr. being absent.

Also present were: Isadore Lipscomb, Willie Meeks, Jr., Lula Moore, Tamala Boyd Shaw, Toy Longstreet, Gerard Edic, Commonwealth Newspaper and Christopher Williams, Taxpayers Channel.

Also present were: Mayor's Secretary Bettie Ray, Public Works Director Susan Bailey, Police Chief Jody Bradley, Fire Chief Marcus Banks, 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 add three resolutions to the agenda, A resolution authorizing submission of an application for the African American Cultural Heritage Action Fund Grant, Resolution authorizing the City of Greenwood to accept bid from Kenneth Thompson Builders, Inc. for the Fulton Street Streetscape Improvements Project and Resolution authorizing a 6% salary compensation increase every three (3) years for all municipal employees, not otherwise set by statute or ordinance. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Andrew Powell, David Jordan and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. Councilperson Charles E. McCoy, Sr. 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 Johnny Jennings, Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Andrew Powell, David Jordan and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. Councilperson Charles E. McCoy, Sr. 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 66, and evidenced by Claims Number 4006 through 4167 inclusive, be paid by Check Numbers 11161 through 11167 and Check Numbers 11277 through 11429 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 Fire Chief Marcus Banks for his 25 years of service to the city.

Mayor McAdams said that on New Year's Eve a sewer line collapsed at Twin Lake Subdivision. She said that it is in the County but the City manages their sewer lines for a fee. She said the collapse put the citizens of Twin Lakes in an emergency situation. She said Malouf Construction is on site. She stated that the City acted within the guidelines of MS State Statute 31-7-1 which enables the City to hire an agency to come to its aide in fixing the problem.

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

Mayor McAdams asked Eddie Curry to speak at this time. Eddie Curry explained the problem. He said that an 8 inch sewer line running through Twin Lake and Valley Drive collapsed. He said that they were able to install two bypass pumps so that residents could still have sewage. He said that the pumps are still out there as of today. He said that he had called Tunnel Boring Company to come in Monday to bore a new pipe at Twin Lake that will extend 350 feet South to Valley Drive at a cost of about \$30,000.00. He said that Malouf Construction is stepping down. He stated that the pumps are on rent.

Council President Ronnie Stevenson said that he was informed of the situation. He said that he had a discussion with Supervisor Reginald Moore.

Mayor McAdams said that Eddie Curry and his team handled the situation very professionally.

Motion was made by Councilperson David Jordan, seconded by Councilperson Charles E. McCoy, Sr. to declare the sewer collapse at Twin Lake Subdivision an emergency. 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.

Mayor McAdams advised Council that Kim Williams has officially closed the books for year-end September 30, 2019. She said the unaudited closing showed the city has a deficit of \$225,000.00, the highest she has seen since she been in office. She said that unbudgeted health claims and the hiring of Butler Snow to conduct a feasibility study for Greenwood Leflore Hospital were factors. Mayor and Council discussed this further.

Mayor McAdams announced that she and the council will be traveling to Jackson January 14th thru 16th for the Midwinter Conference. She said that they can be reached by cellphone.

Mayor McAdams announced that the Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet will be January 16, 2020. She said that she has tickets.

Mayor McAdams asked Council to let Betty Ray know if they plan to go to the MML June Conference by Friday January 10, 2020.

Mayor McAdams advised Council that the Police Department is almost fully staffed.

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

Mary Jenkins  
Debra Brock  
315 Henderson Street

- Tabled unanimously

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

Rosie Lee Franklin  
Aaron Curtis  
1011 Strong Avenue

- Tabled Unanimously

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

Farmers Gin Co. of Greenwood  
Harry Lott  
1901 Carrollton Avenue

- Tabled Unanimously

**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 December 17, 2019 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.

**ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
RECEIVING THE FINANCIAL  
REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK  
FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER,  
2019**

**- Adopted Unanimously**

**ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
RECEIVING THE FINANCIAL  
REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK  
FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER,  
2019**

**- Adopted Unanimously**

**ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
RECEIVING THE FINANCIAL  
REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK  
FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER,  
2019**

**- 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  
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 REVISING THE BUDGET  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020  
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, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020, 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 Urban Renewal Revenue Bonds-Milwaukee Tools for fiscal year ending September 30, 2020 be amended and changed as follows, to wit:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase Amount</u>	<u>Decrease Amount</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
265-650-997	Ending Fund Balance	87,761.00		7,825.00	79,936.00
265-650-635	Repairs & Maint	0.00	7,825.00		7,825.00

This budget adjustment is a transfer of funds only, and does not increase nor decrease the overall total budget for Urban Renewal Revenue Bonds-Milwaukee Tools.

Respectfully Submitted:  
 Kim Williams  
 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	X	

The President of the Council then declared the motion passed and adopted this the 7th day of January, 2020.

RONNIE STEVENSON  
 PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

CAROLYN MCADAMS, MAYOR

ATTEST:  
 CINDERELLA M. MORRIS,  
 DEPUTY CLERK

It is requested that the budgets for Sewage Enterprise Fund and General Fund for fiscal year ending September 30, 2020 be amended and changed as follows, to wit:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase Amount</u>	<u>Decrease Amount</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
410-236-788	Improv-Sewer Line	826,000.00		10,000.00	816,000.00
410-550-990	Operating Trans Out	0.00	10,000.00		10,000.00
001-201-730	Mach & Equip	150,000.00	10,000.00		160,000.00
001-000-381	Operating Trans In	720,000.00	10,000.00		730,000.00

This budget adjustment constitutes a transfer of funds , and constitutes an increase to the General Fund

Respectfully Submitted:  
 Kim Williams  
 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	X	

The President of the Council then declared the motion passed and adopted this the 7th day of January, 2020.

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 66, CITY OF GREENWOOD, JANUARY 7, 2020, 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

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

**- Adopted Unanimously**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING  
SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION  
FOR THE AFRICAN AMERICAN  
CULTURAL HERITAGE ACTION  
FUND GRANT**

**- Adopted Unanimously**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING  
THE CITY OF GREENWOOD TO  
ACCEPT BID FROM KENNETH  
THOMPSON BUILDERS, INC. FOR  
THE FULTON STREET STREETScape  
IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

**- Adopted Unanimously**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING  
A 6% SALARY COMPENSATION  
INCREASE EVERY THREE (3)  
YEARS FOR ALL MUNICIPAL  
EMPLOYEES, NOT OTHERWISE  
SET BY STATUTE OR ORDINANCE**

**- Adopted Unanimously**

**IN RE: STUDY AGENDA - NONE**

Councilperson Charles McCoy voiced his concerns regarding gunshots being fired New Year's Eve. Police Chief Jody Bradley addressed this matter. He said that there was no gunshot injuries reported. He explained some recent developments in the department. He said by Monday, five new officers should be sworn in and that the patrol division would only be short one officer of being fully staffed. He said that the department is initiating a 'high crime group' that would consist of two officers who would work from 6:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m., five days a week where shot are likely been fired. He said that he will have officers park their cars and patrol neighborhoods on foot. He said that he is in the process of designating a "gang officer" who would interact and develop rapport with city's gangs.

**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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