

**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 21, 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 Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Andrew Powell, David Jordan, and Carl Palmer, Kim Williams, City Clerk, Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, and Charles E McCoy, Sr. being absent.

Also present were: Courtney Kimmel, Bill Crump, Steven Cookston, Gerard Edic of The Commonwealth Newspaper and Chris Williams of The Taxpayers Channel.

Also present were: Mayor's Secretary Bettie Ray, Public Works Director Susan Bailey, Fire Chief Marcus Banks, Sergeant Melvin Cook, Director of the Waste Water Treatment Plant Division Eddie Curry, and Community Development Director Elizabeth Stigler.

IN RE: AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilperson Carl Palmer, seconded by Councilperson David Jordan, to amend the agenda to include resolution of the City Council of the City of Greenwood in support of the relocation of the Confederate Statue at The Leflore County Courthouse and a resolution authorizing matching funds for a 2020 Delta Regional Authority application in support of storm water drainage project. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Andrew Powell, David Jordan, and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. Councilpersons Johnny Jennings and Charles E, McCoy, Sr. being absent. The President declared the motion passed and adopted.

IN RE: AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilperson Carl Palmer, seconded by Councilperson David Jordan., to adopt the amended agenda. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Andrew Powell, David Jordan, and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. Councilpersons Johnny Jennings and 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 Numbers 5707 through 5825 inclusive, be paid by Check Numbers 12949 through 13065 inclusive and accounts being made a part of the minutes as though fully copied herein.

IN RE: MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor McAdams welcomed everyone and said she was happy to have Chief Hammond back.

Mayor McAdams asked that we have a moment of silence for her good friend Joe Seawright who passed away Saturday. He was a big supporter of Greenwood and was the one who started the Balloon Fest.

Councilperson David Jordan asked if we could also have a moment of silence for Congressman John Lewis who passed away.

Mayor McAdams stated that the sales tax report was good this month. The sales tax allocation was \$438,939; this is an increase of \$26,939. This is a 6.5% increase from this time last year. We have collected \$3,921,082 for the year. \$28,748 or 1% more than last year around this time

Mayor McAdams stated that Courtney Kimmel, from United Way, would come to the podium and talk about a fundraiser.

Courtney Kimmel thanked the Council and said that United Way had been having a successful event every year for the past five years. However, their board has decided to cancel the indoor events due to COVID-19. This year, on August 7, there will still be a draw down, golf tournament, and tennis tournament. Courtney stated that they will have hand sanitizer available for everyone and they are taking necessary measures to keep everything sanitized.

She thanked the City for their donation on last year of \$1,500 and asked if they could donate again. Councilperson Ronnie Stevenson said that we had already budgeted for the donation and will be able to donate again.

Susan Bailey came to the podium and informed everyone that she was down another trash truck driver due to COVID-19. She said that we will be hiring another trash truck and garbage truck driver.

Councilperson Charles E. McCoy Sr. enters the meeting.

Councilperson David Jordan suggested that the route should be reversed to relieve some neighborhoods of trash.

Councilperson Charles E. McCoy, Sr. asked where we are with the trash route, Susan Bailey stated that they were on the 4th route finishing up.

Mayor McAdams stated that Ms. Bailey and her team were doing the best they could with trash and garbage pickup. She also said it is important that we continue to follow the COVID-19 guidelines because we are getting worse and worse.

Councilperson Johnny Jennings enters the meeting.

Councilperson David Jordan expressed his appreciation for the mask resolution. He also stated that citizens have been participating and responding well to it.

IN RE: PUBLIC AGENDA - NONE

IN RE: POLICY ISSUE - NONE

IN RE: ROUTINE AGENDA

IN RE: CONSENT AGENDA

IN RE: MINUTES

Motion was made by Councilperson Charles E. McCoy Sr., seconded by Councilperson Carl Palmer to adopt the minutes of the July 21, 2020 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 PRIVILEGE

LICENSES REPORT OF THE

CITY CLERK FOR THE

MONTH OF JUNE, 2020

- Adopted Unanimously

ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL

RECEIVING THE FINANCIAL

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK

FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 2020

- Adopted Unanimously

**IN RE: BUDGET ADJUSTMENT–
VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS**

- Adopted Unanimously

**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, JULY 21, 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 Carl Palmer seconded by 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: ROUTINE ITEMS AGENDA
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE CITY OF GREENWOOD TO
PURCHASE THE HISTORIC ELKS
LODGE LOCATED AT 102 WEST
WASHINGTON, GREENWOOD,
MISSISSIPPI, FROM THE FRED
AND MARGARET CARL FOUNDATION**

- Adopted Unanimously

**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

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
MATCHING FUNDS FOR A 2020
DELTA REGIONAL AUTHORITY
APPLICATION IN SUPPORT OF STORM
WATER DRAINAGE PROJECT**

- Adopted Unanimously

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
GREENWOOD IN SUPPORT
OF THE RELOCATION OF
THE CONFEDERATE STATUE
AT THE LEFLORE COUNTY
COURTHOUSE**

- Adopted

IN RE: STUDY AGENDA -NONE

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THIS MEETING WAS ADJOURNED

LISA COOKSTON

JOHNNY JENNINGS

RONNIE STEVENSON, PRESIDENT

CHARLES E. MCCOY, SR.

ANDREW POWELL

DAVID JORDAN

CARL PALMER

CERTIFIED BY:

**TAMIIRA BROWN,
COUNCIL CLERK**

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