

**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, June 16, 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, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., Andrew Powell, David Jordan, and Carl Palmer, City Clerk Kim Williams, and Council Clerk Tamira Brown.

Also present were: Cinderella Morris, Terry Coleman, Steve Cookston, Gerad Edic, Melvin Cook, Will Perkins, Chris Williams, Jessie Stewart, Troy Brown, Jr., Zac Sias, Troy Brown, Sr., Brandice Brown, Jaylin R. Smith, Rachel Splaingard, Dan Splaingard, Bishop Milton Glass, Andrea Moore, and Lee Hall.

Also present were: Public Works Director Susan Bailey, Code Enforcement Officer Betty Stigler, Police Chief Jody Bradley, Police Captain Terrence Craft, Fire Marshall Victor Stokes, and Code Enforcement Officer Marvin Russell

IN RE: AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilperson Carl Palmer, seconded by Councilperson Charles E. McCoy, Sr., to amend the agenda to include a resolution accepting a \$650,000.00 Mississippi Home Corporation Blight Elimination Program Grant. 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.

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 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.

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 5456 through 5576 inclusive be paid by Check Numbers 12605 through 12606 inclusive, and Check Numbers 12703 through 12819 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 welcomed everyone and stated that the Mississippi Municipal League Conference Election was cancelled due to the Corona Virus outbreak. She said all positions will stay the same until July, 2021.

Mayor McAdams gave a report on the sales tax for the month of June. She said that the sales tax allocation is \$381,256 and this is a decrease of \$15,287 or 4% for this time last year. For the year we collected \$3,482,863, which is an increase of \$1,799 or less than 1% for the year. She also stated that the City was awarded \$650,000 for the Mississippi Home Corporation Blight Elimination Program Grant.

Mayor McAdams asked that everyone be patience with the Public Works Division. The grass has gotten unruly because we are down two people with Corona Virus. Four people in total were sent home who help maintain the dilapidated property yards.

Mayor McAdams announced that Cynthia Staniel has been working with Eddie Curry, MEMA, and FEMA on working out the application to recoup the money we have spent on the cave in, across the river, on Claiborne Street. We have spent close to \$600,000 dollars. So far it looks like the Federal Government and the State is going to help us with this money.

Councilperson Charles E. McCoy, Sr., asked about the trash not being picked up

outside of homes. Mayor McAdams responded by reminding everyone that we are one driver short and because everyone has been at home we have been having excessive amounts of trash. She explained that some people have been either evicted or have had to leave their homes and this resulted in homes being emptied out and trash put on the streets. It takes two or three trips and is very expensive to pick up all the trash.

Councilpersons Charles E. McCoy, Sr., asked Public Works Director Susan Bailey how were we coming on the trash. Susan Bailey explained that we only have three trash trucks that are running. There are five routes that cover the City and some routes are taking five days to complete and as soon as some areas are picked up, the trash is piled back again.

Mayor McAdam reminded everyone that the Corona Virus is still out there and to be mindful and respectful of others when going out.

Councilperson David Jordan has a flyer with information on it to help small business if they have lost money due to Covid-19. He also stated that Senate Bill 2772 have all counties and municipalities included in the bill. The 1.25 billion dollars in this bill will be spent to help whoever lost revenue.

Councilperson Carl Palmer recognized the brothers of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. by asking them to stand. He said he had not seen so many in one council meeting and welcomed them for being there.

Councilperson President Ronnie Stevenson recognized Cinderella Morris and Victor Stokes for retiring. Councilperson President Ronnie Stevenson read a proclamation that thanked Cinderella Morris for the years and dedication she had put into being the Clerk of The Council. He stated that June 16, 2020 will be celebrated and observed as Cinderella Morris Day. Both Cinderella Morris and Victor Stokes were presented with a fruit basket and a key to the City.

**IN RE: PUBLIC AGENDA
TROY BROWN, CONFEDERATE
MONUMENT – WANTS THE
COUNCIL SUPPORT IN HAVING
IT MOVED TO THE MUSEUM**

Troy Brown, Sr. alongside Troy Brown, Jr. addressed the council wanting a resolution done and the Council's support in moving the Confederate Monument from in front of the Courthouse to a museum. Troy Brown, Sr. said that the monument represents and embodies everything we are trying to get away from. Troy Brown, Jr. expressed that when the monument was erected in 1918 it wasn't meant to show a sense of pride for the south nor was it made to be a memorial to vets. Councilperson David Jordan advised Troy Brown, Sr. and Troy Brown, Jr., to address the Board of Supervisors about this matter. Councilperson President Ronnie Stevenson thanked them for sharing their concerns and stated that the council would work on a resolution in support of moving the monument.

**IN RE: PUBLIC AGENDA
JESSIE STEWART –
INSURANCE CLAIM**

Jessie Stewart addressed the Council about a tree that had fallen on his car. He asked Council President Ronnie Stevenson was it the citizens job to let the Council know about rotten trees. Councilperson President Ronnie Stevenson replied he wouldn't think so. He also stated that he contacted the Mayor about the issue. Mayor McAdams gave Jessie Stewart a brief about how the insurance claim policy procedure works. Mayor McAdams advised Jessie Stewart to come see her in the morning to discuss the issue along with all other parties involved.

IN RE: POLICY ISSUES AGENDA – NONE

**IN RE: ROUTINE AGENDA
IN RE: CONSENT AGENDA
IN RE: MINUTES**

Motion was made by Councilperson David Jordan, seconded by Councilperson Carl Palmer, to adopt the minutes of the June 2, 2020 City Council Meeting and June 12, 2020

Special City Council meetings. A vote was taken, Councilperson 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 MAY, 2020** - Adopted Unanimously

**ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL
RECEIVING THE FINANCIAL
REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK
FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 2020** - Adopted Unanimously

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
ACCEPTANCE OF QUOTE
SUBMITTED BY MID SOUTH
UNIFORMS & SUPPLY, INC.
FOR THE PURCHASE OF
UNIFORMS FOR EMPLOYEES
OF THE POLICE AND FIRE
DEPARTMENTS** - Adopted Unanimously

**BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS –
VARIOUS DEPARTMENT** - 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, JUNE 16, 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 David Jordan, seconded by Councilperson Carl Palmer, 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: A RESOLUTION APPOINTING
ELIZABETH BETTY STIGLER AS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
DIRECTOR FOR THE
CITY OF GREENWOOD** - Adopted Unanimously

**IN RE: RESOLUTION APPOINTING
MISSISSIPPI MUNICIPAL LEAGUE
2020 VOTING DELEGATES FOR
THE CITY OF GREENWOOD**

- No Action Taken

IN RE: STUDY AGENDA – NONE

**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:

**TAMIRA BROWN
CITY COUNCIL CLERK**

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