

## **REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 4, 2014**

Be it remembered that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ocean Springs met in a Regular meeting at City Hall in the City of Ocean Springs at 6:00 p.m. on November 4, 2014. The Mayor presiding, Aldermen Cox, Gill, Denyer, Dalgo and Impey were present. Also present was City Clerk Shelly Ferguson and City Attorney John Edwards. Aldermen McDonnell and Cody were absent.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

Alderman Cox gave the invocation and the Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor commended Alderman Cody for all of his hard work done for the Trick or Treat Down the Street and the Peter Anderson Festival. She also recognized the Police Department, Fire Department and Public Works for the great job they did during the festivals.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Mayor asked for discussion under Old Business about a water/sewer billing issue. She stated during budget meetings, the Finance Committee recommended no longer sending out pink slip reminders notifying customers of potential cut-off of water service due to non-payment. Notification of the change was printed on previous water/sewer bills. The Mayor asked the Board to consider waiving the \$30.00 reconnect fee to the customers who were cut-off. Alderman Cox stated this was a recommendation by the City Clerk. The Mayor asked for a Press Release advising the public of the changes. After further discussion, the Board asked to do more research on this matter. No action taken.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. John Lee introduced himself as the newly appointed Civil Service Commissioner. He stated he is happy to serve on the commission and thanked the Board for his appointment to the Commission.

Mr. Mike Brown, 15706 Cruthirds Road, gave an update on the progress made at 1213 Lancelot Lane. He reported that when the Estate of Mr. Champiomont is finalized on November 21st, they will have the financial means to begin the repairs to the structure. He stated they have been working on the clean-up of the exterior and interior of the house. Alderman Gill presented pictures of the property, stating the yard has not been cleaned and the Board is going forward with the lot cleaning. The Building Official

stated the only visible progress made to date is the shrubs being trimmed around the front porch and the back and front yards have been mowed.

## **ADDENDUM**

Motion was made by Alderman Denyer, seconded by Alderman Impey and unanimously carried to add the Addendum to the Agenda.

## **CONSENT AGENDA AND ADDENDUM**

Motion was made by Alderman Gill, seconded by Alderman Impey and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda and the Addendum to include authorizing to begin the process to fill the vacant position in the Parks and Leisure Services Department.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

### **Mayor:**

The Mayor reported the Mississippi Landmark Permit was issued by the MS Department of Archives and History for the Mary C. O'Keefe Cultural Center roof repairs.

Motion was made by Alderman Denyer, seconded by Alderman Gill and unanimously carried to authorize to advertise for a loan up to \$250,000.00 to make the repairs to the Mary C. O'Keefe roof.

## **ALDERMEN'S FORUM**

Alderman Impey commended the Parks Director on doing a great job on the Fall Festival at Fort Maurepas Park. He also reported vendors at the Peter Anderson Festival commented how well the event is coordinated with the Chamber and the City. He also stated the vendors commented on how smoothly the festival is run and that our event is the friendliest event they attend every year.

Alderman Denyer reported three (3) different vendors at the Peter Anderson Festival complimented the Fire Department, Police Department and Public Works on the great job done by the City. He also thanked Alderman Cody for all of his work done on the event.

Alderman Cox thanked everyone for the hard work done and asked that a follow-up meeting with all of the departments be scheduled to improve on next year's event.

The Mayor reported the only issues she heard from the public was whether or not to allow dogs at the event.

Alderman Gill reported how well the street closure worked. He reported the restaurant and lounge owners stated it made a difference in their business by allowing the streets to open between the Trick or Treat Down the Street and the vendors setting up for the Peter Anderson Festival.

Alderman Gill thanked all of the City employees for their hard work during the festival. He said he received many good comments from the visitors.

Alderman Denyer asked the Board to consider establishing an allotment each year for preservation, trimming and maintenance for the trees in the downtown area.

Motion was made by Alderman Denyer, seconded by Alderman Gill and unanimously carried to recess the meeting until 6:00 p.m. on November 18, 2014.

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City Clerk

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Mayor

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Date

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**AGENDA**  
**MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN**  
**CITY OF OCEAN SPRINGS**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**November 4, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. OLD BUSINESS**
- 4. NEW BUSINESS**

- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT:** The public is invited to address the Board for up to 3 minutes. The Board will take all comments under advisement for potential action at a later date if warranted.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA\***

*\* Consent Agenda – All matters listed under Item 6, Consent Agenda, are considered to be routine by the Board of Aldermen and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.*

**Mayor:**

- a) Accept Minutes of the October 10, 2104 Ocean Springs Museum of History and Interim Director/Accreditation Report (Exhibit 6-a)

**City Clerk:**

- b) Approve Minutes: Recess Meeting October 21, 2014 (Exhibit 6-b)
- c) Approve payment: Docket of Claims and spread summary upon the Minutes (Exhibit 6-c)
- d) Accept Action Report (Exhibit 6-d)

**Police Department:**

- e) Ratify promotion of Officer Steven Dye to Sergeant, effective October 13, 2014, \$19.11 hourly and six-month probationary period, H.R. Committee concurs (Exhibit 6-e)

**Fire Department:**

**Human Resources/Risk Management:**

- f) Ratify endorsement to add coverage for the contents of the Ocean Springs Museum of History collection in the amount of \$24,739.00 at an annual expense of \$60.00 (Exhibit 6-f)

**City Engineer:**

**Public Works:**

**Community Development & Planning:**

- g) Authorize the Mayor to execute Agreement with the University of Southern Mississippi for the MS/AL Sea Grant Consortium Grant Project to Study Proactive Planning for Safer Citizens and Agreement with Allen Engineering & Science for this Sea Grant Project (Exhibit 6-g)
- h) Authorize the Mayor to execute the Substantial Completion form and authorize the payment of the invoice in the amount of \$49,485.00 with Landmark Contracting, Inc. per the approved contract, with all punch list items complete – Front Beach Sidewalk Repairs – Tidelands Grant Agreement – FY14-M201-2C (Exhibit 6-h)

**Building Department:**

- i) Authorize to proceed with public hearings at 10 Mayfair Court and 1300 Chalmette on November 18, 2014 (Exhibit 6-i)

**Parks & Leisure Services:**

- j) Approve Facility Use Agreement for the Ocean Springs Lacrosse Association to utilize the Ocean Springs Sports Complex (Exhibit 6-j)

**City Attorney:**

**Facilities:**

**Peer Review Committee:**

**H.R. Committee:**

**Finance Committee:**

**7. DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Mayor:**

Information Item:

- a) Permit issued by the Mississippi Department of Archives and History for the Mary C. O'Keefe Cultural Center roof repair (Exhibit 7-a)

**City Clerk:**

**Police Department:**

**Fire Department:**

**Human Resources/Risk Manager:**

**City Engineer:**

**Public Works:**

**Community Development & Planning:**

**Building Department:**

**Parks & Leisure Services:**

**City Attorney:**

**Facilities:**

**Peer Review Committee:**

**H.R. Committee:**

**Finance Committee:**

**8. ALDERMEN'S FORUM**

**9. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**RECESS UNTIL 6:00 P.M. on November 18, 2014**

**ADDENDUM TO AGENDA  
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
CITY OF OCEAN SPRINGS  
RECESS MEETING  
November 4, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.**

**1. CONSENT AGENDA**

**City Clerk:**

- a) Authorize to employ Jennie Heines as I.T. Administrator, \$18.00 hourly, effective November 10, 2014, six-month probationary period, she will continue to perform the Court Clerk duties until a new Court Clerk is hired, and authorize to begin the process to fill the vacant Court Clerk position, Judge Mestayer and H.R. Committee concurs (Exhibit A-1a)
- b) Approve and adopt the Second Amendment to Governmental Interlocal Agreement between Jackson County, Mississippi and the City of Ocean Springs, Mississippi providing for the Collection of City and School District Taxes by Jackson County (Exhibit A-1b)

**Fire Department:**

- c) Authorize to employ Kenneth J. Lee as Firefighter, \$10.03 hourly, effective November 20, 2014, one-year probationary period and pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements, H.R. Committee concurs (Exhibit A-1c)

**Public Works Department:**

- d) Award bid to Pensacola Concrete in the amount of \$33,070.90 for Storm Water Improvements on Nottingham Drive using CIPP (slip lining methods) (Exhibit A-1d)

**Parks & Leisure Department:**

- e) Authorize transfer of Billy Wayne Toche from the Parks Department to the Street Department in Public Works Department, effective November 8, 2014, at his current pay rate, Public Works Director concurs, (Exhibit A-1e)