

RECESS MEETING OF MARCH 17, 2015

Be it remembered that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ocean Springs met in a Recess Meeting at City Hall in the City of Ocean Springs at 6:00 p.m. on March 17, 2015. Mayor Moran presiding, Aldermen Cox, Gill, McDonnell, Cody, Denyer, Dalgo and Impey were present. Also present was City Clerk Shelly Ferguson and City Attorney John Edwards.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.


The Mayor gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

NEW BUSINESS

The update on paving by Supervisor John McKay was postponed until the next Board meeting on April 7, 2015.

Mr. Tony Onellion was not in attendance to speak on the cartoon map of the City of Ocean Springs. Motion was made by Alderman Cody, seconded by Alderman Cox and unanimously carried to make a presentation at the next meeting.

Mr. Andrew Poss, Vice President of the Mayor's Youth Council, updated the Mayor and Board on the projects the Council has been working on since January. In February, the Council raised over \$500.00 for the Mardi Gras Senior Prom at the Villa Maria. They participated in the State of the City Address by handing out programs and assisting with refreshments. He mentioned some of the Council members decorated flower pots and donated them to the ladies at the City Hall. The Council is currently working with the Parks and Recreation Department on a beautification project at the City parks by planting flowers. Mr. Poss said they will be having a "Prom Closet" in April for students to pick out dresses and shoes so everyone will have a special night at Prom this year. On the Mayor's Youth Council, there are eleven (11) seniors graduating; some are planning to attend colleges such as Cal Tech, University of Tennessee, the Navy Academy and the University of Texas.

The Council had a City-wide Instagram contest called "I  OS". Ms. Kaley Warren explained the council asked citizens to submit photographs from all around Ocean Springs. She announced the winner as Ms. Amy Saunders with her beachfront sunset picture.

ADDENDUM

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

OLD BUSINESS

Motion was made by Alderman Cody, seconded by Alderman Cox and unanimously carried to authorize allocation for the 2015 Spring Household Hazardous Waste Day not to exceed \$3,125.00 and authorize four (4) representatives to work the event on April 25, 2015.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Melanie Allen invited the Mayor, Board and all citizens to attend the annual meeting for the Land Trust for the Mississippi Coastal Plain on Saturday, March 21st at 2:00 p.m. at Twelve Oaks on Old Fort Bayou, 1112 Hanley Road, Ocean Springs, MS.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Alderman Gill, seconded by Alderman Cody and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda and Addendum with exception of item (6-l) which was removed from the agenda.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Building Department:

The Building Official updated the Mayor and Board on the issue of raising the tree canopy on Washington Avenue from Porter Avenue to the beach. He also reported that a certified arborist, Mr. Jim Heinzl with Compton Engineering, inspected the "Grace" tree on Washington Avenue. Mr. Heinzl's report was given to the Tree Committee who also inspected this tree. There was concern about doing an excessive amount of cutting which could shock the tree causing stress. The Building Official reported the northern and southern most tree limb that has sustained the most damage will be removed along with some deadwood.

ALDERMEN'S FORUM

Alderman Impey stated the ceremony for Mr. Piluitti was well attended. He said it was an honor to participate in this event.

Alderman Impey said he has researched other Film Ordinances from other cities. He is working with the City Attorney to prepare a draft Film Ordinance and hopes to be able to present it at the next Board meeting. The Ordinance would address the permitting process for filming in the City.

Alderman Dalgo stated he received a call about an incident that happened on Highway 90 on Saturday, March 14th involving the OS Elks float that had earlier participated in the St. Patrick's Day parade in Biloxi. Apparently the float hit a limb on an oak tree between Mello Mushroom and the Kangaroo gas station on Highway 90 causing bodily injury to some of the float riders. It was reported to Alderman Dalgo that the driver of the float did not see the limb and was traveling at a low rate of speed. Alderman Dalgo asked who needed to be contacted about this kind of issue. The Mayor stated it is in the MDOT right of way. The Building Official stated he would follow up with MDOT to determine the protocol.

Alderman Denyer asked the Building Official to check a low hanging limb on a tree on Calhoun near Little Children's Park.

It was also suggested that the Special Event Permit Applications be amended to include limited height requirements for the floats when submitting an application for any type of parade.

Alderman Cody asked the Board for approval of the Special Event Permit Application for the Spring Arts Festival sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce on Saturday and Sunday, March 28th and 29th. The Chamber agreed to pay \$2000.00 towards the costs incurred by the City. Motion was made by Alderman Cody, seconded by Alderman Gill to approve the Spring Arts Festival on March 28th and 29th. Motion carried with Aldermen Cox, Gill, McDonnell, Cody and Denyer voting aye and Aldermen Dalgo and Impey voting nay (Exhibit 9-a).

The Mayor suggested the Chamber charge a \$10 surcharge for vendor booths to help off-set the costs incurred by the City.

Alderman Dalgo asked to determine a cut-off date for presenting Special Event Permit Applications to the Board for approval. He said event organizers should have to come before the Board in January of each year to present their applications. Therefore, the City would know what to expect throughout the year.

Alderman Gill asked for a light study on side streets off of Government Street to be presented to the Board to determine if more lighting is needed on these streets.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Alderman Cody, seconded by Alderman Cox and unanimously carried to go into closed session to determine the necessity of going into executive session.

The City Clerk returned to the meeting and announced a motion was made by Alderman Cody, seconded by Alderman Gill and unanimously carried to remain in executive session to discuss personnel in the Police Department and Public Works Department.

Motion was made by Alderman Cody, seconded by Alderman Cox and unanimously carried to return to regular session.

Motion was made by Alderman Cody, seconded by Alderman Gill and unanimously carried to adjourn until 6:00 p.m. on April 7, 2015.

Meeting ended at 8:27 p.m.

City Clerk

Mayor

Date

Date

**AGENDA
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
CITY OF OCEAN SPRINGS
RECESS MEETING
March 17, 2015 - 6:00 p.m.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Update on paving – Supervisor John McKay
- b) Presentation on creating a cartoon map of Ocean Springs – Mr. Tony Onellion (Exhibit 3-b)
- c) Mayor's Youth Council Update – Mr. Andrew Poss and Mr. Kaleb Nailer (Exhibit 3-c)

4. OLD 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 Economic Development Council meeting minutes of March 9, 2015 (Exhibit 6-a)
- b) Accept quote from Tri-State Automatic Doors, Inc. in the amount of \$3,700.00 to install two (2) automatic handicap accessible doors plus \$871.00 for electrical power at the Police Station (Exhibit 6-b)
- c) Adopt Resolution of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ocean Springs in support of the request by the Jackson County Board of Supervisors for Pat Harrison Water Way District Erosion Control and Drainage Improvement Project at Ocean Springs Inner Harbor Park (Exhibit 6-c)

City Clerk:

- d) *Approve Minutes – March 3, 2015 Regular Meeting *The minutes will be distributed on Monday, March 16th (Exhibit 6-d)
- e) Approve Minutes – March 5, 2015 Special Call Meeting (Exhibit 6-e)
- f) Approve payment: Docket of Claims and spread Summary upon the Minutes (Exhibit 6-f)
- g) Accept Action Report (Exhibit 6-g)
- h) Approve Run/Walk Permit Application for a bridge walk for a community gathering of faith-based organizations and the general public as a fundraiser for a charity sponsored by Walk of Faith on Saturday, April 4, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m., no costs to the City (Exhibit 6-h)
- i) Approve Run/Walk Permit Application for a 5K Run sponsored by Volunteers in Medicine Gautier (VIMG) using the Front Beach pathway and bridge only, pending a change of date, no costs to the City (Exhibit 6-i)
- j) Approve Run/Walk Permit Application for a 5K Run sponsored by Medi Weight Loss Clinics using the Fort Maurepas route on Friday, May 1, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., no costs to Fire Dept., Parks Dept., and Public Works; \$300 cost incurred by Police Department (Exhibit 6-j)
- k) Approve Run/Walk Permit Application for a 2 Mile Open Water Swim/10K Run sponsored by Osprey-YMCA on Saturday, May 2, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. – 12 Noon; no costs to the City (Exhibit 6-k)

Police Department:

- l) Authorize employment of Fred J. Schwartz, Patrol Officer, effective April 1, 2015, \$13.94 hourly, one year probationary period and pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements (Exhibit 6-l)

Fire Department:

- m) Accept Monthly Fire Department Report (Exhibit 6-m)
- n) Authorize removal of Firefighter Ryan Doswell from probationary status to full-time status, \$11.18 hourly, effective immediately (Exhibit 6-n)

Human Resources/Risk:

City Engineer:

Public Works:

Community Development & Planning:

- o) Authorize the Mayor to execute the contract with Mandal's, Inc. for the MCOK roof replacement for a base bid amount of \$174,682.00 and approved unit prices, City Attorney concurs (Exhibit 6-o)
- p) Authorize the Mayor to execute the Consultant Contract Amendment #2 with Dennis Walker in the amount of \$24,000.00, creating a new not to exceed amount of \$38,000.00 for Accreditation Support Services, funded by Gulf Seafood Tourism and Promotional Fund – City Museum (Exhibit 6-p)
- q) Authorize the Mayor to execute the Consultant Contract with Bryant Whelan in the amount of \$1,000.00, for City Museum Accreditation Services, funded by Gulf Seafood Tourism and Promotional Fund – City Museum (Exhibit 6-q)
- r) Authorize the Mayor to execute the Consultant Contract with Nancy Wilson in the amount of \$5,000.00, creating a new not to exceed amount of \$19,400.00 for Interim Director of the Mary C. O'Keefe Cultural Center (MCOK), funded by Gulf Seafood Tourism and Promotional Fund – City Museum (Exhibit 6-r)
- s) Authorize the Mayor to execute Amendment #4 with Machado/Patano in the amount of \$4,500.00 related to the re-bid of Tidelands funded improvements to the OS Harbor, no additional funds required, pending City Attorney concurrence (Exhibit 6-s)
- t) Adopt Resolution to authorize and approve the Mayor, on behalf of the City, entering into a Grant/Loan Agreement with the Mississippi Development Authority in order to receive a grant on behalf of the City from the Mississippi Development Authority in an amount not to exceed \$450,000.00 for the purpose of completing infrastructure related to MS Network Operations Center (MNOC) and thus enhancing economic development through the creation of jobs (Exhibit 6-t)
- u) Adopt Resolution to Provide Formal Offer for Purchase of Property and Purchase of Permanent Maintenance Easements – CIAP MS-30706 – Harbor Storm Water Management and Wetlands Restoration (Exhibit 6-u)

Planning Commission:

- v) Accept Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the Lot Split and Sketch Plat for applicant, Dan Triplett – Dantam Estates (1226 Vermont Avenue) (Exhibit 6-v)

Historic Preservation Commission:

- w) Accept Historic Preservation Commission's recommendation to issue a COA for exterior renovations at 515 Rayburn Avenue (Exhibit 6-w)
- x) Accept Historic Preservation Commission's recommendation to issue a COA to install a small box for the purpose of a Little Library at 319 Jackson Avenue (Exhibit 6-x)

Building Department:

- y) Accept Tree Committee Minutes of March 12, 2015 (Exhibit 6-y)

Parks & Leisure Services:

City Attorney:

Peer Review Committee:

H.R. Committee:

Finance Committee:

7. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mayor:

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Police Department:

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Community Development & Planning:

Building Department:

- a) Tree Committee Minutes - Update on Washington Avenue to Porter Avenue and Pine Hills Road tree trimming and recommendation for "Grace" oak tree on Washington Avenue (Exhibit 7-a)

Parks & Leisure Services:

City Attorney:

Facilities

Peer Review Committee:

H.R. Committee:

Finance Committee:

8. ALDERMEN'S FORUM

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURN until 6:00 p.m. on April 7, 2015

**ADDENDUM TO AGENDA
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
CITY OF OCEAN SPRINGS
RECESS MEETING
March 17, 2015 - 6:00 p.m.**

1. CONSENT AGENDA

Police Department:

- a) Authorize employment of Reserve Officers Len Nobles and Kevin Egan as Part-time Warrant Officers, \$13.00 hourly, not to exceed 20 hours per week and pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements, H.R. Committee concurs (Exhibit A-1a)

Community Development & Planning:

- b) Authorize the Mayor and all necessary parties to execute the appropriate documentation to apply for funds from Office of Highway Safety for Occupant Protection Enforcement (Exhibit A-1b)