

## **SPECIAL CALL MEETING OCTOBER 8, 2017**

Be it remembered that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ocean Springs met in a Special Call Meeting at the Emergency Operations Center in the City of Ocean Springs at 11:30 a.m. on October 8, 2017. Mayor Dobson presiding, Aldermen Cox, Gill, Authement, Bellman and Impey were present. Also present was Deputy City Clerk Janice Hilton. Alderman Papania and Blackman were absent. Also absent was City Clerk Shelly Ferguson and City Attorney Kevin Melchi.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 11:50 a.m.

The Special Call Meeting is for the purpose of any and all matters pertaining to updates on Hurricane Nate.

The EOC Director, Nate Wilson, handed out MEMA Individual Assistance Damage Assessment Report and Business and Agriculture Damage Assessment Report Forms and asked all department heads and Aldermen to start documenting this information. The EOC Director said this is the information needed to determine a damage estimate to give to MEMA.

The only address currently reported with flood damage is 1309 Cove Place.

The major damage reported throughout the City is tree damage and power outages.

The Director of Parks and Leisure Services reported known damages to the parks and park facilities. The Parks Director is concerned with having children come to Parks and Rec tomorrow because they currently do not have power. She said the generator is not working and doesn't know when she may have power restored to the facility.

The Parks Director talked about the Fort Bayou Boat Launch and said it is in good shape but very muddy. Alderman Gill asked the Fire Chief if he could go to the boat launch and spray it down to get the mud off of it.

The Parks Director is estimating her damages to be around \$12,000.00 - \$14,000.00 after her first assessment of her parks and park facilities. The EOC Director asked if she could have her cost estimate ready before the FEMA Kick Off Meeting.

Mr. Sedgewick Hurd, spokesman from Mississippi Power, updated the Board on restoration of power. Mr. Hurd said crews are on the move throughout the City. Georgia Power is assisting MS Power by working in Ocean Springs to get power restored. Ms. Power had 8,000 power outages with Ocean Springs reporting the highest number at 3,500. Mr. Hurd said there are currently 2,300 – 2,500 customers still without power but they are working to have all power restored by 9:00 p.m. tonight. He said damage

assessment, tree trimming, and crews out from MS Power and Georgia Power is a part of the power company's restoration at no cost to the City.

The Fire Chief talked about the damage assessment for the (3) three fire departments.

The Fire Chief discussed the leaks that are still occurring at the Central Fire Station and EOC Center. He said when a heavy rain blows from the East the fire truck stall walls, fans in the stall area, and the ladies restroom area leaks really bad. He said these leaks have never been fixed since they moved into the building. He also said the front door leaks in the rain because the overhang is too high to stop the rain from coming into that area.

The Temporary Field Operations Supervisor gave the Board a list of items that Public Works has been working on. He stated so far there have (27) twenty seven trees reported down so they have been working, along with the fire department and police department, to get these trees cut from the roadway to allow traffic access to these areas. He said they have been working on the beach to get the debris picked up and some of the sand off the road. They are picking up all of the barricades. They are checking all of the sewer lift stations to make sure they are operating correctly because several of them went completely under water.

Alderman Bellman stated his ward did not receive much damage other than tree damage and power outages.

Alderman Authement said the major damage in his ward are some houses and cars with trees on them. The Yacht Club received some damage. The Bait Shop shed at the Harbor is destroyed. He also said there is some fence damage along the beach.

Alderman Gill said (2) houses in his ward had water flood their sheds and ruin their lawn equipment. He reported one street light down in Fort Bayou Estates and trees down throughout his ward.

Alderman Cox said he received a call from a resident at 3405 Parliament Drive who has a tree down in his yard inquiring if there is any assistance or funding to help with the tree removal.

Alderman Impey said his ward did really well. He said his current assessment of his ward is privacy fence damages, limbs and leaves.

The EOC Director asked the Board to make sure when getting the information on the Business and Agricultural Damage Assessment Report to include number of people employed, how long they were closed or anticipate being closed, and their damage assessment.

Alderman Cox will go by the Ryan Youth Center to make sure there are no leaks.

The Building Official stated there is a boat that sunk in the Lovers Lane area. The Building Official also talked about the roof leak in the boardroom at City Hall and the water shorting out the fire alarm causing it to go off several times during the night.

All of the Alderman will get addresses for any damages to their wards and get that turned in to the EOC Director.

Motion was made by Alderman Impey, seconded by Alderman Cox and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting ended at 12:44 p.m.

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City Clerk

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Mayor

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**CITY OF OCEAN SPRINGS  
COUNTY OF JACKSON  
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

Call for a Special Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ocean Springs,  
Mississippi.

From: Mayor Shea Dobson

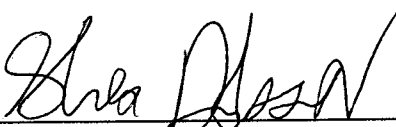
To: Aldermen Gill, Authement, Bellman, Cox, Papania, Blackman, and Impey

You are hereby notified that a Special Call Meeting is called to meet at Emergency Operations  
Center 3820 Bienville Blvd., Ocean Springs, MS at **11:30 a.m., Sunday, October 8, 2017.**

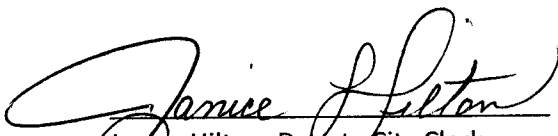
**THE OBJECT OF THE MEETING IS AS FOLLOWS:**

Any and all matters pertaining to:

A) Updates on Hurricane Nate

  
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Shea Dobson, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Janice Hilton, Deputy City Clerk