

## **SPECIAL CALL MEETING OF MAY 22, 2018**

Be it remembered that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ocean Springs met in a Special Call meeting at City Hall in the City of Ocean Springs at 5:30 p.m. on May 22, 2018. The Mayor presiding, Aldermen Cox, Gill, Authement, Bellman, Papania, Blackman, and Impey were present. Also present was City Clerk Shelly Ferguson and City Attorney Kevin Melchi.

The purpose of the Special Call Meeting is to discuss any and all matters pertaining to the City Auditor's Contract; interviews for Ocean Springs School Board member; and discussion of AT&T fiber optic pedestals.

Alderman Gill talked about AT&T installing fiber optic pedestals throughout the whole city starting in Fort Bayou Estates Subdivision. Alderman Gill requested the City Attorney contact AT&T and review the contract with AT&T regarding placement of utility boxes. Alderman Gill said it is stated in the contract that whatever equipment is placed in the yard or easement has to be aesthetically pleasing to the neighborhood. The City Attorney called AT&T about putting the pedestals underground.

Ms. Michelle Smith, Portree Place in Fort Bayou Estates, talked about the work AT&T is doing in Fort Bayou Estates. Ms. Smith stated the pedestals look like small water heaters. Ms. Smith contacted the AT&T representative about the pedestals and AT&T agreed to bury the box for her. Ms. Smith is requesting the Board put an ordinance in place so other utilities cannot come in and do the same thing.

Motion made by Alderman Gill, seconded by Alderman Blackman and unanimously carried to have the City Attorney along with the Building Official to draft an Ordinance regulating utilities on right-of-ways and easements in the City of Ocean Springs.

Motion made by Alderman Gill, seconded by Alderman Papania and unanimously carried to have the City Attorney negotiate with AT&T to rework all existing fiber optic pedestals and put them underground to also include any future fiber optic pedestals be placed underground as well.

Ms. Kim Marmalich, Partner over AVL Audit Assurance Department, and Deborah Aiken, Director of the Audit Assurance Department at AVL, came before the Board to submit a revised change order for the FY16-17 audit.

Motion made by Alderman Cox, seconded by Alderman Bellman and unanimously carried to go into closed session to determine the necessity of remaining in executive session.

The City Clerk returned to the boardroom and announced motion made by Alderman Cox, seconded by Alderman Gill and unanimously carried to remain in Executive Session to discuss personnel regarding audit.

Motion made by Alderman Authement, seconded by Alderman Gill and unanimously carried to come out of Executive Session and return to the open meeting.

Alderman Papania, seconded by Alderman Bellman and unanimously carried to pay the change order submitted by Alexander, Van Loon, Sloan, Levens, Favre, PLLC Certified Public Accountants & Business Consultants in the amount of \$15,600.00 to complete the FY16-17 audit.

Alderman Cox recused himself from interviewing and voting for the Ocean Springs School Board member as recommended by the City Attorney.

The Board interviewed the following candidates for the Ocean Springs School Board; Mr. Joe Cloyd, Ms. Kelley Stricklin, Ms. Lauren Braden, Mr. Vincent Burke, and Mr. Robert Bayne.

Motion made by Alderman Gill, seconded by Alderman Papania and unanimously carried to select Mr. Joe Cloyd serve on the Ocean Springs School Board for the remainder of the term vacated by Mr. Wally Carter which is to expire on February 28, 2020.

Motion made by Alderman Blackman, seconded by Alderman Papania and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting ended at 7:26 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 Cox, Gill, Authement, Bellman, Papania, Blackman, and Impey

You are hereby notified that a Special Call Meeting is called to meet at City Hall at 1018 Porter Avenue, Ocean Springs, MS at **5:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 22,, 2018.**


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

Any and all matters pertaining to:

- a) City Auditor's Contract
- b) Interviews for Ocean Springs School Board member
- c) Discussion of AT&T fiber optic pedestals

  
Shea Dobson, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Shelly Ferguson, City Clerk