# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PEARL, MISSISSIPPI, HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM AT CITY HALL FEBRUARY 18, 2020 AT 6:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen was called to order by Mayor Windham at 6:30 p.m.

Roll call indicated the following Aldermen present:

Alderman McHenry Alderman Luckett Alderman Sartor Alderman Steverson Alderman Foy Alderman Gill

Also in attendance was Kelly Scouten, City Clerk and Brendan Sartin, City Attorney.

### **PRAYER**

The meeting was opened with prayer by Alderman Gill.

Alderman Foy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

- Proclamation 2020 Census
- Recognize City Employee of the Month Freddie Stapleton
- Recognize Police Officer of the Month Shaun McDaniel

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Upon Motion by Alderman Thompson and seconded by Alderman McHenry, the following items were approved and adopted as the Orders of the Board by majority affirmative vote ("Aye") of the Aldermen present;

- 1. Approval/corrections of minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, February 4, 2020.
- 2. Approval of the claims docket for the period of February 4, 2020 to February 18, 2020, in the amount of \$1,949,595.27, in paid claims \$1,150,492.78, in unpaid claims and \$93,029.59, addendum. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen further find that the claims being paid are for budgeted items and those items are authorized to be purchased by law.

- 3. Approval of garbage exemptions applications and renewals, as attached hereto and made a part of the Minutes.
- Approval of application(s):
   Benjamin Drake- Police
   Darren Sollek- Police
   Jonathon Welker- Police
   Jacob Lang- Police
- 5. Approval of authorization to travel: Christa Billings- May 6-8, 2020 to Biloxi, MS for ESAP Annual Conference / \$605.72
- 6. Approval of Merit Increases
  Joseph Westbrook- Police
  Matthew Fagan- Fire
  Joel Williams- Fire
  John Throne- Fire
  Nick Welch- Fire
  Tyler Derriso- Fire
  Daniel Allen- Fire
- 7. Order to approve and authorize the purchase of ammunition from Precision Delta Corporation in the amount of \$6,003.75. (state contract#82200044582)
- 8. Order to approve and authorize the promotion and transfer of Joseph Glen Westbrook from Patrol to Narcotics Investigator.
- 9. Order to approve and authorize payment to Wierhouse Living, LLC, in the amount of \$17,850.00 for the Parks & Recreation Project Phase 2.
- 10. Order to approve and authorize the purchase of (2) sewer pumps from Cooper Electric, in the amount of \$16,785.88 for Patrick Farms and Westfield Sewer Station. (quotes obtained)
- 11. Order to adopt a Resolution Authorizing Mayor Windham, City Clerk, Kelly Scouten and Kathy Bourgeois, to sign any and all, MDOT contractors estimate-recap sheets as presented each month by MDOT without prior board approval for the West Rankin Parkway Project. The passage of this Resolution shall not include the expenditure of any funds of the City of Pearl without prior approval of the Board of Aldermen.
- 12. Order to approve and authorize payment to Pickering Firm, Inc., in the amount of \$31,225.00 for engineering services on the Detention Pond Project.
- 13. Order to set public hearing for March 17, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. to consider request by King LLC, for a dimensional variance to allow a 1200 sq. ft. house instead of 1500 sq. ft. as required by the Code of Ordinance at 524 Sardis St., Pearl, MS 39208.

- 14. Order to set public hearing for March 17, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. to determine whether or not that certain parcel of real property owned by Cameron S. O'Connor, and located at 3249 Old Brandon Rd., Pearl, Rankin County, Mississippi 39208 (Parcel No. E08Q000008 04280; PPIN No. 011768) is in such a condition or state as to be unsightly and unkept or otherwise a menace to the public health and safety of the community, and therefore, prohibited, pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Pearl, Mississippi and Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as Amended.
- 15. Order to set public hearing for March 17, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. to determine whether or not that certain parcel of real property owned by Olivia Watkins, and located at 4308 Autry St., Pearl, Rankin County, Mississippi 39208 (Parcel No. F09C000003 00890; PPIN No. 015717) is in such a condition or state as to be unsightly and unkept or otherwise a menace to the public health and safety of the community, and therefore, prohibited, pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Pearl, Mississippi and Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as Amended.
- 16. [Removed to General Business]
- 17. Order to authorize and approve the purchase of (2) CloudGen F380 Firewalls from BCI in the amount of \$14,562.82. (quotes obtained)
- 18. Order to set public hearing for April 7, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. to consider the Amendments to the Land Use Plan Map.
- 19. Order to approve and authorize the police officers identified on the proposed part-time work schedule for February & March 2020, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, the use of the official Pearl Police Department uniform and official Pearl Police Department duty weapon and finding that the proposed employment is not likely to bring disrepute to the City of Pearl, or the Pearl Police Department, the officers at issue, or law enforcement generally, and that the use of the official uniform and weapon in the dis charge of the officer's private security endeavor promotes the public interest of the City of Pearl.
- 20. Order to set public hearing for April 7, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. to consider Amendments to the Land Use Map.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

1. Consider request by Eddie T. Manning to rezone 102 Excell Dr. (Parcel: G08M-27) from General Commercial C-2 to Warehouse District.

Motion was made by Alderman Foy and seconded by Alderman Gill to continue this hearing until April 7, 2020. The following members of the Board of Alderman voted in favor of the Motion, which became the Orders of the Board: Alderman Foy, Alderman Steverson, Alderman Sartor, Alderman Thompson, Alderman Luckett, Alderman McHenry and Alderman Gill.

2. Consider request by Corine Ruffin for a conditional use to replace the current manufactured home with a new manufactured home at 959 Jenkins St., Pearl, MS 39208, which is zoned R-1.

Motion was made by Alderman Thompson and seconded by Alderman Sartor to grant the request by Corine Ruffin for a conditional use to replace the current manufactured home with a new manufactured home at 959 Jenkins St., Pearl, MS 39208, which is zoned R-1. The following members of the Board of Alderman voted in favor of the Motion which became the Order of the Board: Alderman Foy, Alderman Steverson, Alderman Gill, Alderman Sartor, Alderman Luckett, Alderman McHenry, and Alderman Thompson.

3. Determine whether or not that certain parcel of real property owned by J. Lee Oglesby, and located at 3859-5 Old Brandon Rd., Pearl, Rankin County, Mississippi 39208 (Parcel No. F09B000001 00010; PPIN No. 015274) is in such a condition or state as to be unsightly and unkept or otherwise a menace to the public health and safety of the community, and therefore, prohibited, pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Pearl, Mississippi and Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as Amended.

Community Development Director, Brad Robertson, informed the Mayor and Board that the property was not properly maintained and the building was unsafe, the owner had failed and refused to cut the grass and vegetation on the properly and maintain the property in a manner to keep it from being an eye sore, unsightly and unkept or otherwise a menace to the public health and safety of the community.

WHEREAS, said hearing was held at the time and place mentioned aforesaid, therefore: BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PEARL, MISSISSIPPI THAT:

- 1) The required notice which was mailed and posted in relation to this hearing is hereby received and recorded and the City Clerk is directed to record said copy in the minutes of these proceedings.
- 2) The parcel of property owned by J. Lee Oglesby, and located at located at 3859-5 Old Brandon Rd., Pearl, Rankin County, Mississippi 39208 (Parcel No. F09B000001 00010; PPIN No. 015274) is hereby adjudicated, in its present condition, to be a menace to the public health and safety of the community for the reason that said property is in an unsafe and unclean condition with grass, weeds and other unsightly vegetation growing thereon and with debris

present thereon, and said owner(s) has failed to remedy these hazardous, unsafe, and unsightly conditions thereon.

3) That the Department of Community Development is hereby directed to post a copy of this Order on the property, and if said owner fails to bring said property into compliance within ten (10) days of the date of this Order, then the Department of Public Works with the aid of the various departments of the City, including the Department of Community Development, to perform one or more or all of the following acts on and to said property to clean said lot and remedy the hazardous, unsafe and unsightly conditions thereon:

Cutting grass, weeds, unsightly vegetation, cutting dead trees in danger of falling, filling cisterns, removing rubbish, dilapidated fences, outside toilets, demolishing and removing any dilapidated or unsafe or unsanitary buildings, including the residence, and other debris, and draining cesspools and standing water therefrom.

- 4) That the Director of Community Development is hereby directed to keep a careful and correct accounting of the cost of cleaning and remedying said lot and to report this accounting to the next regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen after said property is cleaned and remedied in compliance with this Order.
- 5) That there should be and hereby is imposed and assessed against the subject property a penalty of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) or fifty percent (50%) of the actual cost, whichever is more, which the City Clerk shall cause to be included in the assessments for municipal ad valorem taxes.
- 6) This adjudication that the property or parcel of land is in need of cleaning will authorize the municipality to reenter the property or parcel of land up to six (6) times in any twelve-month period with respect to removing dilapidated buildings, dilapidated fences and outside toilets, and up to twelve (12) times in any twenty-four-month period with respect to cutting grass and weeds and removing rubbish, personal property and other debris on the subject property, without any further hearing if notice is posted on the property or parcel of land and at city hall or another place in the municipality where such notices are generally posted at least—seven (7) days before the property or parcel of land is reentered for cleaning.

This Motion was made by Alderman Gill and seconded by Alderman Steverson.

The following members of the Board of Aldermen voted in favor of the Motion which became the Order of the Board: Alderman Foy, Alderman Steverson, Alderman Sartor, Alderman Thompson, Alderman Luckett, Alderman McHenry and Alderman Gill.

4. Determine whether or not that certain parcel of real property owned by Eddie Dean Arnold, and located at 647 Palmer St., Pearl, Rankin County, Mississippi 39208 (Parcel No. G08N000004 04280; PPIN No. 018957) is in such a condition or state as to be unsightly and unkept or otherwise a menace to the public health and safety of the community, and therefore, prohibited, pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Pearl, Mississippi and Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as Amended.

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- 3) That the Department of Community Development is hereby directed to post a copy of this Order on the property, and if said owner fails to bring said property into compliance within ten (10) days of the date of this Order, then the Department of Public Works with the aid of the various departments of the City, including the Department of Community Development, to perform one or more or all of the following acts on and to said property to clean said lot and remedy the hazardous, unsafe and unsightly conditions thereon:

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This Motion was made by Alderman Gill and seconded by Alderman Steverson. The following members of the Board of Aldermen voted in favor of the Motion which became the Order of the Board: Alderman Foy, Alderman Steverson, Alderman Sartor, Alderman Thompson, Alderman Luckett, Alderman McHenry and Alderman Gill.

#### GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Read aloud the bids for the purchase of not less than, par of \$2,500,000.00 City of Pearl, Mississipi General Obligation Note Series 2020.

Jamie Holloway, Government Consultants, Inc., announced that bids were received by Peoples Bank, (1.53%) Trustmark National Bank, (2.22%), Priority One Bank (2.75%) and Community Bank (1.64%).

Motion was made by Alderman Foy and seconded by Alderman Gill to accept the bid of Peoples Bank (1.53%) for the purchase at not less than par of \$2,500,000 City of Pearl, Mississippi General Obligation Note, Series 2020, as the lowest and best bid. The following members of the Board of Alderman voted in favor of the Motion: Alderman Luckett, Alderman Sartor, Alderman Steverson, Alderman Thompson, Alderman McHenry, Alderman Foy, and Alderman Gill.

2. Order to approve and authorize the installation of the roof at Pearl Fire Dept., Station #4, 5100 Highway 80 East, Pearl, MS, by Complete Exteriors in the amount of \$32,485.00. (quotes obtained)

Motion was made by Alderman Foy and seconded by Alderman Steverson to approve and authorize the installation of the roof at Pearl Fire Dept., Station #4, 5100 Highway 80 East, Pearl, MS, by Complete Exteriors in the amount of \$32,485.00. The following members of the Board of Alderman voted in favor of the Motion: Alderman Steverson, Alderman Thompson, Alderman McHenry, Alderman Foy, and Alderman Gill. Alderman Luckett and Alderman Sartor voted against the Motion.

There were no emergency consideration of committees, commission and board matters. Having no further business Mayor Windham asked that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion was made by Alderman Thompson and seconded by Alderman Gill approving an order to adjourn the meeting. The following members of the Board of Alderman voted in favor of the Motion: Alderman Steverson, Alderman Thompson, Alderman Sartor, Alderman McHenry, Alderman Foy and Alderman Gill.

The foregoing were adopted as, and became, the Resolutions and Orders of the Governing Authorities of the City of Pearl, Mississippi on this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on this the 3rd day of March, 2020.

ATTEST AND CERTIFY:

CITY CLERK, KELLY SCOUTEN

SEAL