

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 APRIL 6, 2021, AT 6:00 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 6:00 p.m.

Roll call indicated the following Aldermen present:

Alderman McHenry
Alderman Lockett
Alderman Sartor
Alderman Steverson
Alderman Thompson
Alderman Gill

Alderman Foy was absent from the meeting.

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

PRAYER

The meeting was opened with prayer by Alderman Lockett.

Alderman Sartor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- **Present the Life Saving Award to Officer Jeannie Easterling.**

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon Motion by Alderman Gill and seconded by Alderman Steverson, 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, March 16, 2021.
2. Approval of the claims docket for the period of March 16, 2021 to April 6, 2021, in the amount of \$1,897,554.23, in paid claims \$314,919.86, in unpaid claims and \$1,027,675.46, 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.
4. Approval of Applications:
LESLIE MCMILLIAN-WATER
JAY MEYER-WATER(WELLS)
JENNIFER KELLY-CITY CLERK
RONALD HOPSON-PD (RESERVES)
JAMES GRANTHAM-PD
5. Authorization to Travel: BRANDY PEPPER, HEATHER VAUGHN, TAYLOR AMBROSE, DUSTIN JONES, AMANDA THOMASSON-4/19/21-4/20/21 (PEARL MS) \$1200.00
BREANNA JACKSON, AVA HOEY, & AMANDA THOMASSON- 4/8/21 (PEARL MS) \$300.00
RICHARD LENTS 4/27/21-4/28/21 (PEARL MS) NO COST
KIMBERLEIGH TURNER- 4/11/21-4/16/21 (NASHVILLE, TN) \$1,546.00
JOHN CHALK & JOHN BURT 8/8/21-8/13/21 (WASHINGTON, DC) \$3,495.37
6. Approval of Merit Increases:
WILLIAM PEARSON- PUBLIC WORKS
7. Order to approve and authorize payment to Spencer Ready Mix, in the amount of \$7,257.50 for concrete for the emergency repairs to the parking lot and driveway at Central Fire Station.
8. Order to accept the quote from Hutton Homes, Inc. in the amount of \$29,760.00 for the repairs/remodel to the restrooms at Fire Station #3. (quotes obtained)
9. Order to approve and authorize the purchase of (5) five each of coat and pant liners for Turn-Out Gear from NAFECO in the amount of \$12,460.00. (state contract#8200055342)
10. Order to approve and authorize the Memorandum of Agreement by and between, Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics, HIDTA and the Pearl Police Department and to authorize Chief Scott to sign all related documents.
11. [Moved to General Business]
12. Order to approve and authorize payment to Equipment Inc., in the amount of \$5,500.00 for the rental of one (1) Doosan DX255LC. (3/25/21 – 4/21/21)
13. Order to approve and authorize payment to People Ready, in the amount of \$30,939.71, for temporary employee labor.

14. Order to approve and authorize the purchase of (12) twelve, 55 gallon drums of CSI 4-4 (mosquito spray) from Solutions Pest & Lawn in the amount of \$17,361.96. (quotes obtained)
15. Order to approve and authorize payment to Water Company of America – ISI Water Company in the amount of \$8,484.04 for the review of unbilled or misbilled water and sewer charges from 11/1/20 to 1/31/21.
16. Order to approve the Professional Services Agreement by and between the City of Pearl and Benchmark Engineering & Surveyors, LLC for the City of Pearl Sanitary Sewer Evaluation and to authorize Mayor Windham to sign all related documents. (EPA Grant)
17. Order to approve and authorize payment to Pickering Firm, Inc. in the amount of \$7,070.16 for engineering services for US 80 Traffic Signal Upgrade.
18. Order to adopt a Resolution of Intent declaring the intention to issue general obligation bonds of the City in a principal amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 for the purpose of constructing, improving or paving streets, to include signage, sidewalks, parkways, driveways, or public parking facilities, and to purchase land therefor; and constructing bridges and culverts; directing the publication of said Resolution of Intent and for related purposes.
19. Order to approve and authorize payment to Barnard & Sons Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$429,765.66, for Parks and Recreation Baseball & Softball Fields.
20. Order to approve and authorize the purchase of Banol, Stressguard and Indemnify fertilizers and an Anderson rotary spreader from GreenPoint Ag., in the amount of \$5,574.20.
21. Order to approve the Release in Full to Entergy Mississippi, LLC and Entergy Services, LLC, for damages to the Trustmark Park parking lot and to accept \$2,500.00 for said damages and to authorize Mayor Windham to sign all related documents.
22. Order to set public hearing for May 4, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. to consider request by Otis “Scooter” Myers for a dimensional variance to allow him to build a 2,400 sq. ft. metal shop on his property located at 321 Longwood Ct.
23. Order to set public hearing for May 4, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. to consider request by Greg Thibodeaux for a conditional use to operate a mobile automotive center from the building located at 2610-2612 Highway 80 E.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Determine whether or not that certain parcel of real property owned by Edna Simpson, and located at 4342 Autry St., Pearl, Rankin County, Mississippi 39208 (Parcel No. F09C000003 00040; PPIN No. 015638) 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 24 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Pearl, Mississippi and Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as Amended.

Motion was made by Alderman Thompson and seconded by Alderman Sartor to accept the Community Development Director's recommendation and continue this hearing until June 1, 2021. The following members of the Board of Aldermen voted in favor of the Motion which became the Order of the Board: Alderman McHenry, Alderman Steverson, Alderman Gill, Alderman Sartor, Alderman Luckett and Alderman Thompson.

2. Determine whether or not that certain parcel of real property owned by Robert L. Beacham, and located at 109 Mack Willie Rd, Pearl, Rankin County, Mississippi 39208 (Parcel No. G08J000013 00000; PPIN No. 018769) 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 24 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Pearl, Mississippi and Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as Amended.

Robert Beacham, was served with notice of the public hearing as required by law.

Community Development Director, Brad Robertson informed the Mayor and Board that the property owner had failed to keep 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.

Robert Beacham appeared at the hearing.

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 owned by Robert L. Beacham, and located at 109 Mack Willie Rd, Pearl, Rankin County, Mississippi 39208 (Parcel No. G08J000013 00000; PPIN No. 018769) 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 by obtaining the necessary permits and by performing significant progress 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 dwelling, 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 will also 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.

7) That the property owner shall remove all structures and any and all other debris and or trash on the property, on or before, May 20, 2021.

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

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Order to approve and authorize the purchase of (4) four office chairs for dispatch from Business Furniture Solutions in the amount of \$6,196.00.00. (quotes obtained)

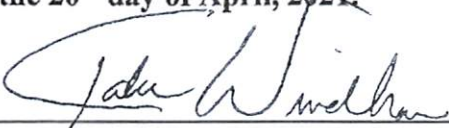
Motion was made by Alderman McHenry and seconded by Alderman Sartor to approve and authorize the purchase of (4) four office chairs for dispatch from Business Furniture Solutions in the amount of \$6,196.00.00; The following members of the Board of Aldermen voted in favor of the Motion which became the Order of the Board: Alderman Gill, Alderman Luckett, Alderman Thompson, Alderman McHenry, Alderman Sartor and Alderman Steverson.

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

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

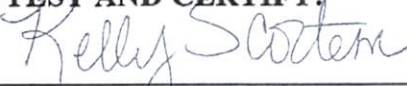
The foregoing were adopted as, and became, the Resolutions and Orders of the Governing Authorities of the City of Pearl, Mississippi on this the 6th day of April, 2021.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on this the 20th day of April, 2021.



JAKE WINDHAM, MAYOR

ATTEST AND CERTIFY:



CITY CLERK, KELLY SCOUTEN

