



Mayor Depreo	
Councilmember Maher	At-Large
Councilmember Finley	Ward 1
Councilmember Moran	Ward 2
Councilmember Sheppard	Ward 3
Councilmember Clark	Ward 4

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Tuesday, March 15, 2022**  
**6:00 PM CST**  
Council Chambers, City Hall

**Call to Order.**

Mayor Depreo called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Invocation -Councilmember Sheppard

Pledge of Allegiance - Boy Scout Troop 210 presented the Colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

**PRESENT**

Mayor Nancy Depreo

Councilmember-At-Large Gerard Maher

Ward 1 Shane Finley - via teleconference

Ward 3 Ricky Sheppard

Ward 4 Charles Clark

**ABSENT**

Ward 2 Alan Moran

**Confirm or Adjust Agenda Order**

Motion made by Mayor Depreo, Seconded by Councilmember-At-Large Maher to amend and approve the agenda adding items 17a. 2022-113 and 17b. 114 to the Consent Agenda.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 3 Sheppard, Ward 4 Clark

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Presentation Agenda.**

**Council Comments.**

1. Proclamation Honoring Robert F. Walker - United States Marine, World War II Veteran (Iwo Jima Survivor) and Purple Heart Recipient Mayor Depreo and Council presented the 101 year old resident with a Proclamation honoring his accomplishments, service and sacrifice for our Country. Congressman Palazzo's representative also in attendance presented Mr. Walker with a flag that had once flown over the White House and a honor certificate.
2. The next Regular Meeting of the City Council will be held April 5, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at Diamondhead City Hall.
3. The 2nd Annual Dog Park Day will held Saturday, April 9th from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the south side.
4. Celebration commemorating the City of Diamondhead 10th Anniversary of Incorporation will be held at City Hall on Tuesday, April 26th at 5:30 p.m.

5. Jennifer Lay - Mississippi Main Street
6. Natalie Guess - Gulf Blue Navigator Program.

City Manager's Report.

1. E. Aloha Drive Improvements – The contractor started working on Monday for the first phase of the E. Aloha Drive improvements. This has part of the road closed by Rouses. Residents will have access to all businesses during this 75-day construction period, but there will be some detours and road closures in sections of the road. Please drive safe in this area and be patient while we work on this improvement to our commercial district.
2. NRCS Grant – I am asking for authorization to submit a request for funding from the National Resources Conservation Service for Emergency Water Projects for Kolo Ct and Alkii Way. This is a recommendation from Pickering Engineering and is the same funding source the city used for the recent Alkii Way Project.
3. Jani-King – I am asking for authorization to amend our current agreement with Jani-King to add the cleaning of the activity center, bathrooms and hallways to our regular cleaning schedule. This part of the building was not on regular cleaning and is being used more often. We need to make sure it is clean for public use.
4. Forfeited Tax Land – The Secretary of State has agreed to donate several parcels to city to be used as permanent greenspace and drainage. I am asking the council to accept this land from the Secretary of State.
5. Insurance Renewal – Our insurance agent presented our renewal at the last council meeting. Tonight, we are asking for authorization to renew our commercial coverage based on his presentation.
6. Compton Engineer – I am asking for authorization to sign a new work assignment with Compton Engineer for Anahola Place drainage project. This is one of the four projects listed in our GOMESA grant application, and it is the location where several homes flooded during Tropical Storm Claudette. This will have the engineer review the area and make recommendations to improve drainage. I provided the council with a map showing the area to be included in the review.
7. HVAC System in City Hall Administrative Hallway – I am asking for authorization to replace the HVAC system in the administrative hallway in City Hall. We had 2 companies come out and provide quotes to repair. Neither would attempt to repair and recommended a complete replacement. At this time, the heater is not working, and the AC is on its last leg. We received 2 quotes to replace the HVAC system, and I would like to accept the low quote to replace this unit.
8. Cruisin The Coast – With the passing of Mark Duffy, the city needs to establish a steering committee to help plan our blessing of the classics event. We will seek volunteers from our community to get involved in the planning for this October event.
9. 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks – Upon direction from council, I have met with the Lazy Gator and others about planning a fireworks show in Diamondhead to celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. After meeting with the fireworks company, they recommend that we do not try to partner with the community from Bay St. Louis since it is about 1 mile from our marina. Our residents will not get a good view of the fireworks from that distance. We discuss shooting the fireworks from land on the vacant land we use for festivals. The cost is \$9K for a 20-minute, commercial class C show. The plan would be to have this on Saturday, July 2 at 9pm. The company is insured and will name the City as additional insured on their policy. My thoughts would be to have a band with food trucks in that area and

enjoy the fireworks at 9pm. Is this something that the council would like me to move forward to get a contract from the vendor?

**Public Comments on Agenda Items.**

Bob Pineau - addressed the Council regarding the purchase and proposed use of Glenn Eagle Lot #88.

**Policy Agenda.**

**Minutes:**

1. Motion to approve the March 2, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Motion made by Ward 3 Sheppard, Seconded by Ward 4 Clark to approve the March 2, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 3 Sheppard, Ward 4 Clark

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Resolutions:**

2. **2022-105:** Motion to adopt Resolution 2022-024 thereby abandoning a 5' drainage/utility easement on each side of the common property line between Lots 12 and 13, Diamondhead Phase 2, Unit 10, Block 3. The physical address is 6424 Iona Street; parcel numbers are 067N-2-35-082.000 and 067N-2-35-083.000. (Pucheu)

Motion made by Ward 4 Clark, Seconded by Ward 1 Finley to adopt Resolution 2022-024 thereby abandoning a 5' drainage/utility easement on each side of the common property line between Lots 12 and 13, Diamondhead Phase 2, Unit 10, Block 3. The physical address is 6424 Iona Street; parcel numbers are 067N-2-35-082.000 and 067N-2-35-083.000. (Pucheu)

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 3 Sheppard, Ward 4 Clark

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

3. **2022-106:** Motion to adopt Resolution 202-025 thereby abandoning a 5' drainage/utility easement on each side of the common property line between Lots 20 and 17, lots 21 and 17, and lots 21 and 16, Diamondhead Phase 2, Unit 5, Block 6. The physical address is 6868 Awini Court. Parcel numbers are 131B-0-01-162.000 and 131B-0-01-168.000. (Ginn)

Motion made by Ward 4 Clark, Seconded by Councilmember-At-Large Maher to adopt Resolution 202-025 thereby abandoning a 5' drainage/utility easement on each side of the common property line between Lots 20 and 17, lots 21 and 17, and lots 21 and 16, Diamondhead Phase 2, Unit 5, Block 6. The physical address is 6868 Awini Court. Parcel numbers are 131B-0-01-162.000 and 131B-0-01-168.000. (Ginn)

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 3 Sheppard, Ward 4 Clark

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

4. **2022-110:** Motion to adopt Resolution 2022-026 thereby ratifying/authorizing the submittal to National Resources Conservation Service for Emergency Water Project funding request for Kolo Court and Alkii Way, pledging local match funding and for other related matters.

Motion made by Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Seconded by Ward 3 Sheppard to adopt Resolution 2022-026 thereby ratifying/authorizing the submittal to National Resources Conservation Service for Emergency Water Project funding request for Kolo Court and Alkii Way, pledging local match funding and for other related matters.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 3 Sheppard, Ward 4 Clark

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Motion made by Ward 3 Sheppard, Seconded by Councilmember-At-Large Maher to move item 17. b. 2022-114 from Consent Agenda to Action Agenda.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 3 Sheppard

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Consent Agenda:**

Motion made by Ward 3 Sheppard, Seconded by Councilmember-At-Large Maher to approve Consent Agenda Items 5-17a by consent.

5. **2022-096:** Motion to authorize the Administration to prepare and submit the funding activation request for the East Aloha Improvements Phase 2 (MDOT).
6. **2022-097:** Motion to authorize travel to Hattiesburg on April 27 - 28, 2022 for Michael Reso- City Manager, and Pat Rich- Planning & Zoning Administrator, to attend the Mississippi Economic Development Council Conference.
7. **2022-099:** Motion to approve an amendment to the agreement with Jani-King adding the Activity Center with a monthly increase of in the amount of \$699.00 resulting in a new monthly contract amount of \$2,799.00.
8. **2022-100:** Motion to approve Budget Adjustments 2022-24.
9. **2022-101:** Motion to accept for use as permanent greenspace and drainage purposes real property from the State of Mississippi Transfer of Forfeited Tax Land Patent No's 94287-94299.
10. **2022-102:** Motion to approve payments to Digital Engineering in the amount of \$2,772.50 for professional services relating to the GIS maintenance, and in the amount of \$525.00 for professional services relating to Beaux Vue Ph. 2 Drainage Improvements.
11. **2022-103:** Motion to approve payments to Covington Civil & Environmental, LLC in the amount of \$2,200.00 for Kome Dr. Ditch Parcel Survey, \$2,500.00 8918 Hanalei Cir. Parcel Survey.
12. **2022-104:** Motion to approve disbursement of unclaimed funds in the amount of \$1,000 to the State of Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts representing owed to Kasey Carper relating to municipal court matter T140764.
13. **2022-107:** Motion committing support to the University of Southern Mississippi's proposal to Economic Development Administration titled *Gulf Blue Initiative: Driving Sustainability through Regional Economic Growth*.

14. **2022-108:** Motion to authorize the City Manager to enter into Partner Agreement with the Gulf Blue Navigator Program to utilize City of Diamondhead name and logo for support and promotion to include website, marketing presentations, printed materials and social media platforms.
15. **2022-109:** Motion to renew commercial property insurance with Velocity with \$50,000 added expense coverage, Equipment Floater with Markel American Insurance, Equipment Breakdown with Hartford Steam Boiler Insurance, General Liability and Public Officials Liability with Travelers/Charter Oak Insurance, Automobile Insurance with Travelers Indemnity Company, and Cyber Crime with Travelers Casualty & Surety Company with all lines written through BXS Insurance for a total annual premium of \$99,166.
16. **2022-111:** Motion to approve Master Service Agreement Work Assignment with Compton Engineering in the amount of \$27,500 for Anahola Place/Hana Place Drainage Project.
17. **2022-112:** Motion to accept and award the low quote received from Mechanical Services, LLC in the amount of \$35,000 for City Hall HVAC replacement.
- 17 a. **2022-113:** Motion to authorize the administration to submit letter to the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency regarding the status of Hurricane Zeta Cat A and CatZ reimbursements.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 3 Sheppard

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

17. b. **2022-114:** Motion made by Ward 1 Finley, Seconded by Councilmember-At-Large Maher to purchase real property located on Crooked Stick Drive (Lot #88) from Glenn Eagle Development, LLC in the amount of \$38,000 for drainage access to the proposed 25-acre retention pond site and authorize the City Manager to effectuate the purchase.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 4 Clark. Voting Nay: Ward 3 Sheppard

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Action Agenda.**

18. **2022-098:** Motion to create and make appointments to the Blessing of Classics Steering Committee.

Motion made by Ward 3 Sheppard, Seconded by Ward 4 Clark to create the Blessing of Classics Steering Committee.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 3 Sheppard, Ward 4 Clark

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

19. **2022-115:** Motion to approve the Final Plat of Serenity Oaks Condominiums by MDGA, LLC.

Motion made by Ward 3 Sheppard, Seconded by Mayor Depreo to approve the Final Plat of Serenity Oaks Condominiums by MDGA, LLC.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 3 Sheppard, Ward 4 Clark

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Routine Agenda.**

**Claims Payable**

20. Motion to approve the Docket of Claims (Claims DKT159382-DKT159414) in the amount of \$227,842.10.

Motion made by Ward 4 Clark, Seconded by Ward 3 Sheppard to approve the Docket of Claims (Claims DKT159382-DKT159414) in the amount of \$227,842.10.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 3 Sheppard, Ward 4 Clark

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Department Reports**

- a. Motion made by Ward 3 Sheppard, Seconded by At-Large Maher to accept February 2022 Department Reports as follows:

Building Department  
Code Enforcement  
Police Department  
Privilege Licensing

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 3 Sheppard, Ward 4 Clark

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- b. Motion to accept the February 2022 Financial Reports.

Motion made by Ward 4 Clark, Seconded by Ward 3 Sheppard to accept February 2022 Financials.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 3 Sheppard, Ward 4 Clark

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items.**

Russell Frank addressed the Council regarding an ordinance that would require mobile/modular home to be placed facing the roadway.

**Adjourn/Recess.**


AT 6:52 p.m. and with no further business to come before the Council, motion made by Ward 4 Clark, Seconded by Ward 3 Sheppard to adjourn.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 3 Sheppard, Ward 4 Clark

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

  
Nancy Depreo  
Mayor



  
Jeannie Klein  
City Clerk