



BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

January 02, 2024

6:00 PM

Board Room • 119 W 8th Ave, Petal MS

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENT

Mayor Tony Ducker
Alderman Drew Brickson
Alderman Craig Bullock
Alderman Mike Lott
Alderman Blake Nobles
Alderman Gerald Steele
Alderman Craig Strickland

Invocation was offered by Mike Lott.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ADOPT AGENDA

Motion made by Alderman Nobles, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland

CONSENT AGENDA

- Minutes - Regular Meeting 12/05/2023
- Minutes - Regular Meeting 12/19/2023
- Proofs of Publication
 - Final Payment - Soccer Fields
 - Public Hearing - 1703 Carterville Rd
- Resignation of Chris Shows effective Jan. 9, 2024.
- Resignation of Alderman Steve Stringer effective January 2, 2024

Motion to accept items on Consent Agenda.

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Steele.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland

PUBLIC COMMENT

PROCLAMATIONS & RESOLUTIONS

BIDS — QUOTES

OLD BUSINESS

GENERAL BUSINESS

Request to ratify and approve emergency declaration regarding sewer on Panther Dr. (City Clerk)

Motion made by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland

Request to approve the docket of claims for the month of December 2023. (City Clerk)

Exhibit "A"

Docket

Motion made by Alderman Brickson, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland

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SEMINARS & TRAVEL

Request for Amy Heath to attend MACE One Day Educational Conference in Meridian, MS on 2/16/2024. Total Cost: \$332.00 (A Heath)

Motion made by Alderman Brickson, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland

Request for Bartley Faulkner to attend Truck Company Ops at the State Fire Academy on January 22-25, 2024. Total cost: \$425.00 (Chief Hendry)

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland

ORDERS & ORDINANCES

Request to adopt order setting the date for a Special Election. (City Clerk)

Exhibit "B"

Order

Motion made by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Bullock.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland

Request to adopt order promoting Emily Holder to 1st Class Patrol at a rate of \$18.32 per hour effective Dec. 27, 2023. (Chief Hiatt)

Order

Whereas the Mayor and Board of Aldermen
Of the City of Petal deem it necessary to
Promote Officer Emily Holder

It is hereby ordered that Emily Holder
Be promoted to 1st Class Patrol at a
Rate of \$18.32 per hour effective
December 27, 2023

So ordered this the 2nd day of January 2024

Motion made by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland

Request to adopt order hiring Tyler Avera part time in the Recreation Dept (Athletics) at a rate of \$12.50 per hour effective Jan 3, 2024. (J Edwards)

Order

Whereas the Mayor and Board of Aldermen
Of the City of Petal deem it necessary to
Hire a part time assistant in Athletics

It is hereby ordered that Tyler Avera
Be hired part time in the Recreation Dept
at a rate of \$12.50 per hour effective
January 3, 2024

So ordered this the 2nd day of January 2024

Motion made by Alderman Brickson, Seconded by Alderman Bullock.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland

MAYOR'S REPORT

Request to enter into Executive Session.

Motion to clear the room to determine the need for Executive Session.

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland

Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue.

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland

Motion to adjourn Executive Session.

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland

No official action was taken in Executive Session.

CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE, COMMISSION AND BOARD MATTERS

LEGAL

ADJOURN

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Strickland

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland



Mayor Tony Ducker

Melissa Martin

Melissa Martin, City Clerk

(Lynn) Accounts Payable Status Report

Table with columns: Org Name & Lookup, Invoice Date, Invoice Number, A/P Due Date, A/P Description, Original A/P Owed, Balance Due. Includes entries for ACE HARDWARE, ALL PRO DISPOSAL, AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, AREA DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP, AT&T, BARDING GENERATOR, BEESON, BILL'S PLUMBING CO., BLACKWELL, BROOKS, BRIDGET, CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC., CHASE'S TIRE & AUTO, CINTAS, etc.

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ORDER

Ordered by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi that a special election shall be held within the City of Petal, Mississippi for the election of an Alderman Ward 2; and

WHEREAS, a vacancy has been declared on the Board of Aldermen due to the resignation of Steve Stringer, Alderman Ward 2 of the City of Petal, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the unexpired portion of the term of Steve Stringer's office exceeds six months;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI, AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT:

SO ORDERED, that a special election is hereby called on Tuesday, February 6, 2024, within the City of Petal, Mississippi for the purpose of electing an Alderman Ward 2 for the City of Petal, Mississippi, and

SO ORDERED, at the said special election that all qualified electors in Ward 2 of this City are entitled to vote in the said special election, and

SO ORDERED, the said special election will be held at the following polling place within the City of Petal, Mississippi, as follows, to-wit:

Calvary Precinct
1123 Highway 42 E

The polls of said election will be open at the hour of 7:00 o'clock in the morning and will be kept open until the hour of 7:00 o'clock in the evening of the aforesaid date and the said election shall be held and conducted, as far as practicable, in accordance with laws regulating special elections in the State of Mississippi and the City of Petal, Mississippi; and

SO, ORDERED that the City Clerk shall cause notice of said election to be published not less than (30) thirty days prior to such election.

SO ORDERED that the Clerk of said City of Petal, Mississippi shall give not less than (30) thirty days notice of said election by publication thereof in a newspaper having a general circulation in the City of Petal, Mississippi and by posting a true and correct copy thereof in the public area of City Hall, 119 W 8th Ave, Petal, MS. The said notice shall be published once each week for (3) three consecutive weeks. The said notice shall be in substantially the following form to wit:

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION FOR ALDERMAN WARD 2
CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of Ward 2 in The City of Petal, Mississippi that a special election will be held in the said City of Petal, Mississippi on Tuesday, February 6, 2024 for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the said City the election of an Alderman Ward 2 of the said City of Petal, Mississippi

The said special election will be held at the following polling place within the City of Petal, Mississippi, as follows, to-wit:

Calvary Baptist Church
1123 Highway 42

The polls of said election will be open at the hour of 7:00 o'clock in the morning and will be kept open until the hour of 7:00 o'clock in the evening of the aforesaid date and the said election shall be held and conducted, as far as practicable, in accordance with laws regulating special elections in the State of Mississippi and the City of Petal, Mississippi.

By Order of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, this the 2nd day of January 2024

SO, ORDERED that the said special election shall be held and conducted by the Election Commission within and for the City of Petal, Mississippi, and shall be conducted as far as practicable in accordance with the laws regulating special elections in the State of Mississippi, and in the City of Petal, Mississippi. When the said Election Commissioners shall have received the returns of said election and ascertained the results thereof, they shall after having canvassed the same, forthwith make return thereof to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen a report setting forth their actions in the holding of said elections and the results thereof.

SO, ORDERED the City of Petal has heretofore designated as Election Commissioners for the City of Petal, Mississippi, the following: Noel Mann, Lucretia "Sug" Jenkins and Lonja Bramlett and their appointment and tenure of office is hereby ratified, approved, and confirmed for the purpose of holding this election.

SO, ORDERED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi on this the 2nd day of January 2024.


Mayor Tony Ducker


Melissa Martin, City Clerk

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EXHIBIT "B"