Public Hearing April 6, 2021 5:30 P M

Mayor Rex Smith opened with the pledge of allegiance and Alderman Clark led with a prayer.

A duly noticed Public Hearing was held in the board room at Saltillo City Hall on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 5:30 P.M. for a special exception request to build a storage building on land owned by Bobby Williams.

Present for the hearing were Mayor Rex Smith, Terry Glidewell, Craig Sanders, Scottie Clark, Copey Grantham, Donald Cullum, Deputy City Clerk Monica Porterfield, City Attorney Chris Evans, Brian Grissom, William Moore, Dinky Crowder, Bobby Williams, Melinda Clark, Jeana Bell, Richard Herring, Rhonda Herring, Mark Nowell, James McCauley and Karma Brown.

Alderman Scottie Clark announced that he will recuse himself from the discussion and vote when this issue is taken up by the board during an official meeting. However, Mr. Clark did exercise his right to speak at the public hearing in he personal capacity as a resident of the city and an adjoining property owner. This issue was discussed by the city attorney with state ethics commission which advised that Mr. Clark speaking in this capacity would be permissible.

Brian Grissom and Bobby Williams were both sworn in. Mr. Williams is asking that a portable storage building be placed on his property on Second Ave. Grissom is recommending that the board not allowed this request due to space, utility line, and space between businesses. Others speaking against the request were James McCauley, Jeana Bell and Scottie Clark. Scottie Clark wants to maintain historic district and wants to further growing downtown appearance.

Mr. Williams expressed that he has done more for the city than many others present and that he was willing to sell the property to Scottie Clark. Mr. Brian Morgan sent a text to also express his opposition to the request.

Hearing no other comments, the public hearing was adjourned.

The Mayor then moved into the special called meeting.

Mayor Rex Smith

ATTEST: Deputy City Clerk