

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE CITY OF SALTILLO, MISSISSIPPI WHO MET IN A REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON MARCH 7, 2023 AT THE CITY HALL BOARD ROOM AT 6:00 P.M.

Be it remembered that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Saltillo, Mississippi met in a regular board meeting held on Tuesday March 7, 2023 at the City Hall Board Room at 6:00 P.M. and the following officials were present to wit:

Mayor	Copey Grantham
Aldermen	Scottie Clark
	Terry Glidewell
	Brian Morgan
	Craig Sanders
	Sonya Hill Witcher
City Clerk	Mary Parker
City Attorney	Chris Evans

Mayor Copey Grantham opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and Ron Cottom led with a prayer.

Thereupon the Mayor declared a legal quorum present and the meeting was opened for the following business:

RE: APPROVE THE AGENDA

On the motion of Scottie Clark, seconded by Brian Morgan, and by an affirmative vote of all present to approve the agenda for the March 7, 2023 meeting, as presented.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: WATER BILL PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS – JOSEPH BARRETT

On the motion of Craig Sanders, seconded by Sonya Witcher, and by an affirmative vote of all present to allow Joseph Barrett to make payment arrangements for a high water bill. He owes a balance of \$1,200.28 of a high bill of \$1400.28. He will pay \$100.00 per month plus his regular billed water usage for the month. Failure to make the payments before the 15th of the month will result in late charges being added to the bill and if cut off for non-payment his bill will be due in full before service can be restored. He will sign an agreement with the water department.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: 21-19-11 HEARING FOR PROPERTY ON CORNER OF MOBILE & CARTWRIGHT

On the motion of Brian Morgan, seconded by Scottie Clark, and by an affirmative vote of all present to find that the house and property located on the corner of Mobile and Cartwright is a menace to the public health and safety of the community and is hereby adjudicated to be in violation of Miss Code Ann. § 21-19-11 (1972). This hearing was duly noticed and conducted in accordance with state law. The property owner was present at the hearing and was in agreement with the finding, without objection. The city will allow City Manager Brian Grissom approximately thirty (30) days to work with the property owner in an attempt to reach an agreement on cleaning the property. If the property is not timely cleaned by the owner, then the city may clean the property in accordance with state law and assess the actual costs and possible penalty as a lien against the property.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: FENCE QUOTES – CITY PARK

Brian Grissom received quotes from Ivy Fence and Tupelo Fence to replace the damaged fence behind the community center and along the city park. The quotes were for both chain link and wood. No action taken.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: JASON WALLACE – ZONING REQUEST

On the motion of Craig Sanders, seconded by Terry Glidewell, and by an affirmative vote of all present to approve the variance request from Jason Wallace to raise the maximum lot density of 6 units per acre to 12 units per acre for a proposed apartment complex to be located adjacent to 123 Industrial Park Road, Saltillo.. The site is approximately 7 acres in size and the parcel ID is 0595-30-021-04. The city maintains full site approval authority over the project in accordance with the city zoning ordinance.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: VEHICLE LEASE PROGRAM

Brian Grissom presented the board with lease proposals for the city's vehicles. No action taken.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: HOOKER CONSTRUCTION PAYMENT REQUEST #2

On the motion of Brian Morgan, seconded by Scottie Clark, and by an affirmative vote of all present to pay invoice #2 for Hooker Construction for \$81,282.00 for construction of concessions and bathrooms at Wesson Park. The payment will be made with the balance of the 2021 GO bond of \$55,616.64 and the remainder out of reserves for \$25,665.36, which may be reimbursed later with ARPA funds. This project was previously awarded under state purchasing laws after competitive bids were solicited.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: FIRE DEPT MONTHLY UPDATE.

Fire Chief Mark Nowell informed the board that Emergency Equipment Professionals produces a yearly calendar and has chosen a picture of our new fire truck to be on the calendar. He also reported the department had 30 incidents during the month of February. 1 building fire, 1 brush fire, 16 EMS calls, 2 false alarms and 4 public assistants. No action taken.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: PARK AND REC MONTHLY UPDATE

Park Director Kevin White gave an update on the tournaments that have been held February 25 and March 4 and 5, 2023. There will be a coaches meeting March 9, 2023 to inform the coaches what to expect from the park and rec department in the future. They have over 400 ball registrations. No action taken.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: BALL TOURNAMENT CONTRACT

On the motion of Craig Sanders, seconded by Scottie Clark, and by an affirmative vote of all present to approve a contract for ball future tournaments in which the city will receive one-half (½) of gross collections from the gate and will receive 100% of all concession sales. The city will operate the concessions with city contract labor. The city will provide one facility worker to be on the premises during the tournament. The tournament director will be responsible for paying all other expenses related to the tournament.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: POLICE DEPT. MONTHLY REPORT

Chief Haynes reported the department had 290 calls. Reports taken: 65, arrests: 4, felony arrests: 8, domestic violence reports: 2, vehicle accidents: 2 and issued: 107 citations. No action taken.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE

Public works cleaned trash from along city streets and picked up limbs. Water worked on getting their samples, and sewer fixed 4 breaks on 2nd street. No action taken.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: ESI – 2ND STREET

On the motion of Brain Morgan, seconded by Terry Glidewell, and by an affirmative vote of all present to authorize ESI to do the engineering (plans and specs) and advertise for competitive bids to line the sewer pipes on 2nd for approximately \$100,000. Once competitive bids are received under state purchasing laws, this matter will be brought back before the board for consideration.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: DABBS - ADVERTISE FOR SCENIC COVE

On the motion of Scottie Clark, seconded by Craig Sanders, and by an affirmative vote of all present to grant permission to Dabbs Corporation engineering to advertise for bids to resurface Scenic Cove.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: MINUTES FEB. 21,24,27 AND 28TH AND PUBLIC HEARING FEB. 21, 2023

On the motion of Craig Sanders, seconded by Scottie Clark, and by an affirmative vote of all present to approve the minutes for February 21st 2023, Special Board Meetings February 21, 24, 27, and 28th and Public Hearing February 21, 2023, as recorded.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: CLAIMS DOCKET PAID AND UNPAID 69614- 69671


On the motion of Scottie Clark, seconded by Terry Glidewell, and by an affirmative vote of all present to approve the claims docket paid and unpaid 69614 – 69671, as presented.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.

RE: ADJOURN

On the motion of Terry Glidewell, seconded by Brian Morgan, and by an affirmative vote of all present to adjourn the regular board meeting, March 7, 2023 at 6:25 p.m.

Ordered this the 7th day of March, 2023.



Mayor Copey Grantham



City Clerk Mary Parker