

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen met on February 1, 2022, at 5:00 P.M., this being the regular recessed meeting time. Mayor Greg Graves called the meeting to order and the following Aldermen were present: Dear, Hale, Moore, Simpson and Tanksley. Also present were: Katie Harbin, City Clerk; Ginger Miller, City Attorney; Richard Chandler, Police Chief; Matt Defore, Assistant Police Chief; Ethan Foresman, Fire Chief; Chantay Rhone, FLSE/PIO, Brevin Holden, Fire Inspector; Jim Huestis, Building Official; Francis Johnson, Deputy City Clerk; Jeff Rich, Public Works Director; Michael Cathey, and Tom Skelton.

Mayor Graves gave the invocation.

Approve to replace Animal Shelter heating

Motion was made by Alderman Simpson, seconded by Alderman Moore, to approve the quote from Dowdle and Powell Heating and Air, LLC to repair the heat in the Animal Shelter in the amount of \$4,000, with the City and County equally splitting the cost. All voting yea, motion carried

Department Head Reports

Public Works Director Jeff Rich went over his department's report

Alderman Dear asked if everything went good with the Country Club, Alderman Dear stated he hasn't heard anything.

Jeff Rich answered yes it went good, haven't gotten any calls.

Mayor Graves stated we still have to do some reporting on the sewer.

Building Official advised that he is working with the vape shop on their sign that isn't in compliance.

Fire Chief Foresman and Police Chief Chandler had nothing extra to report.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Graves went over each consent agenda item, numbers 5-20, asked if anyone had any questions.

Approve Minutes from the Regular Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting on January 18, 2022

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to approve the minutes from the regular Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting on January 18, 2022. All voting yea, motion carried

Approve Docket of Claims numbers: 22781 - 22970 for the total of \$1,859,328.36

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to approve Docket of Claim numbers 22781 - 22970 for a total of \$1,859,328.36. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize Kristin Brooks to attend the Dispatch Training Conference in Nashville, TN on April 27 – 29, 2022, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to authorize Kristin Brooks to attend the Dispatch Training Conference in Nashville, TN on April 27-29, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to attend the CMO Elective Evening Class on March 10, 2022 in Oxford, MS, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to authorize the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to attend the CMO Elective Evening Class on March 10, 2022 in Oxford, MS, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize Mayor Graves, Board of Aldermen, City Attorney, City Clerk, and Deputy City Clerk, to attend the Annual MML Conference in Biloxi, MS on June 26 – 30, 2022, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to authorize Mayor Graves, Board of Aldermen, City Attorney, City Clerk, and Deputy City Clerk to attend the Annual MML Conference in Biloxi, MS on June 26 – 30, 2022, also authorize to pay travel expenses. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize the Court Clerk, to attend the Annual Municipal Court Clerk Conference in Biloxi, MS on June 26 – 29, 2022, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to authorize the Court Clerk to attend the Annual Court Clerk Conference in Biloxi, MS June 26 – 29, 2022, also authorize to pay travel expenses. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize Police Officer Maze to attend the DARE Training Conference, MS on July 20 - 22, 2022 in Biloxi, MS, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to authorize Police Officer Maze to attend the DARE Training Conference in Biloxi, MS on July 20 – 22, 2022, also authorize to pay travel expenses. All voting yea, motion carried

Authorize to hire Myah Davis as a concession worker in the Parks Department

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to authorize to hire Myah Davis as a concession worker in the Parks Department. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to hire Lilia Flores-Olvera as a concession worker in the Parks Department

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to authorize to hire Lilia Flores-Olvera as a concession worker in the Parks Department. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to hire Amarion Grant as a concession worker in the Parks Department

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to authorize to hire Amarion Grant as a concession worker in the Parks Department. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to hire A'mya Hoskins as a concession worker in the Parks Department

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to authorize to hire A'mya Hoskins as a concession worker in the Parks Department. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to hire Kenya Mills as a concession worker in the Parks Department

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to authorize to hire Kenya Mills as a concession worker in the Parks Department. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to hire Joseph Larry as a full time Laborer in the Gas Department of Public Works at a rate of \$13.00 per hour, pending background and drug screening results

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to authorize to hire Joseph Larry as a full time Laborer in the Gas Department of Public Works, at a rate of \$13.00 per hour, pending background and drug screening results. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to increase the fire plug meter deposit to \$1,000.00

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to authorize to increase the fire plug meter deposit to \$1,000.00. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize Police Officer Richard Deleon to use his personal leave time that will be in excess of his annual accrual rate

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to authorize Police Officer Richard Deleon to use his personal leave time that will be in excess of his annual accrual rate. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to remove wall paneling, remove wallpaper, and paint the City Clerks Office, Hallway and Front Office at City Hall

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Moore, to authorize to remove the wall paneling, remove the wallpaper, and paint the City Clerks Office, Hallway and Front Office at City Hall, with Showtime Painting with the quote being \$2,300.00. All voting yea, motion carried.

Mayor's Corner

Grease Traps

Mayor Graves advised the Board that we have met regarding the grease traps and our new treatment plant. Kayes building was built before the grease trap ordinance, we have spoken to Kayes and advised they have to get it fixed. We've also spoken to Molly's and Marathon, to let them know they need to have something in place before our new treatment plant opens up.

Alderman Moore stated he's spoken to Kaye's also. They said the quote came back at \$120,000. He also stated that Michael stated it was ok, what he was doing, but I didn't know about that.

Jeff Rich answered no, it's not. I can't tell you how many times they've filled it up to the manhole. It takes us 4 hours every time to fix it.

Alderman Moore stated that he asked for now, if we could get someone to clean it, he will pay for it.

Jeff Rich stated he won't like that.

Sports Plex

Mayor Graves advised the Board that he met with Rob regarding the upcoming schedules. They have a lot more tournaments scheduled and coming from all around. Double or more tournaments.

Council for Government formation

Mayor Graves advised the Board that Britt is wanting someone from all government organizations to be on this council. They will meet, see what everyone around is doing, stay updated with different things going on.

MDOT Plans

Mayor Graves advised the Board that he spoke with Mitch Turner regarding the traffic for when the construction starts on the Hwy 51 roundabout. He stated that they don't really have anything, they usually let the local organization handle it, but he will get with their traffic engineer on it. I told him we needed a plan, we don't want 18 wheelers, dump trucks, etc, detouring on the small side streets.

Alderman Dear asked so will we close the whole thing?

Mayor Graves stated Kevin said it would be quicker to shut down the whole thing.

Madison Ordinances

Mayor Graves advised the Board that he has asked Ginger to help him by getting Ordinances from Madison regarding rentals. We have to make sure we use the correct legal language.

Mayor Graves advised the Board that we are trying for February 15th to be the official kickoff for the new Board room.

Mayor Graves advise the Board that he has spoken with Kris Robinson about being an interim director to help the Animal Shelter while Courtney is out. I advised her I wasn't sure about pay, we couldn't pay until some money opens up. Cole, Cliff and myself have all previously met with her. She has a great resume, background, and references.

Mayor Graves advised the Cemetery fence project bid opening date is February 25th.

Mayor Graves advised the Board that Cliff with the County is looking at how much it will cost for dog runs. It would be a one time cost, so we think the County would be ok in helping with that.

Adjourn

Motion was made by Alderman Simpson and seconded by Alderman Tanksley, to recess until February 15, 2022. All voting yea, motion carried.

Greg Graves, Mayor

ATTEST:

Katie Harbin –City Clerk