MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF BRANDON, MISSISSIPPI
HELD ON FEBRUARY 21, 2017

The Regular Board Meeting was held in the Brandon City Hall Boardroom, 1000 Municipal Drive, Brandon, Mississippi. The meeting was led by Mayor Butch Lee. Aldermen Christopher, Dobbs, Morris, Williams, Vinson, and Corley were present. Alderman Coker was absent. Alderman Dobbs led the prayer and Alderman Corley led the Pledge of Allegiance. Public Comments/ Recognitions: Dr. Sue Townsend spoke about the upcoming Bond Issue. Mayor Lee presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Ben Warren and Civil Air Patrol.

1. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF FEBRUARY 6, 2017 AND THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF FEBRUARY 8, 2017

Alderman Corley made the motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 6, 2017 and the Special Board Meeting of February 8, 2017, which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Dobbs, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

2. APPROVE REQUEST BY THE RANKIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PROVIDE GRAVEL TO BRANDON HIGH SCHOOL; AND APPOINT KYLE BROWN TO THE MPO TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

Alderman Morris made the motion to approve the request by the Rankin County School District to provide gravel to Brandon High School; and to appoint Kyle Brown to the MPO Technical Committee, in accordance with the memos from the Mayor, which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Vinson, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

3. APPROVE EXPENDITURE IN THE AMOUNT OF $500.00 FOR THE BHS 2017 PROJECT GRADUATION; AND APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH BLACKWOOD ARTIST MANAGEMENT GROUP FOR AN APPEARANCE ON AUGUST 19, 2017

Alderman Vinson made the motion to approve the expenditure in the amount of $500.00 for the BHS 2017 Project Graduation, for the purpose of advertising and to bring into favorable notice of the opportunities and possibilities of the City, first finding that this mode of advertising is in the best interests of the City; and to approve the agreement with Blackwood Artist Management Group for an appearance on August 19, 2017 and to authorize the Mayor to execute the same, in accordance with the memos from the Event Coordinator, which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Morris, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.
4. HIRE JORDAN EVANS AS PATROLMAN EFFECTIVE MAY 14, 2017, AND SET SALARY; TRANSFER KRISTEN MOSELEY FROM FULL-TIME PATROL TO RESERVES EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 20, 2017; APPROVE TRAVEL FOR OFFICER SAM VERSELL TO TRAVEL TO BIRMINGHAM, AL TO ESCORT THE BRANDON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 5TH GRADE CLASS TO THE MCWANE SCIENCE CENTER ON FEBRUARY 24, 2017; AND ACCEPT FORFEITED FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $4,912.00 FROM RANKIN COUNTY AND AUTHORIZE DEPOSIT INTO THE DRUG SEIZURE FUND

Alderman Williams made the motion to hire Jordan Evans as Patrolman effective May 14, 2017, and set salary; to transfer Kristen Moseley from Full-time Patrol to Reserves effective February 20, 2017; to approve travel for Officer Sam Versell to travel to Birmingham, AL to escort the Brandon Elementary School 5th grade class to the McWane Science Center on February 24, 2017; and to accept forfeited funds in the amount of $4,912.00 from Rankin County and authorize deposit into the Drug Seizure Fund, in accordance with the memos from the Police Chief, which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Corley, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

5. HIRE JAMES BARLOW AS A FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 21, 2017, AND SET RATE OF PAY; APPROVE TRAVEL FOR CHIEF TERRY WAGES AND CAROLYN PALMER TO TRAVEL TO BILOXI, MS TO ATTEND THE EMERGENCY SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS CONFERENCE ON MAY 3-5, 2017; APPROVE TRAVEL FOR LT. SAMANTHA RANER TO TRAVEL TO MEMPHIS, TN TO ATTEND A HUMAN REMAINS WORKSHOP ON MARCH 16, 2017; AND ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF CAPTAIN JEFF BEASLEY EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 26, 2017

Alderman Morris made the motion to hire James Barlow as a Firefighter/Paramedic effective February 21, 2017, and set rate of pay; to approve travel for Chief Terry Wages and Carolyn Palmer to travel to Biloxi, MS to attend the Emergency Services Administrative Professionals Conference on May 3-5, 2017; to approve travel for Lt. Samantha Raner to travel to Memphis, TN to attend a Human Remains Workshop on March 16, 2017; and to accept the resignation of Captain Jeff Beasley effective February 26, 2017, in accordance with the memos from the Fire Chief, which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Christopher, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

6. APPROVE THE ARCHITECTURAL PLANS FOR 202 TOWN SQUARE; ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF BUILDING INSPECTOR CLAY WEEKS EFFECTIVE MARCH 10, 2017; AND APPROVE THE ARCHITECTURAL PLANS FOR 393 CROSSGATES BOULEVARD

Alderman Corley made the motion to approve the architectural plans for 202 Town Square; to accept the resignation of Building Inspector Clay Weeks effective March 10, 2017;
and to approve the architectural plans for 393 Crossgates Boulevard, in accordance with the memos from the Community Development Director, which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Dobbs, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

7. RENEW THE BID FOR CUTTING OF THE HIGHWAY 18 RIGHT OF WAY WITH QUIRIN LAND IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF $53,550.00 FOR FY17; APPROVE THE QUOTE FROM HARVEY SERVICES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF $8,145.00 FOR REPAIRS TO THE COUNTRY MEADOWS LIFT STATION LOCATED AT 541 GLENRIDGE DRIVE; AND RESCIND BOARD ACTION TAKEN ON FEBRUARY 6, 2017 UNDER SECTION 11 OF THE MINUTES WITH REGARD TO THE ORDER OF THE BOARD AMENDING WATER AND SEWER UTILITY RATES

Alderman Morris made the motion to renew the bid for cutting of the Highway 18 Right of Way with Quirin Land Improvements in the amount of $53,550.00, as the lowest and best quote received, for FY17; to approve the quote from Harvey Services, Inc. in the amount of $8,145.00, as the lowest and best quote received, for repairs to the Country Meadows Lift Station located at 541 Glenridge Drive and to authorize payment of the same; and to rescind board action taken on February 6, 2017 under Section 11 of the Minutes with regard to the Order of the Board amending water and sewer utility rates, in accordance with the memos from the Public Works Director, which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Christopher, and upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

8. APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK, LLC D/B/A CODERED IN THE AMOUNT OF $3,089.23; AND SURPLUS EQUIPMENT THAT IS NO LONGER OF USE TO THE CITY AND TRANSFER TO THE MS STATE OFFICE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY FOR DISPOSAL

Alderman Williams made the motion to approve a professional services contract with Emergency Communications Network, LLC d/b/a CODERED in the amount of $3,089.23, and to authorize payment of the same and to authorize the Mayor to execute the same; and to surplus equipment that is no longer of use to the City and transfer to the MS State Office of Surplus Property for disposal, in accordance with the memos from the Information Technology Director, which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Vinson, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

Alderman Corley made the motion to approve the MDA cash request in the amount of $2,930.81 and the CDBG closeout documents and to authorize the Mayor to execute the same; and to approve the Docket of Claims for February 1, 14 & 21, 2017, the Fox Everett release on January 26, 2017 and February 16, 2017, and Electronic Fund Transfers for February 2017, in accordance with the memos from the City Clerk, which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Morris, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Morris made the motion to consider the need to go into executive session to discuss potential litigations and personnel matters, seconded by Alderman Williams, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

Alderman Corley then made the motion to go into executive session for the reason stated, and more particularly to discuss a personnel matter involving the Community Development Department, seconded by Alderman Vinson, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

Alderman Corley made the motion to resume the Regular Board Meeting out of executive session, seconded by Alderman Williams, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

(That no votes were taken in Executive Session was announced upon return to the Board Meeting Room.)

11. ADJOURN

Alderman Corley made the motion to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting, seconded by Alderman Williams, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED THIS THE 6TH DAY OF MARCH, 2017.

HON. BUTCH LEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ANGELA BEAN, CITY CLERK