MINUTES SPECIAL BOARD MEETING BRANDON BOARD OF ALDERMEN BUTCH LEE, MAYOR PRESIDING AUGUST 29, 2022 – 6:00 P.M.

- 1. Call to Order Mayor Lee and Aldermen Coker, Middleton, Womack, Williams, Vinson and Craine were present. Mark Baker gave the invocation and Mayor Lee led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Append the Special Meeting Notice to the Minutes.

Alderman Womack made the motion to append the Special Meeting Notice to the Minutes, seconded by Alderman Coker and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

3. Public Hearing RE: 2023 TAXING AND SPENDING PLAN

The Public Hearing was opened with respect to the FY 2022-2023 Taxing and Spending Plan, whereupon the City Clerk advised that all the prerequisites for the hearing have been met. A list of attendees and the Affidavit of Publication of the Notice of Hearing are appended hereto. The City Clerk generally explained the proposed taxing and spending plan. After calling for public comments David Stephens asked about the allocation of debt in relation to the assessed millage. No additional questions or public comments were presented, and the Public Hearing was closed.

MAYOR/CITY CLERK

- 1. Adopt a resolution to set the tax levy at thirty-three (33) for fiscal year 2022-2023.
- 2. Adopt an order fixing special election for October 11, 2022, to fill unexpired term of the office of Alderman of Ward 6 of the City of Brandon, Mississippi and authorize publication of the notice of the same.
- 3. Review and approve the need for a local emergency as declared and proclaimed by the Mayor on August 24, 2022.
- 4. Appoint Billy Sims as a Brandon Election Commissioner.
- 5. Purchase thirty-two (32) batteries for the emergency backup system from Service Electrical Sales, LLC in the amount of \$6,045.80 as the lowest and best quote received and authorize payment of the same.
- 6. Approve general professional services agreement with Waggoner Engineering and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.
- 7. Purchase Christmas tree for downtown from Jubilee Décor in the amount of \$12,378.00, as the lowest and best quote received, and revise the budget accordingly.

Alderman Craine made the motion to approve agenda items 4.1-4.7 in accordance with the memos from the Mayor/City Clerk's Office which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Vinson and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

5. WILLIAM THOMPSON, POLICE CHIEF

- 1. Amend item 9.5 (a)-(c) from the Regular Board Meeting held on August 15, 2022, to correct a scrivener's error regarding the date of promotion and pay adjustments.
- 2. Approve the 2022-2023 Amendment to and Renewal of School Law Enforcement (LEO) Agreement with the Rankin County School District and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the same.

Alderman Williams made the motion to approve agenda items 5.1 & 5.2, in accordance with the memos from the Police Department which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Craine and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

6. BRIAN ROBERTS, FIRE CHIEF

- 1. Hire Taylor Sellers and Hayden Jackson as firefighters effective August 30, 2022 and set rate of pay pursuant to the memo.
- 2. Declare as an emergency repairs to the 2016 E-One Engine (Vin#9943) due to an accident that occurred on August 18, 2022.

Alderman Womack made the motion to approve agenda items 6.1 & 6.2, in accordance with the related memos from the Fire Department which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Craine and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Vinson made the motion to consider the need to enter into Executive Session, seconded by Alderman Craine and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

Alderman Coker then made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss personal matters involving the Community Development, Public Works and Police departments and the sale/acquisition of real property, seconded by Alderman Craine and upon unanimous vote the motion carried. The vote to go into Executive Session and the reasons therefore were then announced in the board room.

Alderman Williams made the motion to terminate employees #1913 and #2017, effective immediately, in accordance with the recommendation of the Public Works Director, and to include a summary of issues presented by the Director in each employee's personnel file, seconded by Alderman Vinson.

Alderman Williams made the motion to accept the resignation of Matt Dodd effective September 23, 2022, seconded by Alderman Womack and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

Alderman Craine made the motion to accept the resignation of William Thompson effective September 30, 2022, seconded by Alderman Womack and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

Alderman Williams made the motion to hire Bob Morrow to provide a current appraisal on city property adjacent to City Hall, seconded by Alderman Coker and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

Alderman Williams then made the motion to resume the Regular Board Meeting out of Executive Session, seconded by Alderman Coker and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

(That votes were taken in Executive Session was announced upon return to the board room.)

ADJOURN

Attest:

Alderman Womack made the motion to adjourn the Special Board Meeting, seconded by Alderman Craine and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

Minutes approved this the 6th day of September 2022.

Hon. Butch Lee, Mayor

Hon Angela Bean City Clerk