

**MINUTES OF THE SECOND REGULAR FEBRUARY 2007 MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
FEBRUARY 20, 2007
6:30 P.M.**

The Mayor called the second regular February 2007 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to order. Present were Mayor Gene F. McGee, Alderman Linda Davis, Alderman Gerald Steen, Alderman Ken Heard, Alderman Chuck Gautier, Alderman Kevin Holder, Alderman Larry Roberts, Alderman Scott Jones, City Clerk David W. Overby, and City Attorney Jerry Mills. The meeting opened with an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor and Board were furnished a copy of the January 9, 2007 Architectural Review Board minutes and financial statements for December 2006 and January 2007.

The Mayor announced that for the fourteenth year that the City of Ridgeland was recently awarded the Certificate of Achievement of Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for its fiscal year 2005 Comprehensive Annual Finance Report (CAFR). The Mayor then presented David Overby, Director of Finance & Administration/City Clerk with the GFOA Award of Financial Reporting Achievement.

The first order of business was the matter of accepting the minutes from the February 6, 2007 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen. The minutes were accepted with no corrections.

NO PROTEST RESOLUTION/GO BONDS 2007

There next came for consideration the matter of adopting a No Protest Resolution regarding the issuance of General Obligation Bonds 2007 to be issued in the maximum principal amount Twenty Two Million Five Hundred Dollars (\$22,500,000) for the purpose of providing funds for certain improvements within the City of Ridgeland. The City Clerk adjudicated that no written protests against the issuance of said bonds had been filed. Alderman Jones moved to adopt said resolution, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Gautier and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman Davis	Aye
Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Roberts	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

There next came for consideration the matter of the items set out on the Consent Agenda. Alderman Steen moved to approve the following Consent Agenda.

- (a) Site Plan Approvals-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "B"
 - i. Hyatt Place Hotel (Renaissance)
 - ii. East County Line Road Chevron

- iii. Highland Colony Baptist Church Multi-Purpose Building
- iv. First Mark Homes Office Building
- (b) "I Care for Animals" Car Tag Program-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "C"
- (c) Special Event Permits-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "D"
 - i. Mean Mallard Gumbo Cook-Off
 - ii. Philip's Crawfish Boil
 - iii. Philip's Seafood Festival
 - iv. Shucker's Cajun Fest
 - v. Shucker's Crawfish Boil
- (d) Easement from St. Andrews Episcopal School-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "E"
- (e) Resolution Approving Engineering Services Contract on Lake Harbour Drive Extension Project-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "F"
- (f) Surplus Vehicles/Police Department-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "G"
- (g) Soccer Stadium Agreement-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "H"
- (h) Authorization to Bid for Asphalt (Term Bid)-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "I"
- (i) Authorization to Bid Ridgeland Magazine-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "J"
- (j) Code Enforcement Officer I/Job Description-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "K"
- (k) Cottonwood Place/Accept Bid & Approve Sale-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "L"

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Heard and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman Davis	Aye
Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Roberts	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

WEST JACKSON STREET/UTILITY LINES

There next came for consideration the matter of underground utility lines on West Jackson Street. After discussion, Alderman Steen moved to confirm that the City would commit to moving forward with relocating the overhead utility lines on West Jackson Street from North Central Street to North Maple Street as depicted on the plan presented. A copy of said plan is located at City Hall in the Community Development Department.

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Jones and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman Davis	Aye
Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Roberts	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

There next came for consideration the matter of payment of claims. Alderman Gautier moved that claim numbers 58781 through 59040 on claims docket dated February 20, 2007 with the exception of claim number 58808 (Cellular South) be paid.

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Jones and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman Davis	Aye
Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Roberts	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

At this time, Alderman Roberts left the meeting because his wife is employed by Cellular South.

Alderman Steen moved to pay claim number 58808 (Cellular South) on claims docket dated February 20, 2007.

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Holder and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman Davis	Aye
Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Roberts	Absent
Alderman Jones	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Alderman Roberts returned to the meeting.

Next, the Mayor recognized Renee Rice and Darren Milner from Merchants and Farmers Bank who attended in regard to the proposed soccer stadium agreement between the City of Ridgeland and Merchant & Farmers Bank.

Alderman Davis moved to appoint Elizabeth Barber, 769 Oakmont Parkway, to the Community Awareness Committee.

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Heard and a vote was taken thereon as follows:

Alderman Davis	Aye
Alderman Steen	Aye
Alderman Heard	Aye
Alderman Gautier	Aye
Alderman Holder	Aye
Alderman Roberts	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Mayor and Board of Aldermen the Mayor declared the second regular February 2007 meeting adjourned.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE this the _____ day of February 2007.

Gene F. McGee, Mayor

ATTEST:

David W. Overby, City Clerk