

**FIRST REGULAR JUNE 2008 MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
JUNE 3, 2008
6:30 P.M.**

The Mayor called the first regular June 2008 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 Overby and City Attorney James Gabriel. The meeting opened with an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor and Board were furnished copies of the May 13, 2008 Architectural Review Board meeting and the May 28, 2008 Zoning Board meeting.

The first order of business was the matter of accepting the minutes from the May 20, 2008 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen. The minutes were accepted with no corrections.

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**PETITION REGARDING DOGS/
MARY JANE & RALPH MORGAN**

There next came for consideration the matter of a petition filed by Mary Jane and Ralph Morgan for a permit to allow them to keep four (4) Scottish Terrier dogs at their residence located at 293 Red Eagle Circle. After discussion, Alderman Heard moved to approve the issuance of said permit. Copies of documents related to this matter are 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.

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CODE ENFORCEMENT HEARINGS

There next came for consideration the matter of Code Enforcement hearings for the following properties: 101 Honeysuckle Lane, 206 Pecan Park, and 935-A Banbury Cross. The Code Enforcement Officer explained that the properties are in such condition as to be a menace to the public health and safety of the community; and that proper notice had been given to the property owners; and that notices of these hearings were published in the Madison County Journal. The Mayor then asked if any of the owners were present. There being no response, Alderman Steen moved to adjudicate said properties. Copies of documents related to this matter are attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

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

Alderman Davis	Aye
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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.

ODYSSEY SHOPPING CENTER/SITE PLAN

There next came for consideration was the matter of reviewing and approving a site plan for Odyssey Shopping Center located on Pear Orchard Road. Alderman Jones moved to approve said plan using Red Cent Sherwin-Williams paint as an accent color on the towers and add said color to the Northpark Shopping District’s design guidelines

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	Aye
Alderman Jones	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

TRACE HILL CHURCH/PETITION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

There next came for consideration the matter of a petition filed by Trace Hill Church for a Special Exception and Conditional Use Permit for property located at 637 Highway 51 (C-2A General Commercial District Classification) for the purpose of holding church services and meetings at said property. After discussion, Alderman Jones moved to table the matter until the July 1, 2008 meeting.

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.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- (a) Balloons for Celebrate America Balloon Glow/\$750 per Balloon up to \$15,000 & Increase Recreation & Parks Budget \$5,000-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "C"
- (b) Site Plans:-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "D"
 - i. Wealth Partners
 - ii. Trace Trail Phase II
- (c) Set Code Enforcement Hearing (July 1, 2008)/128 Chinquipin Cove (Mike Crook)-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "E"
- (d) Cancel Code Enforcement Hearings-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "E"
 - i. 113 Brookfield (Cleola Taylor)
 - ii. Bob White Lane-Vacant Lot (Dr. Monohar Singh)
- (e) Declare Property Surplus/Desk #180-4-0034-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "F"
- (f) Consider Bid Award/Harbor Drive & City Entrance Sign on Spillway Road/Landscape Maintenance-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "G"
- (g) Lake Harbour Drive Widening/Appraisal & Review Appraisal Services-Order attached hereto as Exhibit "H"

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Steen 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 Steen moved that claim numbers 68919 through 69298 with the exception of claim number 68996 (Cellular South) on claims docket dated June 3, 2008 be paid.

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.

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

Alderman Davis moved that claim number 68996 (Cellular South) be paid.

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	Absent
Alderman Jones	Aye

The Mayor then declared the Motion carried.

Alderman Roberts returned to the meeting.

BUDGET INCREASE/POLICE DEPARTMENT

There next came for consideration the matter of a request by the Police Chief to the Police Department’s budget \$175,000 from general fund surplus to pay TCS Wares for police car computers. The police department will be receiving a Federal grant for \$175,000 that will be used to repay the general fund. Alderman Gautier moved to grant said request.

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	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 first regular June 2008 meeting adjourned.

Gene F. McGee, Mayor

ATTEST:

David W. Overby, City Clerk