

**MINUTES OF THE FIRST REGULAR OCTOBER 2006 MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE
CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI
OCTOBER 3, 2006
6:30 P.M.**

The Mayor called the first regular October 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 introduced Boy Scout Troop Leader Arthur Johnston and Boy Scout Andrew Cranford from Troop 304 sponsored by the Christ United Methodist Church.

Next, the Mayor congratulated Chris Chance, Recreation and Parks Director, and presented him with a plaque for receiving the MRPA 2006 Therapeutic Recreation Award of Merit for the Lose the Training Wheels program.

The Mayor and Board were furnished copies of the September 21, 2006 Zoning Board meeting and the September 26, 2006 Architectural Review Board meeting.

The first order of business was the matter of accepting the minutes from the September 19, 2006 regular board meeting. The minutes were accepted with no corrections.

MONTRACHET SUBDIVISION

There next came for consideration the matter of granting a request by the Montrachet Homeowner's Association to approve an entrance into their subdivision located off Northpark Drive. Alderman Davis moved to grant the request.

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.

**POLICY SETTING CITY CRITERIA REGARDING
THE USE OF GATES, CAMERAS, SPEED BUMPS
ON LOCAL RESIDENTIAL STREETS**

There next came for consideration the matter of adopting a resolution to establish a policy to authorize the use of gates, cameras, speed bumps and other devices on local residential streets. Alderman Davis moved to adopt the resolution attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

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.

**MONTRACHET SUBDIVISION/
REQUEST TO GATE COMMUNITY**

There next came for consideration the matter of the Montrachet Homeowner’s Association’s request to gate the entrance to Montrachet. After discussion, Alderman Davis moved to take the matter under advisement and direct the City Attorney to seek an attorney general’s opinion regarding the placement of gates at the entrance of subdivisions.

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.

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) Approve Site Plans-Order attached hereto as Exhibit “B”
 - i. MCL Properties
 - ii. Ford Street Office Warehouse
- (b) Bridgewater Subdivision/Petition for Special Exception & Conditional Use Permit (Pigeonnier)-Order attached hereto as Exhibit “C”
- (c) Request Authorization to Bid for Recycling-Order attached hereto as Exhibit “D”
- (d) Request Authorization to Bid for Automatic Meter Readers-Order attached hereto as Exhibit “E”
- (e) Requests for Special Event Permits/Waive Fees-Order attached hereto as Exhibit “F”
 - i. Ridgeland Trunk or Treat
 - ii. Ridgeland Christmas Parade
 - iii. Ridgeland Floating Christmas Parade
 - iv. Ridgeland High School Parade
- (f) Set Code Enforcement Hearing/11/21/06-Order attached hereto as Exhibit “G”

- (g) Authorization to Obtain Assessment & Valuation/Jackson Utility System-
Order attached hereto as Exhibit "H"

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.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

There next came for consideration the matter of payment of claims. Alderman Davis moved that claim numbers 55799 through 56184 excluding claim numbers 55881, 55882, 55883, & 55884 (Cellular South) on claims docket dated October 3, 2006 be paid.

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.

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

Alderman Jones moved that claim numbers 55881, 55882, 55883, & 55884 (Cellular South) on claims docket dated October 3, 2006 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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Steen moved that the meeting be closed to determine the necessity for an executive session.

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.

The meeting was closed and discussion followed regarding the necessity of going into executive session to discuss contract negotiations and potential litigation.

Alderman Davis moved that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen go into executive session.

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.

The Mayor reopened the meeting and announced that, by unanimous vote, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen were going into executive session to discuss contract negotiations and potential litigation.

The meeting was then closed and the Board went into executive session.

After discussion, Alderman Davis moved that the Board come out of executive session.

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.

The meeting was reopened, whereupon the Mayor informed the public that no action was taken during executive session.

BUTLER SNOW O’MARA STEVENS & CANNADA PPLC AGREEMENT

There next came for consideration the matter of entering into an agreement with Butler, Snow, O’Mara, Stevens & Cannada, PLLC for legal assistance regarding revitalizing and developing certain areas in the City of Ridgeland. Alderman Gautier moved to approve entering into said agreement with fees not to exceed \$5,000.

The Motion was seconded by Alderman Davis 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 October 2006 meeting adjourned

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE this the _____ day of October 2006.

Gene F. McGee, Mayor

ATTEST:

David W. Overby, City Clerk