

## Welcome to Ridgeland!

#### Gene McGee, Mayor www.RidgelandMS.org

## Register to vote at City Hall

City Hall	601-856-7113	Community Development	601-856-3877
Fire Department	601-856-7004	Police Department	601-856-2121
Public Works	601-853-2027	Recreation and Parks	601-853-2011
Water Billing	601-856-3938		

**Billing Information:** Water, Ridgeland sewer, Jackson sewer, garbage and recycling are included in your water bill. The water bill is mailed by the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month. The due date is the 16<sup>th</sup> of the month before 5 p.m. Payment may be made in person, by bank draft, by mail, or deposited in the drop box located outside the front entrance to City Hall. Payment may also be paid online at the website above or by calling 1-888-284-9025 for a fee of \$2.00 plus 3% of your bill (only 3% if paid at city hall by credit card). Manage your account online where you may utilize quick pay, schedule payments or enroll in auto pay. You may receive your water bill by mail or email. Please do not hesitate to contact us at <u>utilitybilling@ridgelandms.org</u> if you have any questions.

**Online Services:** Through the City's website, you may pay your water bill, submit requests for action by the City for code enforcement, animal control, roadway concerns, street light maintenance and more, sign up for Ridgeland Alert, view official meeting minutes, obtain copies of an accident report, pay a traffic ticket, and view government auction items. Check out the City Calendar on the website to stay up-to-date on Ridgeland Recreation and Parks events, holiday schedules, and meetings. Our Residential Services quicklink will provide you with useful information as a new resident.

**Stay Informed:** Visit our new website, sign up for Ridgeland Alerts (please see enclosed instructions for signing up), Like & Follow us on Facebook & Instagram at City of Ridgeland, Mississippi Government. Read *Ridgeland Life*, the City's quarterly magazine, which is mailed to homes and businesses, delivered to apartment rental offices, and distributed at various public and retail locations in Ridgeland. City meetings are open to the public. Seven Aldermen and the Mayor are elected to serve the citizens of Ridgeland. To learn the name and contact information of your ward's Alderman, view the ward map in *Ridgeland Life*, on the City website, or at City Hall.

### **Helpful Information**

Auto Tags	Madison County Tax Collector, 171 Cobblestone, Madison	601-856-4472		
New Mississippi residents must purchase Mississippi auto tags within 30 days of establishing residency. Tags may be purchased at the Madison County tax collector's office located off Highway 51 at the first traffic light after entering the City of Madison.				
Daily Newspaper	The Clarion-Ledger (also offers insert, Madison County Herald)	601-961-7000		
Weekly Newspaper	Madison County Journal (also offers magazine insert)	601-853-4222		
Driver's License	Mississippi Department of Public Safety	601-987-1212		
Motorists must obtain a Mississippi driver's license within 60 days of moving to the state. Visit www.dps.ms.gov for information.				
Electricity	Entergy	800-368-3749		
If you rent property, you must get an inspection from the Community Development Department in order for an Entergy permit to be issued. For more information, visit <u>www.entergy.com</u> . For homeowners, call the City's Community Development department at 601-856-3877 to obtain your Entergy permit. Please have your account number handy.				
Natural Gas	Center Point Energy, www.centerpointenergy.com Atmos Energy, www.atmosenergy.com	800-371-5417 888-286-6700		
Garbage/Recycling	Waste Management	601-922-9647		
A 64-gallon recycling cart is assigned to each property. Do not remove the cart from the property or you will be charged the cost of the cart. Please keep your cart and garbage can out of view of the street on non-collection days. A Recycling and Solid Waste Guide brochure is available online and at City Hall.				
Health Department	Madison County Health Department, 309 Park Drive, Canton	601-859-3316		
Marriage License	Madison County Circuit Clerk, 128 W. North Street, Canton	601-859-4365		
Post Office	611 S. Pear Orchard Rd, Ridgeland	601-991-0249		

Telephone,<br/>Internet & CableComcast<br/>A T & T<br/>C Spire601-982-0922<br/>888-757-6500Sign up for ultra-fast fiber available in certain areas at www.cspire.com/ridgeland.

Payments for Comcast, Entergy, Atmos and AT&T may be made at the Kroger store in Ridgeland. Fees may be applicable.

#### Local Public Schools and Resources

Madison County Schools in Ridgeland

www.madison-schools.com

601-499-0800

Ann Smith Elementary (K-2)	306 S. Pear Orchard Rd	601-856-6621
Highland Elementary (grades 3-5)	330 Brame Rd	601-853-8103
Old Town Middle (grades 6-8)	210 Sunnybrook Rd	601-898-8730
Ridgeland High (grades 9-12)	586 Sunnybrook Rd	601-898-5023
Ridgeland Chamber of Commerce <u>www.ridgelandchamber.com</u>	754 S. Pear Orchard Rd	601-991-9996
Ridgeland Public Library <u>www.mclsms.org</u>	397 Highway 51	601-856-4536
Ridgeland Tourism Commission <u>www.visitridgeland.com</u>	1000 Highland Colony Pkwy, Suite 6006	601-605-5252

# Important Ridgeland Laws

You may wish to review the following local ordinances and laws online at <u>www.ridgelandms.org</u>.

Animal Control Ordinances	A breed ban is in effect in Ridgeland for American Pit Bull Terrier, Staffordshire Bull Terrier, American Staffordshire Terrier, and Wolf-dog hybrid. No more than three dogs are allowed at any residence. It is unlawful for any animal to run at- large. Caretakers are to remove animal wastes and dispose in a sanitary way.
Bicycle Helmet Ordinance	Helmets must be worn while riding on any street, sidewalk, bikeway, trail or other public property.
Parking Codes	Parking on grass and parking on the street is a violation of city parking ordinances.
Property Maintenance Ordinance	Private property must be maintained to ensure the protection of public health, safety and welfare. Violations include tall grass, poor conditions of exterior structure, and accumulation of items visible from the street.
Privilege Licenses	All businesses including home-based businesses are required to have a privilege license from the City of Ridgeland.
Smoking in Public Places	Smoking in enclosed public places and all workplaces is prohibited in Ridgeland. Smoking in outdoor areas must follow distance restrictions.

## **Recreational Facilities and Programs**

Barnett Reservoir	Recreational lake, 115 Madison Landing Circle	www.therez.ms.gov
Freedom Ridge Park	Softball and soccer fields, pavilions, playgrounds, trail	235 W. School St.
Friendship Park	Pavilion, lighted trail, fitness court, playground	475 Lake Harbour Dr.
Magnolia Ridge BMX	BMX track, www.magnoliaridgebmx.com	344 Old Town Crossing
Multi-Use Trail System	Public parking at Rice Rd/Harbor Dr., Old Town Crossing/ Trace Parkway Cabin	N. Jackson St. or Natchez
Ridgeland Recreational Center	Superstar Seniors programs	137 Old Trace Park
Ridgeland Tennis Center & Pickle Ball Courts	Largest public tennis facility in the state	201 McClellan Dr.
Ridgeland Disc Golf Course	18-hole course with average distance of 330	Old Trace Park
Ridgeland Trails	Mountain bike and hiking trails, www.tricountymtb.org	521 Giles Ln., Madison
Wolcott Park	Baseball/softball fields, playground, batting cages	349 McClellan Dr.
Youth Organizations	Mississippi Futbol Club Madison Ridgeland Youth Club	www.mfcsoccer.com www.mryouthclub.com