MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF BRANDON, MISSISSIPPI HELD ON JANUARY 3, 2017

The Regular Board Meeting was held in the Brandon City Hall Boardroom, 1000 Municipal Drive, Brandon, Mississippi. The meeting was led by Mayor Butch Lee. Aldermen Christopher, Dobbs, Morris, Williams, Vinson, Coker and Corley were present. Mayor Lee led the prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Public Comments/Recognitions: Lori Farrar announced that the Princess Ball will be held on February 3-4, 2017.

1. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 19, 2016

Alderman Corley made the motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 19, 2016, which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Dobbs, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

2. ACCEPT DONATION OF \$265.00 FROM LARRY HART FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Alderman Morris made the motion to accept the donation of \$265.00 from Larry Hart for the Police Department, in accordance with the memo from the Police Chief, which is appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Vinson, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

3.

CHANGE EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF LT. JOHN KUBALA FROM FULL-TIME TO PART-TIME, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 7, 2017, AND ADJUST RATE OF PAY; AND PROMOTE CAPTAIN BRIAN ROBERTS TO BATTALION CHIEF AND LT. RAY HUSBAND TO CAPTAIN, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2, 2017, AND ADJUST SALARIES

Alderman Williams made the motion to change the employment status of Lt. John Kubala from full-time to part-time, effective January 7, 2017, and to adjust rate of pay; and to promote Captain Brian Roberts to Battalion Chief and Lt. Ray Husband to Captain, effective January 2, 2017, and to adjust their salaries, in accordance with the memos from the Fire Chief, which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Coker, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

(Those promoted were then administered the oath of office by the Mayor.)

4.

SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR FEBRUARY 6, 2017 REGARDING THE VARIANCE REQUEST OF JOY COTTON AT 1032 COLLEGE SOUTH COVE FOR KEEPING OF LIVESTOCK

Alderman Coker made the motion to set a public hearing for February 6, 2017 regarding the variance request of Joy Cotton at 1032 College South Cove for keeping of livestock, in accordance with the memo from the Community Development Director, which is appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Corley, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

5.

APPROVE HEMPHILL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY AND THOMPSON PUMP, INC. INVOICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$145,253.53 FOR EMERGENCY TERRAPIN SKIN CREEK SEWER LINE REPAIRS AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF THE SAME; APPROVE HEMPHILL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY PAY REQUEST #6 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$269,472.00 AND PAY REQUEST #7 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35,416.00 WITH REGARD TO THE LUCKNEY ROAD SEWER PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF THE SAME; AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM GRINER DRILLING SERVICE, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$80,730.00 FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR TESTING OF THE FUTURE SITE OF THE LAKEBEND WATER WELL

Alderman Vinson made the motion to approve Hemphill Construction Company and Thompson Pump, Inc. invoices in the amount of \$145,253.53 for emergency Terrapin Skin Creek sewer line repairs and to authorize payment of the same; to approve Hemphill Construction Company Pay Request #6 in the amount of \$269,472.00 and Pay Request #7 in the amount of \$35,416.00 with regard to the Luckney Road Sewer Project and to authorize payment of the same; and to approve the proposal from Griner Drilling Service, Inc. in the amount of \$80,730.00 for professional services for testing of the future site of the Lakebend Water Well, in accordance with the memos from the Public Works Department, which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Williams, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

6.

APPROVE BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL FIELD RENTAL AGREEMENTS; INCREASE BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL REGISTRATION FEES; APPROVE ADJUSTED SELECT TEAM FIELD USAGE FEES; APPROVE THRASH COMMERCIAL CONTRACTORS PAY REQUEST #2 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$836,449.48 WITH REGARD TO THE RANKIN TRAILS AMPHITHEATER AND BASEBALL PARK PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF THE SAME; RESCIND BOARD ACTION TAKEN ON NOVEMBER 21, 2016 UNDER SECTION SEVEN (7) OF THE MINUTES WITH REGARD TO THE HIRING OF HUNTER RYALS; AND ADVERTISE FOR THE 2017 YOUTH SPRING SPORTS REGISTRATION IN THE RANKIN COUNTY NEWS AT A COST OF \$315.00 AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF THE SAME

Alderman Morris made the motion to approve the Baseball and Softball Field Rental Agreements; to increase the baseball and softball registration fees; to approve the adjusted Select Team Field Usage Fees; to approve Thrash Commercial Contractors Pay Request #2 in the amount of \$836,449.48 with regard to the Rankin Trails Amphitheater and Baseball Park Project and to authorize payment of the same; to rescind board action taken on November 21, 2016

under section seven (7) of the minutes with regard to the hiring of Hunter Ryals; and to advertise for the 2017 Youth Spring Sports Registration in the Rankin County News at a cost of \$315.00, for the purpose of advertising and to bring into favorable notice of the opportunities and possibilities of the City, first finding that this mode of advertising is in the best interests of the City, and to authorize payment of the same, in accordance with the memos from the Park & Recreation Department, which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Corley, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

7.

APPROVE MDA CASH REQUEST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$125,591.96 AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE SAME; AND APPROVE THE DOCKET OF CLAIMS FOR DECEMBER 20, 2016 AND JANUARY 3, 2017, FOX EVERETT CLAIMS RELEASED ON DECEMBER 22, 2016, AND ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFERS FOR DECEMBER 2016

Alderman Corley made the motion to approve the MDA cash request in the amount of \$125,591.96 and to authorize the Mayor to execute the same; and to approve the Docket of Claims for December 20, 2016 and January 3, 2017, Fox Everett Claims released on December 22, 2016, and Electronic Fund Transfers for December 2016, in accordance with the memos from the City Clerk, which are appended hereto, seconded by Alderman Williams, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Williams made the motion to consider the need to go into executive session to discuss potential litigation and personnel matters, seconded by Alderman Vinson, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

Alderman Christopher then made the motion to go into executive session for the reasons stated and more specifically to discuss personnel matters with regard to the Senior Center and Sanitation Department and potential litigation regarding Highway 80 property, seconded by Alderman Corley, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

Alderman Williams made the motion to terminate employee #901 effective December 19, 2016, in accordance with the memo from the Human Resources Director, which will be placed in the employee's personnel file, seconded by Alderman Vinson, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

Alderman Morris made the motion to resume the Regular Board Meeting out of executive session, seconded by Alderman Corley, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

(The vote taken in Executive Session was announced upon return to the Board Meeting Room.)

9.

HIRE HOWARD MCLAURIN AS A PART-TIME INMATE SECURITY OFFICER EFFECTIVE JANUARY 4, 2017

Alderman Morris made the motion to hire Howard McLaurin as a part-time Inmate Security Officer not to exceed 20 hours per week and \$10.00 per hour, effective January 4, 2017, seconded by Alderman Coker, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

10. ADJOURN

Alderman Williams made the motion to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting, seconded by Alderman Vinson, and upon unanimous vote the motion carried.

(Next Regular Board Meeting - January 17, 2017).

MINUTES APPROVED THIS THE 17th DAY OF JANUARY, 2017.

HON. BUTCH LEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ANGELA BEAN, CITY CLERK