

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen met on May 21, 2024, at 5:00 P.M., this being the regular meeting time. Mayor Greg Graves called the meeting to order, and the following Aldermen were present: Simpson, Dear, Hale, Garrett, and Tanksley. Also present were: City Attorney Ginger Miller, City Clerk Katie Harbin, Deputy City Clerk Francis, Johnson, Police Chief Chandler, Assistant Police Chief Warren, Fire Chief Foresman, Fire Inspector Brevin Holden, FLSE/PIO Chantay Rhone, Building & Planning Director Stephen Hodges, Public Works Director David Cooke, Community Development/Tourism Director Jamie Sowell, Thurman Caldwell, and Mark Lesure.

Alderman Tanksley gave the invocation.

Approve Agenda

City of Senatobia
Mayor and Board of Aldermen Agenda
May 21, 2024
City Hall 5pm

1. Call to Order, Prayer, Roll Call
2. Welcome
3. Approve Agenda
4. Discussion of tractor repair or purchase (David Cooke)
5. Building & Planning Department update, Stephen Hodges
6. Discussion of Parking at Bank First Yards, sports park
7. Update on Parks Signage and Five Star City Festival

Consent Agenda

8. Approve Minutes from the Regular Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting on May 7, 2024
9. Approve Docket of Claims numbers: 33882 – 34097 for a total of \$537,537.80
10. Authorize to pay Invoice 484358 for Mitchell McNutt Attorneys at Law in the amount of \$5,657.09 (Krishna Senatobia, Inc. case)
11. Authorize to accept a grant in the amount of \$10,000 from Motiva 76 Brand Fillin' Good Fund for the Fire Department
12. Authorize FLSE/PIO Chantay Rhone to attend the Fire Safety Summit and MAPFSE Conference at the MS State Fire Academy July 10-12, 2024, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses
13. Authorize FLSE/PIO Chantay Rhone to attend the Wilderness First Aid Class on September 16-19, 2024, in Meridian, MS, (registration and travel expenses paid by a Homeland Security Grant)
14. Authorize Police Officer Steelandt, Officer Hooper, Officer Caldwell, Sergeant Maze, Officer Johnson, and Officer Stinson to attend the 22nd Annual Law Fit Challenge in Flowood, MS on June 27-29, 2024, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses
15. Authorize Assistant Police Chief Warren to attend the Annual MS Association of Chiefs of Police in Biloxi, MS on June 17-21, 2024, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses

16. Authorize Police Officer Fernando Perez to attend the Accreditation Managers Training on June 17-19, 2024, in Biloxi, MS, also authorize to pay travel expenses
17. Authorize Community Development Director to attend the 2024 Annual MML Conference in Biloxi, MS on June 23-27, 2024, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses
18. Authorize to hire Jacob Warren as a full-time Firefighter at a rate of \$12.40 per hour, pending drug and background screening results
19. Authorize to hire Michael Presley as a part-time Firefighter at a rate of \$12.40 per hour, pending drug and background screening results
20. Authorize to accept the resignation from Police Lt. Rushing effective May 31, 2024
21. Authorize to hire Shane Howell as a full-time Certified Police Officer at the P4 rate, pending background and drug screening results
22. Authorize to temporarily move Police Officer Victoria Perkins to the Investigative Unit, also authorizing a call out stipend of \$0.25 per hour
23. Approve the Resolution Appointing Alderman at Large Garrett as the Voting Delegate and Mayor Greg Graves as the First Alternate Voting Delegate for the Mississippi Municipal League 2024 Election Voting Delegates for the City of Senatobia
24. Authorize to accept the lowest and best quote from Figure Right Construction in the amount of \$61,520.00 for a generator and installation at Fire Station 2
25. Authorize Mayor Graves to sign a 2023 Continuing Disclosure Engagement letter with Butler Snow
26. Authorize painting of crosswalks on Front Street (using grant funds)
27. Authorize to accept the quote from MidSouth Signs Inc for Bank First Yards signage package
28. Authorize to accept the quote from Magcor for Bank First Yards signage package
29. Approve Final Plat for White Oaks Section B, Charlie Sanders

Mayor's Corner

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Garrett, to approve the agenda as presented. All present voting yea, motion carried.

Discussion of tractor repair or purchase (David Cooke)

Public Works Director David Cooke stated that our 2003 tractor is currently at the shop needing repair. The lowest quote for repairs came back at \$10,318.73. David Cooke advised that he also had gotten two quotes for the purchase of a new tractor with the lowest coming from Reliable Equipment for \$54,700. Mr. Cooke stated that he would like to purchase the new tractor instead of putting \$10,318 into repairing one that is 21 years old.

The Board reviewed the quotes for repair and the purchase of a new one.

Motion was made by Alderman Simpson, seconded by Alderman Dear, to authorize to accept the lowest and best quote from Reliable Equipment for the purchase of a tractor in the amount of \$54,700, also authorizing to declare the 2003 New Holland tractor, TS110-110R4 surplus and dispose of. All present voting yea, motion carried.

Building & Planning Department Update, Stephen Hodges

Building & Planning Director Stephen Hodges advised the Mayor and Board that he wanted to take a minute to update them on things going on in the department. Mr. Hodges stated that it has now been about a year since he started in this department, and they have been making great progress. Mr. Hodges stated that they went from a one-man team to a four-man team. They have been implementing the policies and procedures set by the Planning Commission and Aldermen, created new policies to have a complete process from beginning to end for all projects brought to us. Mr. Hodges advised that they have several new neighborhoods coming in and we are using the new Comprehensive Plan to prepare for proper growth.

Mr. Hodges thanked the Mayor and Board for the decisions they've made to bring us to this point, to allow him to come in and make changes to bring the department to where it needs to be. Mr. Hodges advised the Board that Dreamland received their COA, and over Dreamland's Action Plan.

Alderman Simpson asked about the status of the Geeslin's fence.

Stephen Hodges answered that the Planning Commission asked him to speak to Mr. Geeslin again, to advise him of what has to be done to prevent fines from starting. Mr. Geeslin was receptive, has things in place and is waiting on the person to do the fence.

Alderman Simpson asked about the status of Mr. Baker's project.

Stephen Hodges advised that what was taking so long on this project was waiting on information regarding the cell tower and the proximately the cross would be to the tower. Mr. Baker recently received that. Mr. Baker decided it wouldn't be open to the public or for public use. Knowing that, he should be able to complete his project soon. If it were to be open to the public or for public use, there would be more work to do before he could start.

Alderman Simpson advised Mr. Hodges that he is doing a good job.

The Board thanked Mr. Hodges.

Discussion of Parking at Bank First Yards, sports park

Mayor Graves advised the Board that he and Greg Smith met out at the park to look at possible parking options. Mr. Smith is getting information together to give us the best option and price. Mayor Graves advised that he didn't have the information from Mr. Smith just yet, so he would like to table this item until the next meeting.

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Garrett, to table this item until June 4, 2024. All present voting yea, motion carried.

Update on Parks Signage and Five Star City Festival

Community Development Director Jamie Sowell updated the Mayor and Board on the Five Star City Festival. Mrs. Sowell stated that the festival was really successful and thanked the departments for all of their help with it. Mrs. Sowell stated that there were about 275 runners in the 5K this year, about 221 cars in the car show and over 100 vendors. There was a large crowd at all of the events.

Mayor Graves thanked Jamie, advised her that she is doing a good job.

Jamie Sowell went over the signage information and prices for the Bank First Yards signage and gave a presentation of what the signage would look like.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Graves went over the consent agenda items, numbers 8-29, and requested to pull item number 26 for discussion. Mayor Graves asked if anyone had any questions.

No questions asked.

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, to approve the consent agenda as presented, after pulling item number 26 off to be discussed individually. All voting yea, motion carried.

Approve Minutes from the Regular Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting on May 7, 2024

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, to approve the Minutes from the Regular Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting on May 7, 2024. All present voting yea, motion carried.

Approve Docket of Claims numbers: 33882 – 34097 for a total of \$537,537.80 (as funds are available)

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, to approve the Docket of Claims numbers: 33882 – 34097 for a total of \$537,537.80, as funds are available. All present voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to pay Invoice 484358 for Mitchell McNutt Attorneys at Law in the amount of \$5,657.09

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, to authorize to pay Invoice 484358 for Mitchell McNutt Attorneys at Law in the amount of \$5,657.09. All present voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to accept a grant in the amount of \$10,000 from Motiva 76 Brand Fillin' Good Fund for the Fire Department

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, to authorize to accept a grant in the amount of \$10,000 from Motiva 76 Brand Fillin' Good Fund for the Fire Department. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize FLSE/PIO Chantay Rhone to attend the Fire Safety Summit and MAPFSE Conference at the MS State Fire Academy July 10-12, 2024, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses

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Authorize Community Development Director to attend the 2024 Annual MML Conference in Biloxi, MS on June 23-27, 2024, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, authorize Community Development Director to attend the 2024 Annual MML Conference in Biloxi, MS on June 23-27, 2024, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to hire Jacob Warren as a full-time Firefighter at a rate of \$12.40 per hour, pending drug and background screening results

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, authorize to hire Jacob Warren as a full-time Firefighter at a rate of \$12.40 per hour, pending drug and background screening results. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to hire Michael Presley as a part-time Firefighter at a rate of \$12.40 per hour, pending drug and background screening results

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, authorize to hire Michael Presley as a part-time Firefighter at a rate of \$12.40 per hour, pending drug and background screening results. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to accept the resignation from Police Lt. Rushing effective May 31, 2024

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, to authorize to accept the resignation from Police Lt. Rushing effective May 31, 2024. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to hire Shane Howell as a full-time Certified Police Officer at the P4 rate, pending background and drug screening results

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, to authorize to hire Shane Howell as a full-time Certified Police Officer at the P4 rate, pending background and drug screening results. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to temporarily move Police Officer Victoria Perkins to the Investigative Unit, also authorizing a call out stipend of \$0.25 per hour

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, to authorize to temporarily move Police Officer Victoria Perkins to the Investigative Unit, also authorizing a call out stipend of \$0.25 per hour. All voting yea, motion carried.

Approve the Resolution Appointing Alderman at Large Garrett as the Voting Delegate and Mayor Greg Graves as the First Alternate Voting Delegate for the Mississippi Municipal League 2024 Election Voting Delegates for the City of Senatobia

RESOLUTION APPOINTING MISSISSIPPI MUNICIPAL LEAGUE 2024 VOTING DELEGATES FOR THE CITY OF SENATOBIA

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Municipal League amended the bylaws of the association to provide for a ballot election, to be conducted by the officers of the Mississippi Municipal Clerks and Collectors Association, to be held each year at the summer convention, to elect a Second Vice President from the Southern District; and

WHEREAS, the amended bylaws require the governing authority Board of Aldermen to designate in its minutes the voting delegate and one alternate to cast the vote for each member municipality.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF SENATOBIA

In accordance with the bylaws of the Mississippi Municipal League, the voting delegate(s) for the 2024 Mississippi Municipal League election to be held at the annual convention on June 25th are as follows:


Voting Delegate: Alderman at Large Demetrius Garrett
First Alternate: Mayor Greg Graves

That public interest and necessity requiring same, this Resolution shall become effective upon passage. The above and forgoing Resolution, after having been reduced to writing, was introduced by Alderman Hale seconded by Alderman Dear and was adopted by the following vote, to-wit:

YEAS: Alderman Simpson, Alderman Dear, Alderman Hale, Alderman Garrett, and Alderman Tanksley.
NAYS: None.

The above and foregoing Resolution having been submitted to and approved by the Mayor, this the 21st day of May, 2024.

ATTEST:


City Clerk

(SEAL)



APPROVED:


Mayor

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, to approve the Resolution Appointing Alderman at Large Garrett as the Voting Delegate and Mayor Greg Graves as the First Alternate Voting Delegate for the Mississippi Municipal League 2024 Election Voting Delegates for the City of Senatobia. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to accept the lowest and best quote from Figure Right Construction in the amount of \$61,520.00 for a generator and installation at Fire Station 2

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, to authorize to accept the lowest and best quote from Figure Right Construction in the amount of \$61,520.00 for a generator and installation at Fire Station 2. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize Mayor Graves to sign a 2023 Continuing Disclosure Engagement letter with Butler Snow

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, to authorize Mayor Graves to sign a 2023 Continuing Disclosure Engagement letter with Butler Snow. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to accept the quote from MidSouth Signs Inc for Bank First Yards signage package

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, to authorize to accept the quote from MidSouth Signs Inc for Banks First Yards signage package. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to accept the quote from Magcor for Bank First Yards signage package

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Dear, to authorize to accept the quote from Magcor for Bank First Yards signage package. All voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize painting of crosswalks on Front Street (using grant funds)

Community Development Director Jamie Sowell went over the crosswalk project. Mrs. Sowell stated that this is being paid for by grant funds as part of the MS Main Street Place Making Workshop. We plan to do one at Front and Main St, one by Pocket Park and four on Front St.

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Garrett, to authorize painting of crosswalks downtown, using grant funds. All voting yea, motion carried.

Adjourn

Motion was made by Alderman Simpson, and seconded by Alderman Tanksley, to adjourn. All voting yea, motion carried.

Greg Graves, Mayor

ATTEST:

Katie Harbin, City Clerk