

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen met on July 16, 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, Building & Planning Director Hodges, Fire Inspector Brevin Holden, Larry Sowell, Public Works Director David Cooke, Community Development/Tourism Director Jamie Sowell, Greg Smith, Joe Cooper, Brett Brown, and Michael Cathey.

Alderman Garrett gave the invocation.

Approve Agenda

**City of Senatobia
Mayor and Board of Aldermen Agenda**

July 16, 2024
City Hall 5pm

1. Call to Order, Prayer, Roll Call
2. Welcome
3. Approve Agenda
4. Street Repair/Paving Update, Greg Smith, Mendrop
5. Authorize to purchase new Pumper Truck for the Fire Department
6. Authorize to accept the lowest and best quote from Reliable Equipment in the amount of \$67,643.00 for an open cab tractor (previously approved tractor is not available)

Consent Agenda

7. Approve Minutes from the Regular Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting on July 2, 2024
8. Approve Docket of Claims numbers: 34615 – 34791 for a total of \$136,009.47
9. Authorize to pay Mitchell McNutt invoice 487846 for a total of \$522.50, for Krishna Senatobia legal matters (didn't make the docket)
10. Authorize Firefighter Ellis Brown to attend the Hazmat Tech II Task Force Training at the MS State Fire Academy on August 26-30, 2024, also authorize to pay travel expenses
11. Authorize Police Sgt. Dickson to attend the FBI LEEDA Supervisor Leadership Institute SLI course training, also authorize to pay registration
12. Approve the MOU between the City of Senatobia, MS Board of Aldermen and Mayor Greg Graves, for the ARPA MCWI funds and project, also authorize Mayor Graves to sign all necessary documents
13. Authorize to suspend Public Works employee Logan Cunningham for violating city policy
14. Authorize to hire Bill Burns as the full-time Downtown Beautification employee at the rate of \$12.00 per hour, pending background and drug screening results
15. Authorize to hire Alex Feldman as a Reserve Police Officer
16. Authorize to accept the lowest and best quote from Custom Security and Audio in the amount of \$13,800 for security cameras at the sports park

17. Authorize to accept the lowest and best quote from Grace Electric in the amount of \$18,345 for electrical work to set up security cameras at the sports park

18. Executive Session – Economic Development

Mayor's Corner

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

Street Repair/Paving Update, Greg Smith, Mendrop

Greg Smith with Mendrop updated the Mayor and Board on the Street Repair/Paving Project. Mr. Smith advised that the crew was in town and has started back on the work. They are first working on prepping spots to make sure water won't come back in and that they are good to go.

Alderman Hale asked about Miracle Drive.

Greg Smith stated he is going to look at that one. It's been pretty dry but there is still some water there. We will check it out and dig down more to fix it if we need to, so it will be done correctly.

Mayor Graves asked Mr. Smith about parking at the Sports Park. Mayor advised Mr. Smith that he was thinking the proposed parking they saw and approved was to the left when you first turn on the road beside the playground.

Greg Smith answered it is on the left, but on down. Mr. Smith advised that he will draw it up to be when you first turn in and bring that back.

Authorize to purchase new Pumper Truck for the Fire Department

Fire Chief Foresman presented the Mayor and Board of Aldermen with different financing option ideas that they are proposing to help with the payment of the new fire truck.

Alderman Dear stated it sounds like we are swapping a payment for a payment, I'm fine with that.

Motion was made by Alderman Dear, seconded by Alderman Hale, to approve to purchase a 2025 E-One Custom Pumper on an E-One Typhoon Chassis, authorizing Mayor Graves to sign the Purchase Agreement with Sunbelt Fire. All present voting yea, motion carried. All present voting yea, motion carried.

Authorize to accept the lowest and best quote from Reliable Equipment in the amount of \$67,643.00 for an open cab tractor

Public Works Director David Cooke advised the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that the previously approved tractor purchase, for \$54,700, has been unavailable for us to get. Mr. Cooke stated that he got more quotes, for an open and closed cab. Reliable has a closed cab tractor, a Kubota, that looks like the best quote to me.

Alderman Dear stated the only thing about a cab tractor is the windows, they tend to get busted out quite a bit.

Alderman Garrett asked Mr. Cooke what he would like to do.

David Cooke stated he prefers to get the Kubota closed cab tractor.

Motion was made by Alderman Tanksley, seconded by Alderman Garrett, to approve the lowest and best quote from Reliable Equipment in the amount of \$67,643.00, in place of the previously approved tractor purchase of \$54,700. All present voting yea, motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Graves went over the consent agenda items, numbers 7 - 17, and asked if anyone had any questions.

No questions were asked.

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

Approve Minutes from the Regular Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting on July 2, 2024

Motion was made by Alderman Hale, seconded by Alderman Garrett, to approve the Minutes from the Regular Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting on July 2, 2024. All present voting yea, motion carried.

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Mayor's Corner

Mayor Graves advised the Board that Hermino, Parks Department, had surgery but is doing ok.

Mayor Graves advised the Board that they have received insurance renewal information in their packet, asked them to review as we will need to vote on it at our next meeting.

Mayor Graves advised the Board that the EDF Candidate Interviews will start next week.

Mayor Graves asked the Board if they would be available to meet before our next regular meeting, for budget discussions.

Alderman Dear asked about the condition of the railroad crossing behind the post office.

Mayor Graves advised that we are in contact with someone from the railroad about the condition of that crossing and the others in the city. They all need some repair.

Go into Closed Session to discuss going into Executive Session for Economic Development

Motion was made by Alderman Tanksley, seconded by Alderman Hale, to authorize to go into Closed Session to discuss going into Executive Session for Economic Development. All voting yea, motion carried.

Go into Executive Session for Economic Development

Motion was made by Alderman Tanksley, seconded by Alderman Garrett, to authorize to go into Executive Session for Economic Development. All voting yea, motion carried.

Come out of Executive Session

Motion was made by Alderman Tanksley, seconded by Alderman Garrett, to authorize to come out of Executive Session. All voting yea, motion carried.

Recess

Motion was made by Alderman Simpson, and seconded by Alderman Tanksley, to recess until August 5, 2024, at 5pm. All voting yea, motion carried.

Greg Graves, Mayor

ATTEST:

Katie Harbin, City Clerk