

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Waveland, Mississippi, met in regular session at the Waveland City Hall Board Room 301 Coleman Avenue, Waveland, MS. on July 7, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. to take action on the following matters of City business.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- Bryan Therolf

**ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Smith noted for the record the presence of Aldermen Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine and Piazza, along with Deputy City Clerk Tammy Fayard and City Attorney Rachel P. Yarborough.

Absent from the meeting was City Clerk Lisa Planchard.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Re: Complimented the City of Waveland Staff for their efforts during the Destination American Red White and You Fourth of July event.

Re: Representative David Baria was present to update Board members on the Hancock County Youth Task Force as it relates to Hancock County Department of Human Services.

Re: Mr. Mickey Lagasse with Compton Engineering was present to answer public questions regarding expenses related to some recent repairs at the Garfield Ladner Memorial Pier.

Re: Mayor Smith asked the Board to allocate \$5,000 to assist "Where Angels Play" in their rebuilding of the Elwood Bourgeois Park recreation equipment. Board members verbally said they were in agreement with this. Mr. Anderson said the park would be closed starting Monday for equipment dismantlement, ground preparation and assembly of the new equipment.

**RSVP/PERSONNEL**

**Re: Hire Ms. Joann Lagasse as RSVP Director**

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to hire JoAnn Lagasse as RSVP director in the amount of \$4,200 ((1/2 x \$33,600) x 3/12) (Equivalent annual salary is \$16,800) through September 30, 2015 pending passage of drug test.

During discussion, Mayor Smith told Board members that Ms. Lagasse's salary is reimbursable to the City through 9/30/15.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS**

- Discussed the Proposed Agreement placed before the Board for professional engineering services submitted by Compton Engineering (Mickey Lagasse) regarding the SRF Loan and Certain Related Water and Sewer facilities (Mid-City Sewer repairs). Requested this issue be discussed at the Special Meeting set for the following evening, July 8, 2015.

**AMEND AGENDA/AGREEMENTS/SPECIAL MEETING/CONTRACTS/SEWER PROJECT/SRF LOAN**

**Re: Hold Special Meeting to add Engineering Agreement with Compton Engineering regarding the SRF Loan and Certain Related Water and Sewer facilities (Mid-City Sewer repairs)**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to amend the agenda for the Special Meeting set for July 8, 2015 to include the Agreement for Professional Engineering Services submitted by Compton Engineering regarding the SRF Loan and Certain Related Water and Sewer facilities (Mid-City Sewer repairs).

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

#### **ALDERMEN'S COMMENTS**

##### **Re: Alderman Burke**

- Received many compliments about how wonderful the City looked during the Fourth of July event; grass cut, rights of way cut and cleared, limbs cleared, etc...
- Whatever we need to do to keep this quality needs to be done. Mr. Anderson said he was glad everyone noticed and "It's going to continue the same as it is and get even better."

##### **Re: Alderman Richardson**

- Discussed the removal of the dirt from the newly constructed ditches. Mr. Anderson said that he, as a City representative of the project, is tired of this issue and is going to start turning this over to the engineers of the project and let the Engineer handle this issue. Mr. Frank Parker, Engineer with Pickering came forward to answer the Board's questions.
- Meeting with Mr. Kevin Jordan to discuss the rebuilding of Ricky's Restaurant.

##### **Re: Alderman Lafontaine**

- Thanked all of the City employees for their efforts in getting the City ready for the Fourth of July event.
- Requested the City contact the property owner and ask that the trailer parked at the old 'Our Shopping Center' property be removed.

##### **Re: Alderman Piazza**

- Waveland Avenue is looking great; noted the great time had by all during the Fourth of July event.
- Discussed a utility easement in Ward 4 with Mr. Mickey Lagasse.

#### **DOCKET OF CLAIMS**

##### **Re: Claims**

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Piazza to approve the Docket of Claims dated 07/07/2015 as submitted. **(EXHIBIT A)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

#### **INSURANCE/AMRISK/FOX EVERETT**

##### **Re: 6 Month Endorsement from AmRisk buying Wind Insurance Deductible Down**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Piazza to approve six month endorsement from AmRisk buying the Wind insurance deductible down to \$50,000.00 at a cost of \$38,918.00. Mr. Todd Dalton with Fox Everett Insurance was present to discuss.

During discussion Mr. Dalton explained that without doing this the City would save the \$38,918, but have a \$1,000,000 deductible with AmRisk re: wind insurance. This price is good through August 17, 2105.

##### **Re: TABLE approval of AmRisk Insurance Deductible Buy Down**

Alderman Richardson moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to **TABLE** approval of six month endorsement from AmRisk buying the Wind insurance deductible down to \$50,000.00 at a cost of \$38,918.00.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**PROCLAMATIONS**

**Re: Annual Coastal Cleanup**

Alderman Piazza moved, seconded by Alderman Burke to approve a Proclamation in support of the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Coastal Cleanup on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of October 2015, so declared this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.  
**(EXHIBIT B)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**Re: Donna Estopinal Day in the City Waveland set as July 4, 2015**

Alderman Piazza moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to approve a Proclamation recognizing July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as Donna Estopinal day in Waveland. **(EXHIBIT C)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**AGREEMENTS/LAURENCE LEYONS/ORION PLANNING GROUP**

**Re: Approval of Orion Planning Group Agreement**

Alderman Richardson moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to **TABLE** approval of Orion Planning Group's scope of services for the development of the Waveland Downtown Development Plan at a cost not to exceed \$5,000, as submitted by Mr. Laurence Leyens. Mr. Leyens will be present to answer questions.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**CITY HALL/PERSONNEL/COMPTROLLER/PERSONNEL/HUMAN RESOURCES**

**Re: Mr. Ronald Duckworth as Comptroller**

Alderman Piazza moved, seconded by Alderman Burke to hire Mr. Ronald Duckworth as Comptroller at a salary of \$55,000.00 per year, pending passage of drug test.

Alderman Richardson asked about the increase in salary for the position. Mayor Smith said the reason the former Comptroller resigned was due to salary and he feels we need to pay someone who is worth it to have them stay here. The Mayor said he thought raising the salary would encourage longevity.

Alderman Burke said, "It's easier to retain an employee than to hire a new one." The Mayor suggested starting Mr. Duckworth off at a rate of \$55,000 per year and if he works out we increase it later on if we can. Mr. Duckworth approached the Board and provided them with a brief overview of his 37 years of experience in many phases of public and healthcare accounting. He said he would like to move to Waveland with his fiancé.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

### **RELAY FOR LIFE/BOOT SHAKE/DONATIONS**

#### **Re: Deny Relay for Life to have Boot Shake Fundraiser on Highway 90**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to Discuss/Approve the City's Relay for Life Team to hold a Boot Shake as a fund raiser on Highway 90.

Alderman Piazza expressed his concern for the City's liability with this event. Mayor Smith asked for Police Chief David Allen's opinion regarding this issue. Mrs. Bernie Cullen (Relay for Life Team Captain) said the Relay for Life Group asked if this could be done in Waveland. Mrs. Yarborough said she feels the liability is assumed when you start approving it on the agenda. She said the request is really to lift the moratorium and when you start to hand out safety vests and determining where this can be held is when judgments are put in place and putting some sort of 'City blessing' on something that appears to her to be inherently dangerous. Mrs. Yarborough said although they represent the City, this is not necessarily a City function.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Piazza

Voting Nay: Burke, Richardson, and Lafontaine

Absent: None

### **BLIGHTED PROPERTY**

#### **Re: Set Hearing for Blighted Properties in Waveland**

Mrs. Cullen (Blighted Property contractor) discussed each (Items a-f) and the Board, after considerable discussion, agreed to take action in the following manner:

- a) **410 Wainwright**: house, vehicles, trailer, high grass, trash – **Hold Public Hearing**
- b) **Corner East and Gordon**: abandoned boat – **Hold Public Hearing**
- c) **127 Lafitte**: abandoned house – **Hold Public Hearing**  
Mrs. Yarborough asked if Mr. Carrigee had been sent to the house for an inspection. Mr. Anderson said yes, and it was out of compliance.
- d) **555 Brown**: abandoned house; overgrown – **Hold Public Hearing**  
Mr. Anderson said this house is also out of compliance with the 2012 Building Codes.
- e) **704 Sixth Street**: debris, vehicles in yard – **Hold Public Hearing**  
Mrs. Yarborough said this one can be defined as a junk yard under the City's Ordinance and informed Mr. Anderson they can receive notice under Zoning Ordinance and can receive criminal charges for failure to comply.
- f) **Grosvenor Property belonging to Mr. Fiorello**: dump site – **Hold Public Hearing, pending meeting with City Attorney**  
Mrs. Cullen said one of the neighbors suspected Mr. Fiorello was deceased. Mrs. Yarborough requested a meeting with Mrs. Cullen to discuss the issues placed before the Board. Litter Control Officer, Don Siebenkittel said MDEQ gave approval for them to go on the property and remove the furniture. Mrs. Yarborough said the owner must be found and discussed the rules for property notification as it applies to State Statue. Mrs.

Yarbrough said that Mr. Anderson and or Mr. Carrigee would have to determine that the house is a danger and that it's structurally unsound.

Alderman Lafontaine asked if Mrs. Cullen could check on the property on Dicks Street and the property at the corner of Margie and Old Spanish Trail with all of the vehicles scattered around. Alderman Piazza asked about 144 Waveland Avenue. Mrs. Cullen said the aforementioned properties were in the system and letters are being sent.

**PLANNING AND ZONING (EXHIBIT D)**

**Re: 402 Lizana Lane, Wilford Paul Brossette**

**Wilford "Paul" Brossette appeared before the commission** with a request for a conditional use in order to construct a 24' x 30' shed and a 24' x 20' attached carport on his property located at 402 Lizana Lane. Legal description: Lot 6A, 7 & 8A, 4<sup>th</sup> Ward, City of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi.

Jay Fountain moved, seconded by Charlotte Watson to recommend that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen approve the applicant's request for a conditional use to construct a 24' x 30' shed and a 24' x 20' attached carport on his property at 402 Lizana Lane.

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Burke to follow the recommendations of the Planning and Zoning Board and approve the request as submitted.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**Re: 179 Shoreline Park, Cody Parker**

**Cody Parker appeared before the commission** with a request for a zoning change from R-1 to C-3 on property he owns located at 4040 Hwy 90. Legal description: 23, 24, 33 & 34 block 179 Shoreline Park #7 Addition #8, City of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi.

Charlotte Watson moved, seconded by Jay Fountain to recommend that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen approve the request to change the zoning from R-1 to C-3 for the property located at 4040 Hwy 90 (138N-1-33-186.000) and to give the applicant three months to clean the property and must adhere to the current building code, floodplain and zoning ordinance.

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Burke to follow the recommendations of the Planning and Zoning Board and approve the request as submitted.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**Re: Wallace Bourgeois, 805 Combel Street**

**Wallace Bourgeois appeared before the commission** with a request for a variance of five feet from the required side yard setback in order to construct a garage/carport on his property located at 805 Combel Street. Legal description: Lots 489-492, Gulfside Sites Subdivision, City of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi.

Charlotte Watson moved, seconded by Jay Fountain to recommend that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen approve the applicant's request for a variance of five feet from the required side yard setback on his property located at 805 Combel Street.

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Burke to follow the recommendations of the Planning and Zoning Board and approve the request as submitted.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**BUSINESS INCUBATOR/BIDS/INCUBATOR/LEASES/RENTS/WAVELAND BUSINESS CENTER**

**Re: Bid Space in Waveland Business Incubator (Center) to Mr. Gary Geoffrey d/b/a/ Ole Blue Eyes Port of Call**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to award of bid for lease space of units A7 and A8 to Mr. Gary Geoffrey d/b/a Ole Blue Eyes Port of Call store as the highest, best and most responsive bid in the amount of \$513.00 per month plus utilities for one (1) year. **(EXHIBIT E)**

Alderman Burke discussed complaints he's had about Mr. Geoffrey's tenancy, specifically tobacco use on City property, television outside with people drinking all hours of the night (basically turning it into a bar room), using a BBQ grill outside on the deck to cook food, and using a propane tank to do so. Alderman Burke requested that Mr. Geoffrey understand that the common area is not for his commercial use. Alderman Burke asked if the City has a policy about smoking and drinking on City property. Ms. Yarborough said that is very easily included in the lease agreement. Alderman Lafontaine said we have to be careful excluding use of the common area because other businesses are using the common area for their café customers. Mayor Smith expressed concerns about the damage to the patio area from the BBQ pit and the bathrooms damaged after Saturday's event. Alderman Burke said he was concerned about an alcohol consumption policy for businesses at that building and liability with someone getting drunk and falling. Mr. Anderson suggested the Fire Inspector visit the business to assess their grilling on the deck. Alderman Burke also mentioned that this tenant had gotten behind on his rent and suggesting requiring deposits from all tenants. Alderman Lafontaine recommended the tenants maintain cleaning the bathroom because they're getting their commercial space for a very low rate. Mrs. Yarborough said the restroom facilities are not mentioned in the lease agreement, but a mandatory bathroom monthly service fee can be charged to the tenants. Mr. Anderson reminded the Board that you can't put restrictions on one tenant and not on others. Alderman Lafontaine again said, "I don't see where we need to be cleaning it for the (tenants); for the amount of money we're leasing these buildings for, I don't think we need to be over there cleaning the restroom facilities." Mayor Smith said, "Or repairing them". Alderman Burke asked that an alcohol and no smoking policy be added to the leases, along with perhaps a 2 month deposit made.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, and Lafontaine

Voting Nay: Piazza

Absent: None

**Re: Lease Agreement with Mr. Gary Geoffrey for Space at Business Center, Units A7 & A8**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Burke to **TABLE** approval of lease agreement with Mr. Gary Geoffrey for lease of space at the Business Incubator (Center), specifically Units A7 & A8 at a monthly cost of \$513.00, as bid, plus utilities for one year and authorize the Mayor's signature thereon.

Alderman Lafontaine suggested that each of the Aldermen jot down their leasing suggestions and give to Ms. Yarborough.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**TRAVEL/POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Re: Travel for Officers Hursey and Larsen to Harrison County Law Enforcement Academy; Investigator David Buckley to Pearl, Mississippi for Property Evidence Class**

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Piazza to approve travel for the following as listed, (Items a & b):

- a) Officers Edward Hursey and Ian Larsen to the Harrison County Law Enforcement (Full-Time) Academy. Cost to the City for each will be \$3,600 and use of a City Vehicle. (Academy fees will be reimbursed by the State).
- b) Investigator David Buckley to attend Property & Evidence Control Management & Storage for Law Enforcement Class in Pearl, Mississippi, July 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Cost to the City will be a registration fee of \$125.00, lodging for one (1) night at \$70.85 and use of a City vehicle.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**POLICE DEPARTMENT/PERSONNEL/HUMAN RESOURCES**

**Re: Transfer Officer Leanna Dunigan from Part-time to Full-time**

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to transfer Officer Leanna Dunigan from Part-Time to Full Time status (to replace Officer Ben Bowden who resigned effective July 5, 2015) at a rate of \$14.00 per hour. She presently holds a Full-Time certificate through the State of Mississippi.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**GRANTS/STOP FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE GRANT/POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Re: STOP Formula Grant Program (Domestic Violence)**

Alderman Lafontaine moved seconded by Alderman Piazza to approve acceptance of the STOP Formula Grant Program (Domestic Violence) in the amount of \$51,125.00. This is a 75/25% match grant. The cost to the City is \$15,338.00 as budgeted. Note: **(EXHIBIT F)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**AUDITS/ENGAGEMENT LETTER/CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS**

**Re: Audit Engagement for FYE 9/30/2015**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to approve the Audit Engagement with Wright, Ward, Hatten & Guel, L.L.C. for FYE 09/30/15, including required signatures. **(EXHIBIT G)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS/DEBRIS REMOVAL/SANDY RECOVERY IMPROVEMENT ACT (SRIA)/ADVERTISEMENTS**

**Re: Advertisement for Bids for Disaster Debris Clearance and Removal Services**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Burke to advertise for bids for Disaster Debris Clearance and Removal services. When such time the City should have a storm event, this service must have been previously bid for and awarded to be funded by FEMA; legislation enacted 1/29/13; the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act (SRIA) of 2013.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**VOLUNTEER/COLEMAN AVENUE**

**Re: Old Blue Eyes (O.B.E.) to be Responsible for Keeping Trash Clean from Bourgeois Street to Beach Blvd on Coleman Avenue**

Spread on the Minutes approval of Old Blue Eyes (O.B.E.) (Gary Geoffrey's business) to volunteer to be responsible for keeping the gutters clean and street clear of trash, the section of Coleman Avenue from Bourgeois Street to Beach Blvd, except for special events. There is no cost to the City. (This will be in conjunction with the current care being performed by Keep Waveland Beautiful).

Mrs. Yarborough said for the record, Mr. Geoffrey will not be considered an employee of the City of Waveland for the purposes of Workman's Compensation or any other special benefits.

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER/DIAMONDHEAD/TRANSFER/AGREEMENTS/ CONTRACTS/LITTER CONTROL**

**Re: Intergovernmental Transfer of Assets from Diamondhead, MS – Light bar for Litter Control Truck**

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Piazza to approve an Intergovernmental Transfer of Assets from the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi for the transfer of one (1) green vehicle light bar (SECO1) to be placed on the litter control truck, and authorize the Mayor's signature thereon. **(EXHIBIT H)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**TRANSFER/FIRE DEPARTMENT/PARKS AND RECREATIONS**

**Re: Transfer 1 Dodge Dakota from Fire Department to Parks and Recreations Department**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Burke to transfer one (1) 2006, Dodge Dakota 4x4 pickup truck VIN-1D7HW48N56S536308, Tag – G55189, from the Fire Department to the Parks and Recreations Department. This vehicle is no longer needed by the Fire Department.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**PLANNING AND ZONING/DUBUC LANE/ABANDONMENT**

**Re: Motion Withdrawn Regarding Abandonment of Street between Dubuc Lane & Taranto Streets**

Alderman Piazza moved, seconded by Alderman Burke to discuss and remand to Planning & Zoning Commission the issue to close a portion of an unnamed street between Dubuc Lane and Taranto Street as requested by Alderman Piazza.

Alderman Lafontaine asked if this should go to Planning and Zoning first. Mrs. Yarborough said yes it is, it's considered a subdivision under the City's subdivision ordinance so requires public notice and hearing. Mr. Anderson said the road and utilities had been installed with CDBG funds and part of a HUD/Federal project in 2009 to enhance the sewer loop in that area; he sought the guidance of Mrs. Yarborough and Mayor Smith prior to approving the closing of this road. Alderman Piazza said they're not asking that it be abandoned, just closed; people are going back there and using it as a dump. Mrs. Yarborough said if this is a Waveland right-of-way, more than likely it can't be closed without vacating it. The City can't close a public street and not allow the public on it without vacating it first and determining who the underlying owner is. Mr. Anderson said there is a water and sewer line going right down the middle of this street with manholes. Alderman Lafontaine asked what the legal recommendation would be on this issue. Mrs. Yarborough said it would not be in the City's best interest; she did not think you can necessarily close a street indefinitely without it being vacated and once you vacate the street the underlying ownership reverts to the adjacent property owners. That would then remove any right that the City has to the underlying utilities which would be an impediment to upkeep and maintenance. Alderman Lafontaine requested the placement of cameras in the dumping area. Alderman Piazza asked Mrs. Yarborough if he should withdraw this motion. Mrs. Yarborough said she felt it would be in the best interest of the City.

Alderman Piazza and Alderman Burke withdrew their motion and second.

**LEASE AGREEMENTS/GAS DISTRIBUTION/UTILITY DEPARTMENT/CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS**

**Re: Lease of Natural Gas System**

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to **TABLE** approval of a Lease Agreement between Mississippi Natural Inc. and the City of Waveland to lease the City's natural gas distribution system, including easements, rights of way, roads and other City property. Lessee shall maintain and operate gas distribution system and pay City a fee of 2% of the monthly gross collected revenues for a 10 year period; approval shall authorize Mayor's signature thereon.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**CITYWIDE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT/DRAINAGE PROJECT/KAPPA DEVELOPMENT/TRANSFER FUNDS/HMGP/DEPOSITORY ACCOUNT**  
**Re: Transfer of Funds from HMGP Anticipation Note to Depository Bank Account for Kappa Invoice No. 7 – Citywide Drainage Improvements Project**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Burke to approve transfer of funds from the HMGP Anticipation Note in the amount of \$342,000.00 to the Depository Bank Account to pay Kappa Development Invoice No. 7 related to the HMGP Citywide Drainage Improvements Project #1604-0420.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**INVOICES/JEFF DAVIS-GULFSIDE STREET SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT/CITYWIDE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT/DRAINAGE PROJECT/W. JEFF DAVIS SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT/E. JEFF DAVIS SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT/JEFF DAVIS SEWER CONNECTOR SERVICE/ GULFSIDE SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT/GARFIELD LADNER MEMORIAL PIER REPAIRS PROJECT/PIER/SYCAMORE STREET EMERGENCY SEWER REPAIR PROJECT**  
**Re: Payment of Invoices by Various Contractors**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to approve the following invoices submitted by various contractors and recommended to be placed in line for payment consideration contingent upon receiving funding from grant sources, if needed, as listed (Items a-j): **(EXHIBIT I)**

- a) Payment Request No. 16 from Hensley R. Lee Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$36,733.37 – Jeff Davis-Gulfside Street Sewer Improvements Project.
- b) Pay Application No. 7 from Kappa Development in the amount of \$341,975.75 – Citywide Drainage Project.
- c) Invoice No. 702-36-22A from Digital Engineering in the amount of \$1,258.01 – W. Jeff Davis Sewer System Improvements Project, P.O. #1135
- d) Invoice No. 702-37-23A from Digital Engineering in the amount of \$825.00 – E. Jeff Davis Sewer Improvement Project, P.O.#1136
- e) Invoice 702-38-23A from Digital Engineering in the amount of \$3,028.77 – Jeff Davis Connector Sewers and Paving Project, P.O. #1137.
- f) Invoice 702-39-16A from Digital Engineering in the amount of \$775.00 – Gulfside Sewer and Paving Project, P.O. #1138.
- g) Invoice 0076927 from Pickering Firm, Inc. in the amount of \$12,068.70 – Citywide Drainage Improvements Project
- h) Pay Application No. 4 from Coastal Marine Contractors, LLC. in the amount of \$267,438.74 – Garfield Ladner Memorial Pier Repairs project.
- i) Invoice No. 213-017-27 from Compton Engineering in the amount of \$9,475.00 – Garfield Ladner Memorial Pier Repairs Project.
- j) Invoice No. 215-046-1 from Compton Engineering in the amount of \$3,000.00 – Sycamore Street Emergency Sewer Repair Project.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**Re: Invoice No. 17 from Hensley R. Lee – Jeff Davis/Gulfside Sewer Improvements Project**

Alderman Piazza moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to **TABLE** approval of Invoice No. 17 from Hensley R. Lee Contracting in the amount of \$682,045.28 – Jeff Davis/Gulfside Sewer Improvements Project and approve to add this issue to the agenda of the Special Meeting of July 8, 2015.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**PERSONNEL/STREETS DEPARTMENT**

**Re: Ratify New Hire - Mr. Eugene LeMay as Streets Department Laborer**

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Piazza to ratify hiring Mr. Eugene LeMay as Streets Department laborer at \$10.00 per hour, pending passage of drug test.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**COURT DEPARTMENT/PERSONNEL/STREETS DEPARTMENT/BIDS/SYCAMORE STREET SEWER REPAIRS PROJECT**

Spread on the minutes the following as listed, Items (a - c):

- a) Certificates of completion of the Municipal Court Clerk Association Summer Seminar by Court Clerk Rhonda Cummings and Deputy Court Clerk Anitra Freeman. **(EXHIBIT J)**
- b) Termination of Mr. Laronne Lewis from Streets Department.
- c) Bids for the Sycamore Street Sewer Repairs Project were opened immediately prior this Board meeting and taken under advisement.

Prior to the Executive Session motion, Sea Coast Echo Reporter Dwayne Bremer read from a prepared statement opposing the Executive Session issue regarding contractual negotiations with Hancock County Utility Authority. Mrs. Yarborough said this is the purpose of the motion for the closed discussion, to determine if the issues qualify.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Re: Closed door discussion regarding whether contract negotiations-HCUA will qualify for Executive Session**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Burke to consider Executive Session to prompt a closed discussion regarding contract negotiations with Hancock County Utility Authority and purchase of real property.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

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**Meeting of July 7 2015**  
**6:30 P.M.**

The Board exited closed discussion and modified the motion to approve only Executive Session discussion related to the purchase of real property, not discussion regarding contract negotiations with the Hancock County Utility Authority.

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to enter Executive Session regarding purchase of real property. Let the minutes reflect that the discussion related to contract negotiation with the Hancock County Utility Authority did not qualify for Executive Session.

City Attorney Yarborough said, "And that's under MS. Code Section 25-41-7 (g)".

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Piazza to exit Executive Session with no action taken.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**ADJOURN**

**Re: Adjourn meeting at 8:55 p.m.**

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Piazza to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine, and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

The foregoing minutes were presented to Mayor Smith on July 24, 2015.

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Lisa Planchard  
City Clerk

The Minutes of July 7, 2015 have been read and approved by me on this day the 24<sup>th</sup> of July 2015.

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Mike Smith  
Mayor