

Mayor & Board of Aldermen Special Call Meeting August 21, 2023 Minutes

Be it remembered that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ocean Springs met in a Special Call Meeting at City Hall in the City of Ocean Springs at 5:00 p.m. on August 21, 2023. Mayor Holloway presided, and Aldermen Burgess, Authement, Wade, Papania, Blackman, and Impey were present. Alderman Cox attended the meeting by teleconference pursuant to Section 25-41-5 of the Mississippi Code. Also present were City Attorney Robert Wilkinson, City Attorney Will Norman, City Clerk Patty Gaston, Deputy City Clerk Vicky Hupe, and Police Captain Ryan Lemaire.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Alderman Impey and seconded by Alderman Blackman to accept the agenda. The motion carried with a roll call vote as follows:

Aye: Alderman Burgess, Alderman Authement, Alderman Wade, Alderman Cox, Alderman Papania, Alderman Blackman, and Alderman Impey

Nay: None

1. The object of the meeting will be any matters pertaining to:

a. Authorize Termination of Saltus (Digiticket) Agreement with Sixty-Day Written Notice

The City Clerk said that the Police have decided to switch back to paper tickets and will no longer utilize the Digiticket system. She said the monitors are too small and there is a glare issue during the day. A motion was made by Alderman Authement and seconded by Alderman Wade to authorize the termination of the Saltus (Digiticket) Agreement and send a sixty-day written notice. The motion carried with a roll call vote as follows:

Aye: Alderman Burgess, Alderman Authement, Alderman Wade, Alderman Cox, Alderman Papania, Alderman Blackman, and Alderman Impey

Nay: None

b. Proposed Resolution and attached Exhibit A - Urban Renewal Plan

The City Attorney explained the proposed Urban Renewal Plan will be the basis of the Redevelopment Authority. He said just because a parcel is listed doesn't mean the Redevelopment Authority will do anything to the property. He said if approved tonight, it then goes to the Planning Commission for review to determine if it matches with the City's overall Comprehensive Plan, then it will come back before the Board for a Public Hearing, then it will go to a vote and if adopted it will authorize the Redevelopment Authority to officially form. He said the Public Hearing will need to be set tonight for publication requirements. The Mayor explained the properties listed are required to be

slum, blighted, or underdeveloped. A motion was made by Alderman Impey and seconded by Alderman Papania to adopt the Resolution setting up a public hearing for the Urban Renewal Plan on September 18, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. The motion carried with a roll call vote as follows:

Aye: Alderman Burgess, Alderman Authement, Alderman Papania, Alderman Blackman, and Alderman Impey

Nay: Alderman Wade, and Alderman Cox

A motion was made by Alderman Impey and seconded by Alderman Papania to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with a roll call vote as follows:

Aye: Alderman Burgess, Alderman Authement, Alderman Wade, Alderman Cox, Alderman Papania, Alderman Blackman, and Alderman Impey

Nay: None

The meeting ended at 5:11 p.m.

Mayor 

City Clerk 

