

CITY OF OCEAN SPRINGS - MAYOR & BOARD OF ALDERMEN RECESS MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2024 MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Be it remembered that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ocean Springs met in a Recess Meeting at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. on September 17, 2024. Mayor Holloway presided, and Aldermen Burgess, Authement, Wade, Cox, Papania, Blackman, and Impey were present. Also present were City Attorney Robert Wilkinson, City Attorney Will Norman, City Clerk Patty Gaston, Deputy City Clerk Vicky Hupe, Police Chief Ryan Lemaire, Fire Chief Ryan Heath, Building Official Darrell Stringfellow, Public Works Director Allan Ladnier, Community Development Director Carter Thompson, Grants Administrator Carolyn Martin, Parks & Recreation Director Stephen Glorioso, Project Manager Sarah Harris, Arts & Culture Coordinator Sarah Qarqish, and Admin & Community Relations Coordinator Ravin Nettles.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Parks & Recreation Director gave the invocation and Alderman Wade led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Alderman Impey, seconded by Alderman Blackman, and unanimously carried to accept the agenda.

PRESENTATION

a. Historic Ocean Springs Association Update - Melanie Allen

Melanie Allen, President of HOSA, provided the Board with an update on their ongoing projects within the city. These include the HOSA Tinney-Griffies Scholarship, the HOSA Interpretive Signage Project, the John Blossman Memorial Garden at Shearwater Park, the dedication of the Stebly Art Mural, the OS Tree Canopy Renewal Project, and the OS Gateway Art Project.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Adopt a Resolution adopting the 2024 - 2025 Uniform Assessment Schedule

A motion was made by Alderman Blackman, seconded by Alderman Cox, and unanimously carried to open the Public Hearing.

The Deputy City Clerk explained the Public Hearing was approved and scheduled by Resolution at the 9/3 regular meeting and the schedule has been available for viewing

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at City Hall. This is to allow public comment before adoption.

No public comment.

A motion was made by Alderman Blackman, seconded by Alderman Wade, and unanimously carried to close the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Alderman Impey and seconded by Alderman Cox to adopt the 2024-2025 Uniform Assessment Schedule. The motion carried with a roll call vote as follows:

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

Nay: None

AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Alderman Impey, seconded by Alderman Cox, and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda, except item 6-e pulled by Alderman Cox.

Mayor:

- a. Approve the proposal from Fulgham's Tree Preservation for \$2,550.00
- b. Approve Run Permit Application for the Pride 5K Run on Saturday, October 5, 2024, from 6:30 p.m. until 10:00 p.m., Front Beach/Bridge Run; there will be no overtime cost incurred by the City
- c. Approve the Special Event Permit Application for the Walter Anderson Museum of Art (WAMA) Wonderland Illuminated Event on December 6, 2024, from 5:30 p.m. until 10:00 p.m., Joseph Street closure from WAMA to The Traveler, city sponsorship, at no cost to the City, the applicant pays associated event cost
- d. Approve the Historic Ocean Springs Association's \$3,000 request for the Interpretive Sign Project

Mary C. O'Keefe Cultural Center:

- e. Authorize the Arts & Culture Coordinator to execute the Janitorial Services Agreement with Campbell Enterprises Corporation for the cleaning of the Mary C on an as-needed basis

A motion was made by Alderman Cox, seconded by Alderman Authement, and unanimously carried to authorize the Arts & Culture Coordinator to execute the Janitorial Services Agreement with Campbell Enterprises Cooperation for the cleaning of the Mary C on an as-needed basis with expenses capped at \$2,500 per year without further Board approval.

- f. Authorize the Mayor and the Arts & Culture Coordinator to execute the MOU and Hold Harmless with Ocean Springs Art Association (OSAA)

City Clerk:

- g. Ratify the Proclamation declaring a local emergency due to Hurricane Francine
- h. Approve Minutes: Regular Meeting September 3, 2024
- i. Adopt a Resolution terminating the local emergency due to Hurricane Francine

Police Department:

- j. Accept OSPD monthly report for August 2024

Fire Department:

- k. Accept the OSFD Monthly Report for August 2024
- l. Authorize the Mayor to execute an MOU with Jackson County Emergency Communications District for an Interoperability Channel Plan

Human Resources/Risk Management:

- m. Accept the resignation of Patrolman Jonathan Ipock, effective September 11, 2024; authorize to begin the process of filling the vacant position
- n. Accept the resignation of Patrolman Madeline Boccaleri, effective September 26, 2024; authorize to begin the process of filling the vacant position
- o. Authorize removal of Firefighter Brett Dodson from probationary status to full time status effective September 27, 2024

Planning Commission (PC):

- p. Approve a lot split for 706 Porter Ave/PID#60137616.000 zoned CMX-1; PC recommends approval

Historic Preservation Commission (HPC):

- q. Approve a Certificate of Appropriateness at 1310 Bowen Ave/PID#60137138.000 for a small golf cart cover; HPC recommends approval
- r. Approve a Certificate of Appropriateness at 207 Washington Avenue/PID#61360007.000 Jodi Harris for a retaining wall, fence and pergola; HPC recommends approval
- s. Approve Certificate of Appropriateness at 706 Porter Ave/PID#60137616.000/ for renovations to the back cottage; HPC recommends approval
- t. Approve a Certificate of Appropriateness at 102 Shearwater Dr./PID# 60130550.000/Mary & Ken Muneoka for the demolition of the existing house and the construction of a new dwelling; HPC recommends approval

Grants Administration:

- u. Authorize Execution of Closeout Documents – R-109-282-08-KCR: Fort Bayou Improvements/Katrina Disaster Recovery Funds (KCDBG) – Moran Hauling, Inc.
- v. Adopt a Resolution to modify the Name of Donated Right-of-Way – Levins Enterprises, LLC to Levi Lane
- w. Approve Modifications to the Previously Adopted Uniform Guidance Procurement Policy for Compliance with Federal 2 CFR Part 200 Requirements for Use of Federal Funds

Building Department:

- x. Approve the Building Official's recommendations for the tree applications received through September 10, 2024
- y. Accept the Building Department Totals for August 2024
- z. Accept Code Report through September 11, 2024

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- a. City Clerk: Approve payment: Docket of Claims, all expenditures are appropriate and authorized by law, and spread summary on the Minutes

A motion was made by Alderman Wade, seconded by Alderman Authement, and unanimously carried to approve the Docket of Claims finding that all expenditures are appropriate and authorized by law, and spread the summary on the minutes.

- b. City Clerk: Authorize the adjustment of water/sewer accounts due to a finding that the customers did not receive the benefit of the utility and the excess usage was due to unforeseen circumstances

A motion was made by Alderman Authement, seconded by Alderman Wade, and unanimously carried to adjust the water/sewer accounts listed, with the finding that the customers did not receive the benefit of the utility and excess usage was due to unforeseen circumstances.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Marie Garbin, Ken Williams, Betty Desporte, Eamon Mohiuddin, Paul Singh, E. Brian Rose, Ellen Hall, and Julia Illanne addressed the Mayor and the Board.

MAYOR AND ALDERMEN'S FORUM

Alderman Burgess asked the Parks & Recreation Director when the fence at John Gill Park would be installed. He replied that he would get an update this week.

A motion was made by Alderman Authement, seconded by Alderman Cox, and

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