



**RECESS MEETING AGENDA
CITY OF OCEAN SPRINGS
MAYOR & BOARD OF ALDERMEN
TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025 - 6:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PROCLAMATION

- a. National Day of Prayer - May 1, 2025

4. AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT *** The Public is invited to address the Board for up to 3 minutes each for a maximum period of 30 minutes, **ONLY regarding issues listed on this agenda.** The Board will take all comments under advisement for potential action if warranted. **Please identify yourself and the agenda item.** If no agenda item is stated, you will be asked to hold your comment until General Public Comment at the end of the meeting.*

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Adopt Resolution requesting assistance from Jackson County regarding the Hanshaw Road Bridge

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Authorize the Interim Fire Chief to collaborate with the City Attorney on drafting a Burn Ordinance
- b. Authorize the City Attorney to draft a no parking ordinance for Desoto Street along the curbside of Hancock Bank

7. CONSENT AGENDA ** All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board of Aldermen and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be a separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.*

Mayor:

- a. Approve the Special Event Permit Application for the Mardi Hop on January 10, 2026, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Downtown - Bowen Ave. to Bellande Ave. to City Hall to end at Mosaics, at no cost to the City, the applicant will pay the associated event cost
- b. Approve the Special Event Permit Application for OS Carnival Association Night Parade on February 13, 2026, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., location will be the Parade route, overtime costs will be incurred by the city, road closures will be determined at later date

- c. Authorize waiver of rental fee of Fort Maurepas for Ocean Springs Middle School 7th grade academic celebration on April 17, 2025, from 8:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; to advertise the resources of the City
- d. Authorize waiver of rental fee of Fort Maurepas for Ocean Springs Jr. Citizens Club on April 30, 2025, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.; to advertise the resources of the City

City Clerk:

- e. Approve Minutes: Regular Meeting March 4, 2025

Police Department:

- f. Accept OSPD monthly report for February 2025
- g. Authorize to declare surplus, no use to the City, remove from inventory and send to auction - Police Department Equipment

Fire Department:

- h. Accept OSFD monthly report for February 2025
- i. Accept the donation of safety equipment from Chevron Corporation Pascagoula - six 3M SCOTT Safety Airpacks, six 3M SCOTT cylinders & valves, and six 3M SCOTT Kevlar face pieces with 4-point straps
- j. Accept the donation of cooking equipment from Walmart Corp Ocean Springs - Blackstone Griddle & Cover and Blackstone Pizza Oven with Stand

Human Resources/Risk Management:

- k. Authorize employment of James Eric Parker, Patrolman, Step 3, \$24.00 hourly rate; effective March 19, 2025; one-year probationary status, pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements
- l. Authorize promotion of Dispatcher Jennifer Mizell to Lead Dispatcher, Step 2, \$18.03 hourly rate; effective March 29, 2025; six-months probationary status
- m. Authorize employment of Christy McLendon, Dispatcher, Step 4, \$16.39 hourly rate; effective March 19, 2025; one-year probationary status, pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements
- n. Authorize employment of Jasmine Williams, Dispatcher, Step 2, \$15.45 hourly rate; effective March 19, 2025; one-year probationary status, pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements
- o. Accept termination of part-time Patrolman, employee #2460, effective March 12, 2025; authorize to begin the process of filling the vacant position
- p. Authorize promotion of Parks Grounds Supervisor Duval Brown to Parks Assistant Director, Step 1, \$25.25 hourly rate; effective March 29, 2025; six-months probationary status
- q. Authorize promotion of Parks Maintenance Technician Edward Ward to Parks

Maintenance Assistant Supervisor, Step 5, \$20.12 hourly rate; effective March 29, 2025; six-months probationary status

- r. Accept resignation of Custodial Supervisor Archie Heidelberg, effective March 21, 2025; authorize to begin the process of filling the vacant position
- s. Accept resignation of Parks Grounds Maintenance Worker Johnathon Pitts, effective March 14, 2025; authorize to begin the process of filling the vacant position
- t. Accept resignation of Custodian Richard Cox, effective March 5, 2025; authorize to begin the process of filling the vacant position

Zoning Adjustment Board (ZAB):

- u. Approve a variance request at 96 Sheridan Ct. PID: 61150002.000 – to reduce the north side setback from 5 feet to 3.5 feet; ZAB recommends approval
- v. Approve a variance request at 414 Magnolia Ave – PID: 60130790.025 – to reduce the north side setback from 10 ft to 8 ft.; ZAB recommends approval

Grants Administration:

- w. Authorize Staff to Request Project Activation – MDOT Transportation Improvements Program (TIP) – Intersection Improvements for Highway 90 @ Washington Avenue and MLK, Jr. Blvd.

Building Department:

- x. Accept the Building Department Permit Report for February 2025
- y. Accept Code Enforcement Report through March 13, 2025
- z. Approve the Building Official's recommendations for the tree applications received through March 13, 2025

Parks & Recreation Department:

- aa. Authorize to declare surplus, no use to the City, remove from inventory and send to auction - Parks & Recreation items

Public Works:

- bb. Authorize to declare surplus, no use to the City, remove from inventory and send to auction - Public Works Department Equipment

8. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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

- 9. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT** *The public is invited to address the Board, for up to 3 minutes each for a maximum period of 30 minutes. **Only two speakers will be allowed per side of each issue.** The Board will take all comments under advisement to take potential action at a later date if warranted. Priority will be given to Ocean Springs residents and Business Owners. **Please identify yourself before speaking.***

10. MAYOR AND ALDERMEN'S FORUM

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURN UNTIL 6: 00 P.M. on APRIL 1, 2025