

MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS APRIL 4, 2017

The Mayor and City Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, April 4, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. in the Court Chambers of the Municipal Complex. Mayor Robert Smith presided over the meeting and all Council Members were present. Also present were the COO, CFO, General Counsel, Police Chief, and the Human Resources Director.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Mayor Robert E. Smith, Sr. called the meeting to order and called upon Council Member Box to offer the Invocation.

II. APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF MARCH 21, 2017.

Council Member Mickens made a motion to approve the Minutes for the Meeting of April 4, 2017. Council Member Jones seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

III. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS FOR APRIL 4, 2017.

Council Member Taylor made a motion to approve the Docket of Claims for April 4, 2017 in the amount of \$856,190.41. Council Member Box seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

IV. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA:

Add Item "S" - Approve request for seven (7) new Police Officers to travel to Moorehead, MS for the Pre-Academy Physical.

REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

Add Proclamation Honoring Mr. Al Hatcher.

Add Chief Lewis & CPD Fundraiser Presentation to Brewer Family.

Add Civil Service Commission to Board Vacancies.

Council Member Taylor made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented, with the above amendments. Council Member Mickens seconded the motion. The Mayor called for discussion, and there being none, the Council voted unanimously in favor of same.

V. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue Chief of Training to attend the "Peer Assessment of Skokie Fire Department" to be held in Skokie, IL at no cost to City.
- B. Approve request for two (2) Fire and Rescue Personnel to attend "SC Vehicle Extrication & Rescue: Levels 1-II" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment for registration, travel and meal expenses.
- C. Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue Administrative Assistant to attend "Emergency Services Administrative Professionals Conference" to be held in Gulfport, MS, and approve payment for registration, lodging, travel and meal expenses.
- D. Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue Engineer to attend "Fire Service Instructor 1041-1" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment for registration, travel and meal expenses.
- E. Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue Deputy Fire Marshal to attend "NFPA Fire Officer 1021-III-IV and Mississippi Fire Officer Program" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment for registration, travel and meal expenses.
- F. Approve request for the COO to attend the "Air Force National Security Forum" to be held in Montgomery, AL, and approve payment for registration, lodging, travel and meal expenses.
- G. Approve request for the Interim City Planner and Community Outreach Director to attend the "Mississippi Home Corporation Annual Conference" to be held in Biloxi, MS, and approve payment for registration, lodging, travel, and meal expenses.
- H. Approve request for the Victims Advocate Coordinator to attend the "Bridge of Victim Advocacy to Underserved Communities Training" to be held in Biloxi, MS, and approve payment for travel expenses.

- I. Accept letter of resignation from CPD Officer, Joshua McCain, effective April 5, 2017.
- J. Accept letter of resignation from CPD Reserve Officer, Tony Hunt, effective March 21, 2017.
- K. Approve request for CPD Officers Rhonda Sanders and Kevin McCrary to attend a "Career Fair" to be held in Memphis, TN, and approve payment of \$113.00 each for lodging, travel, and reimbursement of meal expenses for each.
- L. Approve request for CPD Chief Oscar Lewis to attend the "Law Enforcement Training Academy's Graduation" to be held in Pearl, MS, and approve payment of \$30.00 for travel expenses.
- M. Approve request for the CPD to solicit donations at Krispy Kreme for the "Mississippi Special Olympics" to be held on April 15, 2017.
- N. Approve request for the CPD to fundraise for "Relay for Life" on April 28, 2017.
- O. Approve permit request submitted by Patsy Winklepleck on behalf of PACCAR Engine Co./YMCA to host a "5K Run" to be held on Saturday, April 22, 2017, from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m.. The route will be from 6th Street North to 3rd Avenue North, to 3rd Street, to Coretta Street, to Riverwalk, to Soccer Complex and to 2nd Avenue North.
- P. Approve permit request submitted by JoAnn Richardson, Coleman Head Start Director, to host the Story Book Parade to be held on April 25, 2017, from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. The route will begin on 22nd Street South, go to 8th Avenue to 9th Avenue and will end on 22nd Street South.
- Q. Ratify request to pay a contractor for service rendered to repair bottom of drawer In Training Director's office.
- R. Approve request for Building Inspector to attend the "Building Officials Association of Mississippi (BOAM) 2017 Summer Conference in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and approve payment for registration, lodging, travel and meal expenses.
- S. *Approve request for seven (7) new Police Officers to travel to Moorehead, MS on April 18, 2017 for the Pre-Academy Physical.*

Council Member Jones made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, with the above amendments. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion. The Mayor called for discussion, and there being none, the Council voted unanimously in favor of same.

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

A. General Comments from the Mayor and Council Members

- Proclamation Honoring Mr. Al Hatcher
- Chief Lewis & CPD Fundraiser Presentation to Brewer Family

B. Board Vacancies

Tree Board

- 1 Vacancy
- 3-Year Term
- Term expired for Christina Berry on 12/5/2016.
- Appointment can be made immediately.

Applicant

- Bruce Sansing, Jr.

Civil Service Commission

- 1 Vacancy due to resignation of Al Hatcher
- Unexpired 4-Year Term ending 8/5/2018
- Appointment can be made May 2, 2017.
- No applicants at this time

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

- Columbus Crime Watch Representative

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

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| K. Stafford | A. | Discuss/Approve installation of two (2) speed humps on Sand Road. |
| K. Stafford | B. | Discuss/Approve Bids for Deer Run and College Street Box Culvert Replacement Projects and approve lowest bidder. |
| K. Stafford | C. | Discuss/Approve to submit the CLCA FY2017 AIP Grant Application in June. |
| K. Stafford | D. | Discuss/Approve the Columbus-Lowndes County Airport (CLCA) FY2017 AIP Grant Engineering Contract. |
| K. Stafford | E. | Discuss/Approve permission to advertise the CLCA FY2017 AIP Grant Project in April and receive bids in May. |
| K. Turner | F. | Discuss/Approve Police Study Update/Crime Lab Recommendations. |

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Personnel Matter (1) – Family Medical Leave