

# **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

## **MUNICIPAL MINUTES CITY OF TUPELO**

### **STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

**APRIL 18, 2023**

Be it remembered that a regular meeting of the Tupelo City Council was held in the Council Chambers in the City Hall building on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. with the following in attendance: Council Members Chad Mims, Lynn Bryan, Travis Beard, Nettie Davis, Buddy Palmer, Janet Gaston and Rosie Jones; Ben Logan, City Attorney and Missy Shelton, Clerk of the Council. Council Member Buddy Palmer led the invocation. Council Member Janet Gaston introduced Boy Scout Troop #3 who led the pledge of allegiance after Mayor Todd Jordan called each of their names.

Council President Lynn Bryan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

### **CONFIRMATION OR AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA AND AGENDA ORDER**

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Palmer, to confirm the agenda and agenda order, with the following additions and changes:

ADD:

Item # 3        IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN MS TASK FORCE AND CITY OF TUPELO FIRE DEPARTMENT

Item #S1        IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENT TO ANIMAL ORDINANCES – TETHERING

CORRECTION:

Item # 9        IN THE MATTER OF BID APPROVAL FOR THE LEE ACRES PARK PICKLEBALL COMPLEX BID # 2023-017PR

The vote was unanimous in favor.

### **PUBLIC RECOGNITION**

Council Member Beard commented that the Boy Scout Troop #3 is a very good looking group of young men.

### **MAYOR'S REMARKS**

Mayor Todd Jordan commented that the recent concert held at the Cadence Bank Arena was a great concert. He also said that the ARPA funds for the City of Tupelo had been confirmed.

### **IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION FOR AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION OF LEGGETT & PLATT COMPONENTS #0341, 0908 AND 4201**

Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to approve A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUPELO, MISSISSIPPI, GRANTING EXEMPTION

FROM MUNICIPAL AD VALOREM TAXES, EXCEPT SCHOOL TAXES, TO LEGGETT & PLATT COMPONENTS COMPANY, INC. #0341, #0908 AND #4201 AS AUTHORIZED BY MISSISSIPPI CODE ANNOTATED OF 1972 § 27-31-105 AND § 27-31-105, (AS AMENDED), for a period of ten (10) years, beginning the 1st day of January 2023 and ending the 31st day of December 2032, with a total true value of \$804,298.71. The vote was unanimous in favor. An executed copy of the Resolution is attached to these minutes and incorporated herein as APPENDIX A.

**IN THE MATTER OF REVIEW/APPROVE REQUEST TO ESTABLISH THE GROVE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**

Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council Member Davis to approve the creation of the Grove Neighborhood Association. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX B

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 4, 2023, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2023, regular City Council meeting. The vote was unanimous in favor.

**IN THE MATTER OF BILL PAY**

Bills were reviewed at 4:30 p.m. by Council Members Beard, Gaston, Bryan and Palmer. Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to approve the payment of the checks, bills, claims and utility adjustments. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX C

**IN THE MATTER OF ADVERTISING AND PROMOTIONAL ITEMS**

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Palmer, to approve the advertising and promotional items, as presented. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX D

**IN THE MATTER OF BUDGET AMENDMENT #6 FOR FY 2023**

Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to approve Budget Amendment #6 for 2023, as presented by CFO/City Clerk Kim Hanna. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX E

**IN THE MATTER OF THE 2022 CONTINUING DISCLOSURE**

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Mims, to accept the Continuing Disclosure Statement prepared by Butler Snow. City Attorney Ben Logan explained that the Electronic Municipal Market Access, (EMMA), requires a yearly statement from any entity with outstanding bond debt. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX F

**IN THE MATTER OF A RESOLUTION DECLARING A MORATORIUM UP TO AND UNTIL JULY 31, 2023 ON ALL CONSTRUCTION RELATED PERMIT FEES OWED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DUE TO DAMAGES SUSTAINED BY THE APRIL 1, 2023 TORNADO**

Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council Member Palmer to approve a RESOLUTION DECLARING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON ALL CONSTRUCTION RELATED PERMIT FEES OWED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, due to damages sustained by the April 1, 2023, tornado. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX G

**IN THE MATTER OF BID FOR LEE ACRES PARK PICKLEBALL COMPLEX BID # 2023-017PR**

Bids were received by the City of Tupelo for Bid # 2023-017PR for the Lee Acres Park Pickleball Complex. Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to award the lowest and best bid of M & N Construction LLC in the amount of \$1,285,300.00, which includes both the base bid and Alternates #1 and #2. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX H

**IN THE MATTER OF CVB BOARD MINUTES OF APRIL 4, 2023**

Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Davis, to accept the minutes of the Convention and Visitors Bureau of April 4, 2023. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX I

**IN THE MATTER OF AWARD OF BID # 2023-001WL – 161:15 kV POWER TRANSFORMER**

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to award the bid # 2023-001WL - 161:15kV Power Transformer, to the lowest and best bid of Howard Power Solutions, in the amount of \$1,098,300.00. An order spelling out the details is attached to these minutes. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX J

**IN THE MATTER OF AWARD OF BID # 2023-002WL – 333 kVA SINGLE PHASE VOLTAGE REGULATORS**

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to award Bid # 2023-002WL - 333kVA Single Phase Voltage Regulators to the lowest and best bid of Siemens Energy, Inc. in the total amount of \$426,156.00. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX K

**IN THE MATTER OF AWARD OF BID # 2023-004WL – 161 kV POWER CIRCUIT BREAKERS**

Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to award Bid # 2023-004WL - 161 kV Power Circuit Breakers to the lowest and best bid of GE Grid Solutions in the total amount of \$161,850.00. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX L

**IN THE MATTER OF AWARD OF BID # 2023-005WL – CONTROL HOUSE AND ASSOCIATED RELAY EQUIPMENT**

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to award Bid # 2023-005WL - Control House and Associated Relay Equipment to the lowest and best bid of KVA, Inc. in the total amount of \$386,713.00. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX M

**IN THE MATTER OF AWARD OF BID # 2023-006WL – 13 kV POWER CIRCUIT BREAKERS**

Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to award Bid # 2023-006WL - 13 kV Power Circuit Breakers to the lowest and best bid of ABB, Inc. in the total amount of \$136,528.00. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX N

**IN THE MATTER OF AWARD OF BID # 2023-016WL – PRIMARY TO NORTHWEST SUBSTATION 46kV TRANSMISSION LINE POLE CHANGEOUT**

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to award Bid # 2023-016WL - 1 Primary to Northwest Substation 46 kV Transmission Line Pole Changeout to the lowest and best bid of Service Electric Company in the total amount of \$589,158.60. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX O

**IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF SURPLUS ITEM**

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Mims, to find these items no longer needed by the City of Tupelo and to approve the list of items provided by Tupelo Water & Light to be surplus and sold at auction. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX P

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE MS TASK FORCE AND THE CITY OF TUPELO FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Palmer, to approve the memorandum of understanding between the MS Task Force and the City of Tupelo Fire Department. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX Q

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENT TO ANIMAL ORDINANCES**

Upon the unanimous agreement of the City Council, the request to amend the animal ordinances was moved from the Study Agenda to the Active Agenda at the next regular meeting of the City Council.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 PM. The vote was unanimous in favor. This the 18th day of April, 2023.

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Lynn Bryan, Council President

ATTEST:

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Missy Shelton, Council Clerk

APPROVED

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Todd Jordan, Mayor

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Date