

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MUNICIPAL MINUTES CITY OF TUPELO

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

AUGUST 03, 2021

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, August 3, 2021, 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 Lynn Bryan led the invocation. Council Member Nettie Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council President Buddy Palmer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

CONFIRMATION OR AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA AND AGENDA ORDER

Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to confirm the agenda and agenda order, with the following change:

ADD ITEM: #18 IN THE MATTER OF DEMOLITION RESOLUTIONS (tabled at the July 20, 2021 meeting)

The vote was unanimous in favor.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Council Member Beard encouraged all to be cautious due to the increase of COVID-19 cases. He also reminded everyone to remember the families of those whose loved ones lost their lives in the recent shooting events.

Council Member Davis also asked everyone to remember the victims of the shootings, their families and communities. She told everyone that she celebrated another birthday last Saturday and was inducted into the MML Hall of Fame at the recent MML Conference.

MAYOR'S REMARKS

Mayor Jordan wished Mrs. Davis a Happy Birthday and congratulations on her recent Hall of Fame induction. He also echoed the sentiments of the councilmembers about the recent lives lost and thanked the Police Department and all the others who have worked on the case. He

congratulated Alex Farned, Marcus Gary and Hannah Maharrey on their participation in the recent MML Conference, where they were asked to teach classes.

PUBLIC AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS

IN MATTER OF A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TUPELO BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2021 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

The following individuals were present to address this issue:

Jeff Tomlinson	Lee County Library
Robbie Parham	Regional Rehabilitation Center
Phil Daughdrill	Regional Rehabilitation Center

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR LOT MOWING

A public hearing was held for the following properties concerning lot mowing:

Parcel	Location
105D1505300	3139 MOORE AVE
105D1503500	3064 MOORE AVE
085N2103601	ELVIS PRESLEY DR
105H1501200	3492 ROBERT KENNEDY DR
112F0400100	1902 BRIAR RIDGE RD
101D0107000	1106 FILLMORE DR
113T0501500	PAYNE ST
088N3313300	1299 HANKINS ST
085N2101200	1641 OAKVIEW CIR
085P2101700	1582 OAKVIEW DR
077P3503800	410 LAKEVIEW DR
088A2800700	1792 ELVIS PRESLEY DR
077Q3615300	1527 CENTRAL
077R3607300	1243 BOGGAN DR
089N3103400	S PARK ST
077Q3605200	1309 W MAIN ST
077R3612601	113 LAWDALE DR
089P3118000	371 S GREEN ST
089F3002700	528 W BARNES ST
089F3005400	527 W BARNES ST

No one appeared to speak on any of these properties.

CITIZEN HEARING

Mr. Carlos Conde, of 1972 Oakview Dr, Tupelo, Mississippi 38804, appeared to speak to the Council concerning the possibility of receiving a refund for trash pickup during the January, 2021, winter weather.

ROUTINE AGENDA

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF JULY 19, 2021 AND REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING JULY 20, 2021

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to approve the minutes of the Special Called City Council meeting held on July 19, 2021 and the Regular City Council meeting held on July 20, 2021. The vote was unanimous in favor.

IN THE MATTER OF BILL PAY AUGUST 3, 2021

Bills were reviewed at 4:30 p.m. by Council Members Janet Gaston, Travis Beard, and Buddy Palmer and Accounts Payable Clerk, Traci Dillard. Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to approve the payment of the checks, bills, claims and utility adjustments. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX A

IN THE MATTER OF ADVERTISING AND PROMOTIONAL ITEMS

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Bryan, to approve the advertising and promotional items, as presented. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX B

IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO SURPLUS AND REMOVE ITEMS FROM ASSETS

A list of items was presented to the City Council to be declared surplus, no longer needed by the City of Tupelo, to be either transferred, destroyed, scrapped or sell at auction as recommended by the CFO. Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to declare the items as surplus and to dispose in the way indicated. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX C

IN THE MATTER OF REVIEW/APPROVAL OF RE-APPOINTMENT OF CHUCK WILLIAMS AS PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR EFFECTIVE AUG 3, 2021

Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to approve the re-appointment of Chuck Williams as Director of the Public Works Department effective August 3, 2021. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX D

IN THE MATTER OF REVIEW/APPROVAL OF RE-APPOINTMENT OF JOHNNY TIMMONS AS TUPELO WATER & LIGHT DIRECTOR EFFECTIVE AUG 3, 2021

Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to approve the re-

appointment of Johnny Timmons as Director of Tupelo Water & Light Department effective August 3, 2021. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX E

IN THE MATTER OF LOT MOWING

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Davis, to approve the final lot mowing list, as submitted. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX F

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF NMNU INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR CITY OF TUPELO FOR 2021-2022

Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to approve the North Mississippi Narcotics Unit Interlocal Agreement for 2021-2022. The vote was as follows: Mims, Bryan, Beard, Davis, Palmer and Gaston voting AYE and Jones voting Nay. The motion passed. APPENDIX G

IN THE MATTER OF BID REJECTION OF INFRARED PAVEMENT RESTORATION 2021-021PW

Public Works Director Chuck Williams asked that the Council reject bid # 2021-0121PW - Infrared Pavement Restoration, due to no bids being received. Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Bryan, to approve the rejection of the bid. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX H

IN THE MATTER OF BID APPROVAL 2021-015PW CURB AND GUTTER

Sealed bids were received by the City for bid # 2021-021PW - Curb and Gutter. One bid was received from Slayton's Concrete Construction, LLC. Public Works Director Chuck Williams requested that the Council award this bid to Slayton's Concrete Construction, LLC. Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Bryan, to find the single bid commercially reasonable and award the bid to Clayton's Concrete Construction, LLC, as requested. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX I

IN THE MATTER OF BID AWARD 2021-018PW - BALLARD PARK DRAINAGE

Bids were received by the City of Tupelo for Bid # 2021-018PR - Ballard Park Drainage. The lowest and best bid was determined to be from Hanna Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$145,545.00. Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to award the lowest and best bid to Hanna Contracting, Inc. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX J

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF REQUEST TO ALLOW INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL FOR TUPELO CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU EMPLOYEE JENNIE BRADFORD CURLEE AND SET MAXIMUM PER DIEM RATE

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Mims, to approve this request as

submitted and to set the maximum daily per diem rate as indicated on the letter of request. The vote was unanimous in favor. A copy of the letter of request is attached to these minutes as APPENDIX K.

IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTANCE OF CVB MINUTES OF JULY 27, 2021

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Bryan, to accept the Minutes of the Convention and Visitor's Bureau dated July 27, 2021. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX K

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO CONTRACT WITH ESG OPERATIONS, INC.

Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to approve Amendment #1 to the Agreement for Operations, Maintenance and Management Services with ESG Operations, Inc. The vote was unanimous in favor of the amendment. APPENDIX L

IN THE MATTER OF DEMOLITION RESOLUTIONS (tabled at the July 20, 2021 meeting)

This item was left on the table.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council Member Davis, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous in favor.

This the 3rd day of August, 2021, at 6:37 p.m.

Buddy Palmer, President
City Council

ATTEST:

Missy Shelton, Clerk of the Council

Todd Jordan, Mayor