

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Hernando met in regular session at City Hall on Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. with Mayor Tom Ferguson presiding. Aldermen present were: Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, and Alderman Hobbs. Also present for the meeting were: City Clerk Katie Harbin, City Attorney Kenny Stockton, City Engineer Joe Frank Lauderdale, Assistant Police Chief Shane Ellis, Human Resources Manager Julie Harris, Assistant Public Works Director Bobby Burton, Planning Director Keith Briley, Court Clerk Cassi Perry, Fire Captain Sam Witt, Parks and Recreation Sports Coordinator Chris Couch, James A. Vice, Shirley McLendon, Bill Roberson, Rhonda Alliston, Carolyn Richards, Carolyn Young, and Robert Long.

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### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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Pledge of Allegiance

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### INVOCATION

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Alderman Higdon gave the invocation.

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### AGENDA

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Agenda  
City of Hernando  
Mayor and Board of Alderman  
Regular Meeting

December 5, 2017

6:00pm

- 1) Call the meeting to order
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Invocation
- 4) Approve Agenda
- 5) Approve Docket of Claims No.'s 121081 – 121199
- 6) Consent Agenda
  - A) Authorize Police Officer John Cotter to attend the Taser Instructor class on January 17 – 18, 2018 in Searcy, AR, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses
- 7) Authorize to give Executive Assistant to Mayor, Jessica Green a 90-day performance raise of \$0.50 per hour
- 8) Authorize Mayor Ferguson to sign the service agreement with Jo Ann Lemoine for Zumba Toning instructor
- 9) Authorize Mayor Ferguson to sign the service agreement with Gisele Hankins for Beginner Yoga Instructor
- 10) Authorize Mayor Ferguson to sign the service agreement with Zenobia Jackson for Total Body Fitness instructor

- 11) Retirement of K-9 Krash effective December 10<sup>th</sup> (medical and age retirement). Krash will be donated to his original handler Officer James Ratliff pursuant to MS Code 45-3-52
- 12) Approval to purchase replacement K-9 (paid for out of narcotics forfeiture account)
- 13) Approval for Captain Lanphere, K-9 Officer Brown, and K-9 Officer Solomon to travel to Denver Indiana to purchase replacement K-9 December 10<sup>th</sup> thru December 15<sup>th</sup> (lodging expenses will be paid for, only requesting daily per diem)
- 14) Authorize the Mayor to sign the Addendum to Extend Time LPA Professional Services Contract by and Between the City of Hernando and Waggoner Engineering, Inc.
- 15) Authorize to accept a \$10,000 grant that has been awarded to the City of Hernando Fire Department from the Homeland Security Grant Program. There is no match required for this grant
- 16) Discussion of side walk on McIngvale under the MDOT Overlay project (Joe Frank)
- 17) Adopt Resolution to Borrow Funds from the General Fund for the GO Bond Debt Service Fund in Anticipation of Taxes
- 18) Authorize to advertise and receive bids for Municipal Depository
- 19) Discussion of soccer fees
- 20) Adopt Resolution of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Hernando, Mississippi, urging the Mississippi Legislature to allow Municipalities to submit debts owed to Municipalities and to the State of Mississippi as a result of Delinquent Municipal Court Fines and Fees to the Mississippi Department of Revenue for collection through a setoff against State Income Tax Refunds owed to the Debtor
- 21) Adjourn

Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon, and seconded by Alderman Miller to approve the agenda as presented. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, and Alderman Hobbs.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017.

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#### **APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS NO.'S 121081 - 121199**

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The Board of Aldermen were presented with a docket of claims No. 121081 - 121199 in the amount of \$213,555.62 for approval.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Hobbs, and seconded by Alderman Higdon to approve the docket of claims for payment as presented. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, and Alderman Harris.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017

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#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

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- A) Authorize Police Officer John Cotter to attend the Taser Instructor class on January 17 – 18, 2018 in Searcy, AR, also authorize to pay registration and travel expenses

Motion was duly made by Alderwoman Brooks and seconded by Alderman Higdon to approve the consent agenda. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Harris, and Alderman Bryant.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017

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**AUTHORIZE TO GIVE EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE MAYOR, JESSICA GREEN, A 90- DAY PERFORMANCE RAISE OF \$0.50 PER HOUR**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller and seconded by Alderman Higdon to authorize to give Executive Assistant to the Mayor Jessica Green a 90-day performance raise of \$0.50 per hour, following the recommendation of the Personnel Committee, based on the recommendation of the Mayor. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, and Alderman Higdon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**AUTHORIZE MAYOR FERGUSON TO SIGN THE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH JO ANN LEMOINE FOR ZUMBA TONING INSTRUCTOR**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Harris and seconded by Alderman Bryant to authorize Mayor Ferguson to sign the service agreement with Jo Ann Lemoine for Zumba Toning Instructor. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, and Alderman McLendon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**AUTHORIZE MAYOR FERGUSON TO SIGN THE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH GISELE HANKINS FOR BEGINNER YOGA INSTRUCTOR**

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Motion was duly made by Alderwoman Brooks and seconded by Alderman Harris to authorize Mayor Ferguson to sign the service agreement with Gisele Hankins for Beginner Yoga Instructor. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, and Alderwoman Brooks.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017

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**AUTHORIZE MAYOR FERGUSON TO SIGN THE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH ZENOBIA JACKSON FOR TOTAL BODY FITNESS INSTRUCTOR**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon and seconded by Alderman Bryant to authorize Mayor Ferguson to sign the service agreement with Zenobia Jackson for Total Body Fitness Instructor. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderwoman Brooks, and Alderman Hobbs.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**RETIREMENT OF K-9 KRASH EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> (MEDICAL AND AGE RETIREMENT). KRASH WILL BE DONATED TO HIS ORIGINAL HANDLER OFFICER JAMES RATLIFF PURSUANT TO MS CODE 45-3-52**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller and seconded by Alderwoman Brooks to authorize the retirement of K-9 Krash, and authorize for K-9 Krash to be donated to his original handler, Officer James Ratliff, pursuant to MS Code 45-3-52. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, and Alderman Miller.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**APPROVE TO PURCHASE A REPLACEMENT K-9 (PAID FOR OUT OF NARCOTICS FORFEITURE ACCOUNT)**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon and seconded by Alderwoman Brooks to approve to purchase a replacement K-9, to be paid out of Narcotics Forfeiture Account). A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, and Alderman Higdon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**AUTHORIZE CAPTAIN LAMPHERE, K-9 OFFICER BROWN, AND K-9 OFFICER SOLOMON TO TRAVEL TO DENVER INDIANA TO PURCHASE REPLACEMENT K-9, DECEMBER 10-15, 2017 ALSO AUTHORIZE TO PAY TRAVEL EXPENSES (LODGING EXPENSES WILL BE PAID FOR)**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller and seconded by Alderman Higdon to authorize Captain Lanphere, K-9 Officer Brown, and K-9 Officer Solomon to travel to Denver Indiana to purchase a replacement K-9 on December 10-15, 2017, also authorize to pay travel expenses, to be paid out of the Forfeiture Account if legal to do so. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, and Alderman McLendon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE ADDENDUM TO EXTEND TIME LPA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF HERNANDO AND WAGGONER ENGINEERING, INC.**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon and seconded by Alderman Hobbs to authorize the Mayor to sign the Addendum to extend time LPA Professional Services Contract By and Between the City of Hernando and Waggoner Engineering, Inc.. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, and Alderwoman Brooks.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**AUTHORIZE TO ACCEPT A \$10,000 GRANT THAT HAS BEEN AWARDED TO THE CITY OF HERNANDO FIRE DEPARTMENT FROM THE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (THERE IS NO MATCH REQUIRED)**

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Fire Captain Sam Witt explained how the grant would work.

Alderman Miller asked if it was restricted to certain times.

Fire Captain Sam Witt answered yes, it is restricted to certain items listed on their list.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller and seconded by Alderman Higdon to authorize to accept a \$10,000 grant that has been awarded to the City of Hernando Fire Department from the Homeland Security Grant Program. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, and Alderman Hobbs.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**DISCUSSION OF SIDE WALK ON MCINGVALE UNDER THE MDOT OVERLAY PROJECT**

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Joe Frank Lauderdale went over the information on the sidewalks with the project. The sidewalks were to be done in conjunction with the McIngvale overlay. We want to get McIngvale under construction by next year. MDOT states that the sidewalk easements will push the project back. If we don't do the sidewalks right now, we can start the McIngvale overlay next year. Mr. Lauderdale recommends leaving the sidewalks out and moving forward.

Alderman Miller asked if we will be able to reapply for the sidewalks later.

Joe Frank Lauderdale answered yes.

Alderman Miller stated that we should delay the sidewalks and move forward with McIngvale.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller and seconded by Alderman Higdon to approve to move forward with the McIngvale project without the sidewalks. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, and Alderman Harris

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017

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**ADOPT RESOLUTION TO BORROW FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE GO BOND DEBT SERVICE FUND IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon and seconded by Alderman Harris to adopt Resolution to Borrow Funds from the General Fund for the GO Bond Debt Service Fund in anticipation of taxes. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Harris, and Alderman Bryant.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017

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**AUTHORIZE TO ADVERTISE AND RECEIVE BIDS FOR MUNICIPAL DEPOSITORY**

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Motion was duly made by Alderwoman Brooks and seconded by Alderman Hobbs to authorize to advertise and receive bids for Municipal Depository. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant and Alderman Miller.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**DISCUSSION OF SOCCER FEES**

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Sports Coordinator Chris Couch went over the proposed fee schedule. They are proposing to keep the registration fee and uniform fee separate.

The Board discussed the proposed fees.

Alderman Miller stated that he is comfortable with the changes.

Alderman McLendon stated that he was not ok with changing the fees one day before registration opened.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Harris and seconded by Alderman Miller to authorize to change the recreation soccer registration fee to \$60.00 and the recreation soccer uniform fee to \$30.00. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, and Alderman Higdon.

Those voting "Nay": Alderman McLendon.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017

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**ADOPT RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF HERNANDO, MISSISSIPPI, URGING THE MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE TO ALLOW MUNICIPALITIES TO SUBMIT DEBTS OWED TO MUNICIPALITIES AND TO THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI AS A RESULT OF DELINQUENT MUNICIPAL COURT FINES AND FEES TO THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE FOR COLLECTION THROUGH A SETOFF AGAINST STATE INCOME TAX REFUNDS OWED TO THE DEBTOR**

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Mayor Ferguson went over the resolution.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller and seconded by Alderman Hobbs to adopt the Resolution of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Hernando, Mississippi, urging the Mississippi Legislature to allow Municipalities to submit debts owed to Municipalities and to the State of Mississippi as a result of delinquent Municipal court fines and fees to the Mississippi Department of Revenue for collection through a setoff against state income tax refunds owed to the debtor. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, and Alderman McLendon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017

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**ADJOURN**

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There being no further business at this time a motion was duly made by Alderman Bryant, seconded by Alderman Higdon to adjourn.

Motion passed with a unanimous vote of "Aye".

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MAYOR TOM FERGUSON

ATTEST:

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KATIE HARBIN, CITY CLERK