

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Hernando met in regular session at City Hall on Tuesday, October 7, 2014, at 6:00 P.M. with Mayor Chip Johnson presiding. Aldermen present were: Sonny Bryant, Andrew Miller, Gary Higdon, Cathy Brooks, and Jeff Hobbs. Also present for the meeting were: City Clerk Katie Harbin, City Attorney Kenny Stockton, City Engineer Joe Frank Lauderdale, Police Chief Mike Riley, Fire Chief Hubert Jones, Public Works Director Gary McElhannon, Michelle Dunn, Carl Dhority, James O'Neal, Franklin Kent, Henry Bailey, and Robert Long.

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### INVOCATION

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Alderman Miller gave the invocation.

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### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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Agenda  
City of Hernando  
Mayor and Board of Alderman  
Regular Meeting

October 7, 2014

6:00pm

- 1) Call the meeting to order
- 2) Invocation
- 3) Approve Agenda
- 4) Approve Docket of Claims No.'s 105320 – 105566 less 105332 and 105333
- 5) Approve Docket of Claims No.'s (Lauderdale) 105332
- 6) Approve Docket of Claims No.'s (Miller) 105333
- 7) Approve Minutes
- 8) Authorize to appoint Robert Quimby as Judge Pro Tempore
- 9) Request from ICS Hernando Head Start for a donation
- 10) Authorize to give Manuel March a 90 day performance raise of \$0.50 per hour
- 11) Authorize to promote Jeff Cook to Grounds/Turf Maintenance Supervisor with starting pay of \$12.50 per hour, starting date of October 8th
- 12) Authorize to hire Michelle Dunn as Executive Assistant to the Mayor at a pay rate of \$13.95 per hour
- 13) To appoint Bradford Sims as Planning Commissioner to fill seat vacated by Scott Fernandez
- 14) Authorize to declare the dishwasher from Station 3 surplus and dispose of (model number FS1105686)
- 15) Authorize to declare Garbage truck #40 VIN 2FZHCHDJO7AY68495 surplus and bid out to sell
- 16) Authorize to declare 2000 Dodge 1500 Ram V8, white, VIN 1B7HC16Y11S702461, surplus and dispose of

- 17) Discussion of flooding issues in Montclair subdivision
- 18) Discussion of Sport fee, Gale Center rental fee, and Cemetery fee increases
- 19) Adopt the Resolution authorizing the North Delta Planning and Development District to prepare and submit a HOME application for the City of Hernando, Mississippi
- 20) Authorize to accept the lowest and best quote bid for the tax anticipation loan
- 21) Adopt the Resolution of the City of Hernando Mississippi for approval and authorization to enter into a Tax Anticipation loan in the total amount of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00)
- 22) Accept the Privilege License Master Listing fye 2014
- 23) Discussion and possible request to MDOT concerning traffic problems at the I55 / Commerce exit
- 24) Proclaim October Domestic Violence Month
- 25) Request from Desoto County to split the 20% matching funds for the NRCS project on Tulane Road Bridge
- 26) Adjourn

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

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

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**APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS NO.'S 105320 – 105566 LESS 105332 AND 105333**

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The Board of Aldermen were presented with a docket of claims No. 105320 – 105566 less 105332 and 105333 in the amount of \$1,667,921.90 for approval.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderwoman Brooks 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, Alderwoman Brooks, and Alderman Hobbs.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

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**APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS NO. 105332 (LAUDERDALE)**

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Alderman Lauderdale was not present.

The Board of Aldermen were presented with a docket of claims No. 105332 in the amount of \$213,521.35 for approval.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller, 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 Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, and Alderman Bryant.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014

**APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS NO. 105333 (MILLER)**

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Alderman Miller recused himself and left the room.

The Board of Aldermen were presented with a docket of claims No. 105333 in the amount of \$33,528.69 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 Higdon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, and Alderman Bryant.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014

**APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2014**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon and seconded by Alderwoman Brooks to approve the Minutes from the regular Board Meeting on September 16, 2014 as presented. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014

**AUTHORIZE TO APPOINT ROBERT QUIMBY AS JUDGE PRO TEMPORE**

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Tony Nowak was present to recommend Robert Quimby as Judge Pro Tempore to the Board.

Motion was duly made by Alderwoman Brooks, and seconded by Alderman Higdon to authorize to appoint Robert Quimby as Judge Pro Tempore. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014

**REQUEST FROM ICS HERNANDO HEAD START FOR A DONATION**

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Sandra Miller presented the request on behalf of the ICS Hernando Head Start program.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon, and seconded by Alderman Bryant to donate \$300.00 to the ICS Hernando Head Start. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

Alderman Miller abstained from voting.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014

**AUTHORIZE TO GIVE MANUEL MARCH A 90 DAY PERFORMANCE RAISE OF \$0.50 PER HOUR**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon, and seconded by Alderman Bryant to authorize to give Manuel March a 90 day performance raise of \$0.50 per hour, based on the personnel committee's recommendation, following the recommendation of the Public Works director. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014

**AUTHORIZE TO PROMOTE JEFF COOK TO GROUNDS/TURF MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR WITH STARTING PAY OF \$12.50 PER HOUR AND A STARTING DATE OF OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup>**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon, and seconded by Alderman Hobbs to authorize to promote Jeff Cook to grounds/turf maintenance supervisor with a starting pay of \$12.50 per hour and a starting date of October 8, 2014, based on the recommendation of the personnel committee, following the Parks Directors recommendation. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014

**AUTHORIZE TO HIRE MICHELLE DUNN AS EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE MAYOR AT A PAY RATE OF \$13.95 PER HOUR**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller, and seconded by Alderman Bryant to authorize to hire Michelle Dunn as Executive Assistant to the Mayor at a pay rate of \$13.95 per hour, based on personnel committee's recommendation, following the recommendation of the Mayor. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014

**APPOINT BRADFORD SIMS AS PLANNING COMMISSIONER TO FILL SEAT  
VACATED BY SCOTT FERNANDEZ**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon, and seconded by Alderman Bryant to appoint Bradford Sims as Planning Commissioner to fill seat vacated by Scott Fernandez. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014

**AUTHORIZE TO DECLARE THE DISHWASHER FROM STATION 3 SURPLUS AND  
DISPOSE OF (MODEL NUMBER FS1105686)**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Hobbs, seconded by Alderman Higdon to authorize declare the dishwasher at Station 3 surplus and dispose of (model number FS1105686). A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

**AUTHORIZE TO DECLARE TRUCK #40 VIN 2FZHCHDJO7AY68495 SURPLUS AND  
BID OUT TO SELL**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon, seconded by Alderman Miller to authorize to declare truck #40 VIN 2FZHCHDJO7AY68495 surplus and bid out to sell. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

**AUTHORIZE TO DECLARE 2000 DODGE 1500 RAM V8, WHITE, VIN  
1B7HC16Y11S702461 SURPLUS AND DISPOSE OF**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderwoman Brooks to authorize to declare truck the 2000 Dodge 1500 Ram V8, white, VIN 1B7HC16Y11S702461 surplus and dispose of. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

**DISCUSSION OF FLOODING ISSUES IN MONTCLAIR SUBDIVISION**

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The Homeowner Association President for the Montclair subdivision presented information and pictures of the flooding problems. He stated they have been having these problems for years and it is only getting worse as they put more houses in.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Bryant, seconded by Alderman Hobbs to table this issue until the October 21, 2014 meeting in order to find out more information on who is responsible and how much it will cost to fix. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

**DISCUSSION OF SPORT FEE, GALE CENTER RENTAL FEE, AND CEMETERY FEE INCREASES**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon, seconded by Alderman Miller to authorize to table this item until the October 21, 2014 Board Meeting. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

**ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NORTH DELTA PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT A HOME APPLICATION FOR THE CITY OF HERNANDO, MISSISSIPPI**

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Motion was duly made by Alderwoman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Higdon to adopt the Resolution authorizing the North Delta Planning and Development District to prepare and submit a HOME application for the City of Hernando, Mississippi with a quick claim or warranty deed. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

**AUTHORIZE TO ACCEPT THE LOWEST AND BEST QUOTE BID FOR THE TAX ANTICIPATION LOAN**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Hobbs, seconded by Alderman Higdon to authorize to accept the lowest and best quote bid for the tax anticipation loan from First Tennessee with a rate of 0.95%. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

**ADOPT THE RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HERNANDO MISSISSIPPI FOR APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A TAX ANTICIPATION LOAN IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000.00)**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon, seconded by Alderman Hobbs to adopt the Resolution of the City of Hernando Mississippi for approval and authorization to enter into a tax anticipation loan in the total amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00). A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

**ACCEPT THE PRIVILEGE LICENSE MASTER LISTING FYE 2014**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Hobbs to accept the privilege license master listing fye 2014. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE REQUEST TO MDOT CONCERNING TRAFFIC PROBLEMS AT THE I55 / COMMERCE EXIT**

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The Board of Aldermen held a discussion on the traffic problems at the I55 and Commerce exit intersection. The Police Chief stated that it was an unsafe condition. The Mayor will send in a request to MDOT concerning the traffic issue.

**PROCLAIM OCTOBER DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MONTH**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderwoman Brooks to proclaim October as Domestic Violence Month and waive the reading of the proclamation. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

**REQUEST FROM DESOTO COUNTY TO SPLIT THE 20% MATCHING FUNDS FOR  
THE NRCS PROJECT ON TULANE ROAD BRIDGE**

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Joe Frank Lauderdale presented the information on the Tulane Road Bridge project.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Hobbs, seconded by Alderman Higdon to accept the request from Desoto County to split the 20 % matching funds for the NRCS project on Tulane Road Bridge. A vote was taken with the following results:

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

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

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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 CHIP JOHNSON

ATTEST:

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KATIE HARBIN, CITY CLERK