# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF December 16, 2008 OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF SOUTHAVEN, MISSISSIPPI

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Southaven, Mississippi met in Regular Session on the 2nd day of December, 2008, at six o'clock (6:00) p.m. at City Hall. Present were:

Charles G. Davis
Greg Guy
Alderman, at Large
Lorine Cady
Alderman, Ward 1

James Stark
James Loftis
Paul Ollar
Ricky Jobes
Alderman, Ward 3
Alderman, Ward 4
Alderman, Ward 5

Absent was Alderman Randall Huling, Ward 6. Also present were Chris Wilson, City Administrator, Glenda Smallwood, City Clerk, Whitney Choat, Planning Director, and Bradley Wallace, Director of Operations. Approximately twenty (20) other people were present.

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order and asked for a minute of silence for Tom Patterson, recently deceased. Mr. Patterson was a long time citizen and one of the first Aldermen for the City of Southaven. Mayor Davis expressed condolences from he and the Board of Aldermen to Mr. Patterson's family. Following the moment of silence, Alderman Loftis led in prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Scout Troop #376. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a motion was made by Alderman Cady to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 2, 2008 with any corrections, deletions, or additions necessary. Motion seconded by Alderman Guy. Motion was put to a vote and passed unanimously.

Mayor Davis recognized the accomplishments of Diane Robinson over the past 24 years and presented a plaque of appreciation. Mrs. Robinson was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Mayor Davis stated that Diane was employed with the City of Southaven from May 14, 1984 to December 31, 2008 and held several positions during this time. She retired as Human Resources Director. He expressed appreciation for her dedication to the City and stated that she will be missed.

Mayor Davis recognized the accomplishments of Phil Emerson, City of Southaven Firefighter for 27 years from May 25, 1981 to August 29, 2008. Mayor Davis stated that Mr. Emerson loved being a firefighter and has been an asset to the City. Chief Brackin came up to stand with Mr. Emerson while he received his plaque for outstanding service to the City of Southaven. Mayor Davis expressed his appreciation to Mr. Emerson for the years of service and dedication and stated he will be missed.

# **RESOLUTION**

A motion was made by Alderman Guy to adopt RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF CITY OF SOUTHAVEN, MISSISSIPPI GRANTING EXEMPTION FROM AD VALOREM TAXES. Motion seconded by Alderman Cady. Motion was put to a roll call vote and passed unanimously.

### Roll call was as follows:

Alderman Guy	Yea
Alderman Cady	Yea
Alderman Stark	Yea
<b>Alderman Loftis</b>	Yea
Alderman Ollar	Yea
Alderman Jobes	Yea
Alderman Huling	Abser

A copy of aforesaid Resolution is hereby attached to and made a part of these minutes.

### **BID**

Mayor Davis reported we opened a bid for a traffic light at Swinnea and Rasco for the new fire station opening. A motion was made by Alderman Cady to accept the bid from DeSoto County Electric as the lowest and best bid in the amount of \$87,666.50 for the traffic light. Motion seconded by Alderman Loftis. Motion was put to a vote and passed unanimously with Alderman Huling being absent.

### **PLANNING**

Whitney Choat, Planning Director presented the Planning Agenda.

Item #1 Application by Citizen's National Bank for a conditional use permit for a reader board to be located on the permanent signage at the southeast corner of Airways and Nail Road. A motion was made by Alderman Ollar to approve item #1. Motion seconded by Alderman Cady. Motion was put to a vote and passed unanimously with Alderman Huling being absent.

Item #2 application by Kim Kreunen to rezone 21.04 acres of property from M-1 to Agricultural on the south side of Stateline Road, west of Tulane. A motion was made by Alderman Stark to approve item #2. Motion seconded by Alderman Guy. Motion was put to a vote and passed unanimously with Alderman Huling being absent.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

- 1. Mayor Davis reported on a budget revision. He reported this deals with Police Department Confiscated Funds-Local. He reported we have to wait until the audit is in because they can only spend the amount of money taken in. At the beginning of the 09 FY they have \$71,500.00 in the bank left over from the previous year. This just shows that they expended it out. A motion was made by Alderman Guy to approve the budget revision as presented. Motion seconded by Alderman Loftis. Motion was put to a vote and passed unanimously with Alderman Huling being absent.
- 2. Mayor Davis commended Chief Long and his selection of our officers. He reported four officers just graduated from the Law Enforcement Training Facility. He reported we brought home six awards. Platoon Leader Award was presented to Keith Snyder. Highest Academic Average Award was presented to Larry Lancaster. Highest Firearms Award was presented to Hodges. Motivation and Attitude Award was presented to Roy Hurst. Mississippi Law Enforcement Training Center Award was presented to Keith Snyder. Mayor Davis stated it is always nice to bring home awards and let everyone know what a competent Police Department we have.
- 3. Mayor Davis reported Governor Barbour declared Christmas Day and the following Friday as holidays and he also declared January 1<sup>st</sup> which is a Thursday and January 2<sup>nd</sup> as a holiday. He reported he thinks it is in the best interest of our employees and citizens if there is no objection from the Board that we take Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and the day after Christmas instead of January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

# **CITY ATTORNEY LEGAL UPDATE**

Mark Sorrell, City Attorney had no new update at this time.

### **CLAIMS DOCKET**

A motion was made by Alderman Stark to approve the claims docket of 12-16-98 including demand checks excluding voucher numbers 112392-112405, 112443-112465, 112493, 112517, 112535-112536, 112562, 112598, 112617, 112619, 112641, 112658, 112660, 112754, 112807, 112830, 112883, 112885, 112890, 112896, 112900, 112915, 112947, 112984, 113008, 113010, 113013, 1136033, 03034, 113047, and 113055. Motion seconded by Alderman Loftis. Motion was put to a roll call vote and passed unanimously with Alderman Huling being absent.

Roll call was as follows:

Alderman Guy	Yea
<b>Alderman Cady</b>	Yea
Alderman Stark	Yea
<b>Alderman Loftis</b>	Yea
Alderman Ollar	Yea
<b>Alderman Jobes</b>	Yea
<b>Alderman Huling</b>	Absent

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, a motion was made by Alderman Guy to adjourn. Motion seconded by Alderman Cady. Motion was put to a vote and passed unanimously, December 16, 2008 at 6:30

	Charles G. Davis, Mayor
Glenda Smallwood, City Clerk	X