

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2014 AT 9:00 A.M.

Meeting called to order by Council President Thomas.

Present: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Absent: None.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Dorothy Lloyd and followed by the pledge to the flag.

Motion was made by Councilman Markham duly seconded by Councilwoman Henson and unanimously passed by the Council to confirm the agenda for this meeting with an amendment to: remove R-14; add as R-14 a resolution regarding Project Bronco; add as R-16 an agreement regarding civil rights trail markers.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Henson duly seconded by Councilman Markham and unanimously passed by the Council to approve the minutes dated May 20, 2014.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Resolution:

RESO. #5902            RESOLUTION CALLING HEARING TO DETERMINE WHETHER  
OR NOT CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND ARE IN A STATE OF  
UNCLEANLINESS AS TO BE A MENACE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH  
AND SAFETY OF THE COMMUNITY (JULY 1, 2014 @ 9:15 A.M.)

And, Councilman Markham seconded the motion, whereupon said Resolution was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

At this time Mayor Bland presented his FY 2014 annual report.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15650      ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF  
BENNY D. DUBOSE, SR. AS POLICE CHIEF FOR THE CITY OF  
MERIDIAN

And, Councilman Markham seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: Thomas.

Councilman Markham offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15651      ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF  
DAWN TAYLOR WRIGHT TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

And, Councilwoman Henson seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15652      ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF  
KRISTEN MARSHALL TO THE MERIDIAN HISTORICAL PRESERVATION  
COMMISSION

And, Councilman Markham seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15653      ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF  
REV. KATHY PRICE TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE  
CITY OF MERIDIAN

And, Councilman Markham seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15654      ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF  
CRAIG WILKES TO THE MERIDIAN TREE COMMISSION

And, Councilwoman Henson seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15655      ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AGENCY OF  
RECORD AGREEMENT BETWEEN LEADING EDGES, LLC  
AND THE CITY OF MERIDIAN

And, Councilman Markham seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15656      ORDER RATIFYING THE TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT BETWEEN  
THE CITY OF MERIDIAN AND WILLIAM C. HAMMACK WITH

GLOVER, YOUNG, HAMMACK, WALTON & SIMMONS, PLLC  
TO SERVE AS CITY ATTORNEY

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Resolution:

RESO. #5903            RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN MUNICIPALLY OWNED REAL  
PROPERTY TO BE SURPLUS AND NOT NEEDED FOR MUNICIPAL  
PURPOSES AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING DONATION OF  
REAL PROPERTY TO THE MERIDIAN HOUSING AUTHORITY

And, Councilwoman Henson seconded the motion, whereupon said Resolution was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Ordinance:

ORDIN. #4438            ORDINANCE AMENDING MERIDIAN CODE OF ORDINANCES  
SECTION 17-41. (2) AND SECTION 510.04.02 SO AS TO  
DESIGNATE THE JERRY AND SELENA BURTON HOUSE ADDRESSED  
AS 1417 29<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE AS A LOCAL HISTORIC LANDMARK

And, Councilman Markham seconded the motion, whereupon said Ordinance was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15657            ORDER APPROVING AND ADOPTING WILSON'S SUBDIVISION,

A RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION OF THE CITY OF MERIDIAN

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilman Hammon offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15658      ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN PYROTECNICO, NEW CASTLE, PA AND THE CITY OF MERIDIAN (JULY 4, 2014 FIREWORKS DISPLAY)

And, Councilman Markham seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15659      ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF PERFORMANCE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE CITY OF MERIDIAN AND (1) NAPOLEON; (2) LOVE UNDER COVER (JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> FIREWORKS)

And, Councilman Markham seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilman Hammon offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15660      ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN NRCS DAMAGE SURVEY REPORTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS TO PURSUE NRCS FUNDING TO REPAIR MULTIPLE EROSION ISSUES

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15661      ORDER CANCELLING THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE MERIDIAN  
UMPIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE CITY OF MERIDIAN

And, Councilman Markham seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilman Hammon offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15662      ORDER ACCEPTING LOW BID FOR SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR THE  
PERIOD OF JUNE 15, 2014 THRU JUNE 14, 2015 FOR ASPHALT MIX  
FROM APAC-MISSISSIPPI, INC., MERIDIAN, MS

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15663      ORDER ACCEPTING LOW BID FOR 12-MONTH SOURCE OF SUPPLY  
FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 15, 2014 TO JUNE 14, 2015 FOR SIGN  
BLANKS AND MATERIALS FROM VULCAN SIGNS, FOLEY, AL

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15664      ORDER AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF WORK UNIFORMS FROM  
ARAMARK UNIFORM SERVICES, NORWELL, MA, FOR 12-MONTH  
SOURCE OF SUPPLY (JUNE 2, 2014 THROUGH JUNE 1, 2015)

And, Councilman Markham seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15665      ORDER AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF TWO (2) SEMI TRAILERS  
FROM TRI STATE TRUCK CENTER, MERIDIAN, MS, IN THE  
AMOUNT OF \$63,594.00

And, Councilman Markham seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15666      ORDER ACCEPTING THE BID OF TRIPLE J CONSTRUCTION,  
MAGEE, MS, FOR ASBESTOS ABATEMENT OF EIGHT (8) HOUSES  
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,949.00

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilman Markham offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Resolution:

RESO. #5904            RESOLUTION OF THE MERIDIAN CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING  
THE EXECUTION OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO INTERLOCAL  
COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF LAUDERDALE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE LAUDERDALE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI (PROJECT BRONCO)

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Resolution was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Houston duly seconded by Councilman Markham and passed by a majority vote of the Council to approve the claims docket dated May 29, 2014 in the amount of \$1,931,693.72. Voting yea: Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon. Voting nay: Thomas.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15667            ORDER GRANTING PERMISSION TO MERIDIAN/LAUDERDALE  
COUNTY TOURISM BUREAU TO UTILIZE A PORTION OF CERTAIN  
DEDICATED STREET RIGHT-OF-WAYS AND CITY OWNED PROPERTY  
AND APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A MARKER AGREEMENT

And, Councilman Markham, seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

President Thomas advised of the notification of legal advertisement for the following: demolition of 16 structures.

President Thomas called on Mayor Bland for his report. He thanked the Council for their support of his appointments. He asked Dede Mogollon to go over the activities planned for this summer. They are: State Games, Juneteenth celebration, 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Meridian freedom summer, Meridianite picnic, and unveiling of the civil rights trail markers.

President Thomas called for citizen comments. Those who signed up to speak were: 1) Lucinda Johnson; 2) Deborah Keller.

President Thomas called for council comments. Various comments were made.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned. Sine die.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam McInnis, Clerk of Council