***MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE CITY OF SALTILLO, MISSISSIPPI WHO MET IN A REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 1, 2017 AT THE CITY HALL BOARD ROOM AT 6:00 P.M.***

Be it remembered that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Saltillo, Mississippi met in a regular board meeting held on August 1, 2017 at the City Hall Board Room at 6:00 P.M. and the following officials were present to wit:

Mayor                                Rex Smith

Aldermen                           Donald Cullum

 Malcomb Driskill

Terry Glidewell

Copey Grantham

Craig Sanders

City Clerk                           Mary Parker

City Attorney                      Chris Evans

Mayor Rex Smith opened with the pledge of allegiance led in a prayer.

Thereupon the Mayor declared a legal quorum present. The meeting was opened for the following business:

**RE:  APPROVE AGENDA**

On the motion of Terry Glidewell, seconded by Donald Cullum, and by an affirmative vote of all present to approve the agenda for the Mayor and Board of Aldermen regular called board meeting August 1, 2017.

Ordered this the 1st day of August, 2017.

**RE: MINUTES: PUBLIC HEARING JULY 18, 2017 AND REGULAR MEETING JULY 18, 2017**

On the motion of Donald Cullum, seconded by Craig Sanders, and by an affirmative vote of all present to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing, July 18, 2017 and the regular called meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, July 18, 2017 as recorded.

Ordered this the 1st day of August, 2017.

**RE:  587 PULLTIGHT**

On the motion of Terry Glidewell, seconded by Craig Sanders, and by an affirmative vote of all present to find, adjudicate, and assess costs, and expenses in the total amount of Five hundred and Sixty dollars and twenty two cents ($560.22) for reasonable cleaning actions taken by the City of Saltillo, with municipal employees and equipment, on the real property located at 587 Pulltight Road, Saltillo, Mississippi.  The board found that a statutory penalty of Fifteen Hundred Dollars ($1500.00) will also be assessed, for a total judgment of $2,060.22.  The board, at its last meeting, found and adjudicated, pursuant to and in accordance with M.C.A Section 21-19-11, that said property was in such a state of uncleanliness so as to render the property a menace to the health, safety, and welfare of the community and ordered the owner/occupier thereof to clean the property with seven (7) days, or else the City would do the same and assess costs and expenses.  The owner/occupier having failed or otherwise refused to do so, the City then cleaned the property pursuant to state law.  The aforementioned total amount shall be assessed against the property, as a lien, and should be filed with the Office of the Lee County Circuit Clerk, as provided by law.

Ordered this the 1st day of August, 2017.

**RE:  FIRETRUCK DISCUSSION**

On the motion of Donald Cullum, seconded by Craig Sanders, and by an affirmative vote of all present to grant Fire Chief Mark Nowell permission to begin researching and pricing fire trucks. Saltillo 1 has been returned to Clarke Power Services.

Ordered this the 1st day of August, 2017

**RE: POLICE DEPT RESIGNATION**

On the motion of Terry Glidewell, seconded by Malcomb Driskill, and by an affirmative vote of all present to accept the resignation of Police Officer Scotty Bradley, effective immediately, August 1st, 2017 and will include the scheduled shift for August 1, 2017.

Ordered this the 1st day of August, 2017

**RE:  SOUTH STREET LAND**

On the motion of Craig Sanders, seconded by Copey Grantham, and by an affirmative vote of all present to give permission to Mayor Smith to discuss with the county land that would connect City Park with the Sportsplex by building a walking trail. If an agreement can be made with the County then Mayor Smith will ask ESI to survey the strip of land.

Ordered this the 1st day of August, 2017

**RE:  WILLOW CREEK SUBDIVISION**

On the motion of Donald Cullum, seconded by Craig Sanders, and by an affirmative vote of all present to request assistance from the Lee County Board of Supervisors regarding equipment and labor for the re-surfacing of certain public streets in Willow Creek Subdivision, to-wit: Laurelbrook Drive, Birch Tree Lane, Cypress Grove Drive and Poplar Wood Lane.  These streets are sometimes referred to being in either Phase II or Phase III of Willow Creek Subdivision, and were specifically accepted as public streets by the Saltillo Board of Aldermen on or about March 7, 2017.  The City will purchase the re-surfacing materials, but will not be able to complete the project without assistance from the County.  The Mayor is hereby authorized to forward a letter to the Lee County Board of Supervisors requesting such assistance. See attached letter.

Ordered this the 1st day of August, 2017

**RE: AFFORDABLE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

Andrew Nowlin, an agent for Affordable Employee Benefits was among those in attendance and asked to speak to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen concerning the city’s employee health benefits. Mayor Smith instructed Mr. Nowlin to call the city clerk and set up an appointment.

Ordered this the 1st day of August, 2017

**RE:  ADJOURN**

On the motion of Terry Glidewell, seconded by Malcomb Driskill, and by an affirmative vote of all present to adjourn the regular called meeting, August 1 , 2017 of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen.

Ordered this the 1st day of August, 2017

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Mayor Rex Smith                                                                                                    Attest:  City Clerk

August 2, 2017

Mr. Phil E. Morgan, President

Lee County Board of Supervisors

300 West Main Street

Tupelo, Mississippi 38804

RE: Willow Creek Subdivision

Dear Phil:

Please accept this letter as a formal request from the City of Saltillo, by way of resolution of August 1, 2017, for aid and assistance from the Lee County Board of Supervisors in the form of labor and equipment for a proposed re-surfacing project on the following streets in Willow Creek Subdivision: Laurelbrook Drive, Birch Tree Lane, Cypress Grove Drive and Poplar Wood Lane. These streets were publicly accepted by the Saltillo Board of Aldermen on or about March 7, 2017.

The City would propose to purchase the necessary materials for this project; however, unfortunately, we will not be able to complete construction without the use of labor and equipment from the County. Therefore, the City would be most appreciative if the County would aid and assist in this regard.

I have attached a copy of the relevant portions of the Minutes from our March 7 and August 1, 2017 meetings for your reference.

Thank you in advance for your consideration, and please let me know if you have questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

REX SMITH

Mayor of Saltillo