MINUTES

FORMAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Diamondhead, Mississippi
Council Chambers, City Hall
May 20, 2014
6:00 pm CST

I. Call to Order –Mayor Schafer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. CST

1. Invocation – Councilmember Rech

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Councilmember Rech

3. **Roll Call** –

   Present: Councilmembers LaFontaine, Sislow, Rech and Mayor Schafer. Absent: Councilmembers Lopez and Knobloch.

4. **Confirmation or Adjustment of the Agenda Order** – Councilmember LaFontaine moved, seconded by Councilmember Sislow, to accept the Agenda Order as amended to include the following addition:
   II. Presentation Agenda
      1. Council Comments
         d. Councilmember LaFontaine- Solid Waste Authority Update

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED

II. Presentation Agenda

1. Council Comments
   a. The next regularly scheduled Council Meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. CST on Tuesday, June 3, 2014 in Council Chambers located at 5000 Diamondhead Circle
   b. City Hall will be closed Monday, May 26, 2014 in observance of Memorial Day
   c. Primary elections will be held June 3rd -City Hall will serve as the polling place for the Diamondhead West Voting Precinct (formerly located at the Diamondhead Community Church). Voting will take place in the City Hall Activity Room from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
   d. Councilmember LaFontaine provided a Solid Waste Authority update reporting the Comprehensive Plan was reviewed by MDEQ with recommendations to provide a more definitive plan with guidelines outlining the responsibilities of the Board of Supervisors and Solid Waste Authority. Also, a plan to implement a recycling program was recommended for incorporation.

2. City Manager's Report
   Acting City Manager Richard Sullivan relayed the importance and the cost savings to the City as a result of the proposed Interlocal Governmental Agreement with Harrison County for signage and roadway markings.

   Police Department Captain Al Hermann reported his department had responded to 160 calls for the period May 1 – 20, 2014.

3. Public Comments on Agenda Items – None

III. Policy Agenda

1. **Approval of Minutes** – Councilmember LaFontaine moved, seconded by Councilmember Sislow, to approve the May 6, 2014 Formal Meeting Minutes as presented

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Resolutions

   a. **2014-3164**: Resolution 2014-099: Resolution appointing Mississippi Municipal 2014 Voting Delegates for the City of Diamondhead

   Councilmember Rech moved, seconded by Councilmember LaFontaine, to resolve appointing Mayor Thomas Schafer – Voting Delegate, Councilmember Ernie Knobloch-First Alternate and Councilmember Ron Rech-Second Alternate for Mississippi Municipal 2014 Voting Delegate for the City of Diamondhead

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

   b. **2014-3165**: Resolution 2014-100: Resolution providing authority relative to existing credit card account through Hancock Bank issued by Whitney Bank

   Councilmember Sislow moved, seconded by Councilmember Rech with regard to providing authority relative to existing credit card through Hancock Bank issued by Whitney Bank to resolve appointing, authorizing and declaring the City Manager for the City of Diamondhead, whether in full-time, interim or acting capacity, the specified agent for same.

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Ordinances

   a. **2014-3161**: Ordinance 2014-044: Use of Firearms Ordinance

   Councilmember LaFontaine moved, seconded by Councilmember Sislow, finding the need exists to create and maintain a safe, secure and stress-free environment for the citizens of Diamondhead and thereby to adopt a Use of Firearms Ordinance with the immediate passage and effect of this ordinance needed for the immediate and temporary preservation of the public peace and safety in accordance with MS Code §21-13-11 (Rev. 2007) shall become effective immediately upon the adoption thereof, and prior to being recorded and published in the ordinance book in the same manner as required by State Law of other ordinances.

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED

4. Other actions

a. **2014-3089:** Approve Interlocal Governmental Cooperation Agreement by and between Harrison County and the City of Diamondhead for road signage and markings installation

Councilmember Sislow moved, seconded by Councilmember LaFontaine, to approve and enter into an Interlocal Governmental Cooperation Agreement By and Between Harrison County, MS and the City of Diamondhead, MS for the Year 2013-2014 to establish protocol for, and define the respective responsibilities and obligation of the City and Harrison County that would allow for Harrison County, by and through its Road Department, to provide "Safety Signage Installation" and Roadway Markings" services in and for the City of Diamondhead

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. **2014-3136:** Approve the Emergency Management Plan for the City of Diamondhead

Councilmember Rech moved, seconded by Councilmember LaFontaine to approve the Emergency Management Plan for the City of Diamondhead

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

c. **2014-3157**: Accept and award the low quote received from Saunders construction, LLC in the total of amount of $36,000 for drainage improvements for Diamondhead Drive East

Councilmember LaFontaine moved, seconded by Councilmember Rech, to accept and award the low quote received from Saunders construction, LLC in the total of amount of $36,000 for drainage improvements for Diamondhead Drive East. Quotes for the project were received as follows:

Saunders Construction, LLC		$36,000
Base Quote, 100 LF	$30,000	
Alternative 1 – 25 LF	$ 6,000	
MOWA Development, LLC		$45,600
Base Quote, 100 LF	$38,000	
Alternative 1 – 25 LF	$ 7,600	

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

d. **2014-3167:** Approve to accept on loan from the Hancock County Sheriff's Department nine (9) computers with installation for the police cars for the City and to approve the recurring cost to provide internet service to the units under State Contract Pricing with C-Spire in the amount of $372.60 monthly

Councilmember Sislow moved, seconded Councilmember Rech, to accept on loan from the Hancock County Sheriff's Department nine (9) computers with installation for the police cars for the City and to approve the recurring cost to provide internet service to the units under State Contract Pricing with C-Spire in the amount of $372.60 monthly

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Tabled Items

   a. **2014-3127:** Reject bid received for lot cleanup and/or demolition of certain property within the City of Diamondhead and providing for the assessment of costs to the said properties – 574 Anaoi Place (Resolution 2014-092)

   Councilmember LaFontaine moved, seconded by Councilmember Sislow, to reject the single bid received from CBR Trucking in the amount of $3,100 for lot cleanup and/or demolition of certain property within the City of Diamondhead and providing for the assessment of costs to the said properties – 574 Anaoi Place (Resolution 2014-092) based on the recommendation of Building Official Ronald Jones' finding that said property owner having made significant progress in the cleanup leaving minimal work to render the property acceptable

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

   b. **2014-3158**: Discussion/possible action regarding appointment of liaison/commissioner to Diamondhead Water & Sewer District

   Councilmember Sislow moved, seconded by Councilmember Rech to table discussion/possible action regarding appointment of liaison/commissioner to Diamondhead Water & Sewer District

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IV. Routine Agenda

1. Docket of Claims

   Councilmember Rech moved, seconded by Councilmember Sislow to approve the Docket of Claims for May 20, 2014 for the City of Diamondhead

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. City Clerk Ventura presented the Revenue and Expense Report – April 2014

3. Net Payroll, including benefits and taxes, May 14, 2014 - $37,301.76

V. Public Comments on Non Agenda Items: **None**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilmember LaFontaine moved, seconded by Councilmember Rech, to go into closed session to determine the necessity for an Executive Session at 6:36 p.m. CST.

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councilmember Rech moved, seconded by Councilmember LaFontaine, to enter into Executive Session for matters involving economic development and possible litigation.

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councilmember LaFontaine moved, seconded by Councilmember Sislow, to come out of Executive Session.

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The motion carried and the regular meeting reconvened at 7:02 p.m. CST.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

The City Attorney announced matters involving economic development and possible litigation were discussed in Executive Session and no official action was taken while in Executive Session.

VI. Adjourn

Councilmember Rech moved, seconded by Councilmember Sislow, to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 p.m. CST.

Ayes: LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: Lopez and Knobloch.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Thomas E. Schafer, IV
Mayor

Kristin Ventura
City Clerk