



MINUTES

FORMAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Diamondhead, Mississippi

Diamondhead Country Club
Council Chambers, City Hall
February 19, 2013
1:00 pm

1. **Call to Order**—Mayor Ingraham called the meeting to order at 1p.m. at the Diamondhead Country Club.

2. **Roll Call**—The following members of Council were present: Mayor Ingraham, Dianne Ackerman, Ernie Knobloch, Ron Rech, Dalton Roberson. Councilmember Holcomb was absent due to being called as a potential juror on the Grand Jury.

Councilmember Roberson moved, seconded by Councilmember Ackerman, to recess the meeting to Council Chambers at City Hall due to the fact that we did not have a place to meet at the Country Club as the room was previously scheduled. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was recessed.

Motion to Reconvene Council Meeting—At 1:22 p.m. in Council Chambers, Councilmember Knobloch moved, seconded by Councilmember Ackerman, to reconvene the meeting. All who were present when the meeting was recessed were again present when the meeting resumed.

Roll Call—The following members of Council were present: Mayor Ingraham, Dianne Ackerman, Ernie Knobloch, Ron Rech, Dalton Roberson. Councilmember Holcomb was absent due to being called as a potential juror on the Grand Jury.

3. **Invocation**—Mayor Ingraham

4. **Pledge of Allegiance**—Mayor Ingraham

5. **Approval of Minutes**—Councilmember Rech moved, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, to approve the following minutes with any corrections or changes made by councilmembers: 02.04.13 Formal, 01.31.13 Work Session, 01.22.13 Formal, 01.17.13 Work Session

6. **Confirmation or Adjustment of the Agenda Order**—Councilmember Roberson moved, seconded by Councilmember Ackerman, to accept the Order of the Agenda with the following adjustments: Move 8a, Oath of Office for Diamondhead's First Police Chief, and 8b, Oath of Office for Officer Leroy Ladner, to 7a and 7b respectively. The motion carried unanimously.

7. **Communications/Announcements from the Mayor and Council**

- a. Oath of Office for Diamondhead's First Police Chief—Mayor Ingraham recognized Alan Weatherford as the new Police Chief for the City of Diamondhead and administered the Oath of Office to him.
- b. Oath of Office for Officer Leroy Ladner —Mayor Ingraham recognized the newest patrol officer for Diamondhead, Leroy Ladner, and administered the Oath of Office to him.

The Mayor read the following announcements 7c, 7d, 7e, and 7h:

- c. Ordinance 2013-029 Revising the Times of the City Council Meetings for the City of Diamondhead was passed January 22, 2013. The regular meetings of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi shall be at City Hall, 5000 Diamondhead Circle, at 6:00 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month pursuant to the authorization granted by Sections 21-17-17 and 21-9-39(2), Mississippi Code 1972, effective March 4, 2013. In the event that a meeting date shall fall on a holiday, said meeting shall be held in accordance with the provisions of Sections 21-17-17 and 21-9-39(2) of the Mississippi Code of 1972. Work Sessions will be held at the same location at 9 a.m. on the Thursday preceding the Formal Council meetings. Proper notice was placed in the SeaCoast Echo, the newspaper of record for the City of Diamondhead.
- d. The next Diamondhead City Council Work Session will be held at 9 a.m., February 28, 2013, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 5000 Diamondhead Circle.
- e. The next Diamondhead City Council meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. on March 4, 2013, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 5000 Diamondhead Circle.
- f. The Mayor recognized the City Clerk, Sue W. Foster, and asked her to read the Ethics Commission's Findings of Fact regarding the Complaint by Peter A. Kolf vs. Mayor and Council, City of Diamondhead, which was dismissed by the Ethics Commission. Ms. Foster read the Findings of Fact in its entirety for the Record. Councilmember Knobloch moved, seconded by Councilmember Rech, to spread the Findings of Fact upon the Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.
- g. State of the City Address Available on the Website—Councilmember Ackerman moved, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, to spread the State of the City Address on the Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.
- h. The Hancock County Solid Waste Authority will meet on Monday, February 25, 2013 at 3 p.m. in the City of Bay St. Louis Conference Room. There will be a Public Hearing to change the By-Laws to include the City of Diamondhead as a member of the Authority.

8. Presentations / Appointments

- a. ~~Oath of Office for Diamondhead's First Police Chief~~—moved to 7a.
- b. ~~Oath of Office for Officer Leroy Ladner~~—moved to 7b.

9. City Manager's Report

The City Manager was recognized and reported that the City of Diamondhead has qualified for a Grant from the Department of Labor thru the Hancock County WIN Center and will be provided with employees at no expense to the City.

Sue Foster has been sworn in by Karen Ruhr, Registrar for Hancock County, as Registrar for the City of Diamondhead.

Wild Pigs issue on the Southside: Wildlife and Fisheries will be putting out traps to catch the pigs. Public Works Director Richard Sullivan and Butch Walton were directed to follow-up on this issue.

Good Will has moved from their location behind the Kangaroo gas station to make room for new Family Dollar, which will start construction in two to three weeks. Ground breaking event will be planned.

Paul Montjoy was recognized and reported on the progress of the Beautification Committee and agreed that the City of Diamondhead should join the "Keep America Beautiful" campaign. The City Manager was directed to prepare the Resolution for the City to Join "Keep America Beautiful" with the initiation fee to be paid for out of a grant from Waste Management.

Capt. Al Hermann was recognized and gave a report on recent police activity.

The City Manager has contacted Bridge & Watson to do an independent evaluation of the City's Building Permit Fees.

10. Docket of Claims—Councilmember Rech moved, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, to accept the Docket of Claims. The motion carried unanimously.

11. Citizens Wishing to Address Council, Agenda Items Limit of 3 minutes per person
Frank Faulstich was recognized and addressed Council on the Gaming Commission letter on the Agenda.
Lucy Markel was recognized and addressed Council on the Gaming Commission letter on the Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

At the request of Councilmember Knobloch, Item 13a Gaming Commission Letter, was pulled from the Consent Agenda and moved to 15a for further discussion.

Councilmember Roberson moved, seconded by Councilmember Ackerman, to accept the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

12. FINANCIAL REPORTS and Budget Amendments

- a. Financial Reports
- b. Budget Amendments

13. NEW BUSINESS

- a. ~~Gaming Commission Letter~~—This item was moved to 15a and not included in the motion to accept the Consent Agenda.
- b. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Advertise Request for Proposals
- c. Job Descriptions

REGULAR AGENDA

14. OLD BUSINESS—None

15. Ordinances and/or Resolutions pulled from the Consent Agenda

- a. Gaming Commission Letter—Councilmember Knobloch moved, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, to accept the letter from the Mayor to the Mississippi Gaming Commission. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

16. Citizens Wishing to Address Council, Non-Agenda Items Limit of 3 minutes per person

- a. Tommy Schafer was recognized and addressed Council on Economic Development, including Casinos and indicated that the POA is looking at their \$1500 Building Permit Fees.
- b. Lucy Markel was recognized and spoke in support of increasing the tax revenue in Diamondhead.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Councilmember Roberson and second by Councilmember Knobloch, the Council voted unanimously to go into Closed Session to determine the need for an Executive Session.

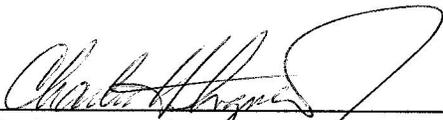
Upon motion by Councilmember Roberson and second by Councilmember Ackerman at 2:51 p.m., the Council voted unanimously to go into Executive Session to discuss matters dealing with economic development and potential litigation.

Upon motion by Councilmember Roberson and second by Councilmember Knobloch, the council voted unanimously to come out of Executive Session. No decisions were made in the Executive Session.

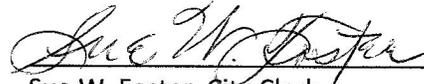
RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

Upon, motion by Councilmember Roberson at 3:53 p.m. and second by Councilmember Ackerman, the Council voted unanimously to return to the Regular meeting. All who were present when the closed session began were again present when the session ended.

- 17. RECESS**—Councilmember Roberson moved, seconded by Councilmember Ackerman, to recess the meeting until Thursday, February 28, 2013 at 8 a.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall at 5000 Diamondhead Circle. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was recessed.



Charles H. Ingraham, Jr., Mayor
Date: March 4, 2013



Sue W. Foster, City Clerk

Meeting Notice Posted at City Hall on February 16, 2013.