

**MEETING OF
THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS
APRIL 19, 2016**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

II. APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF APRIL 5, 2016.

III. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS FOR APRIL 19, 2016.

IV. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

V. CONSENT AGENDA:

- M. Andrews** A. Approve request for nine (9) Fire & Rescue Personnel to attend the “Swift Water Technician Refresher Training” to be held in Meridian, MS, at no cost to City.
- M. Andrews** B. Approve request for one (1) Fire & Rescue Personnel to attend the “Swift Water Class” as an instructor, to be held in Picayune, AL, and approve payment for travel and meal expenses.
- M. Andrews** C. Approve request for one (1) Fire & Rescue Personnel to attend the “Fire Service Instructor 1041-II” to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment for registration, travel and meal expenses.
- M. Andrews** D. Approve request for one (1) Fire & Rescue Personnel to attend the “Firefighter Intervention Rescue Survival Techniques” to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment for registration, travel and meal expenses.
- M. Andrews** E. Approve request for two (2) Fire & Rescue Personnel to attend the “CPM Executive Seminar” to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment for travel and meal expenses.
- M. Andrews** F. Approve request for one (1) Fire & Rescue Personnel to attend the “Emergency Services Administrative Conference” to be held in Bay St. Louis, MS, and approve payment for registration, travel and meal expenses.
- M. Andrews** G. Approve request for payment of \$1,766.75 to EMCC for the cost of the “EMT Certification Course” for one (1) Firefighter. Cost also includes books and fees.
- C. Berry** H. Approve request for the City Planner to be a panelist for the “Creating Wealth through Economic Development in Communities of Color – Black Family Summit” to be held in Raymond, MS at no cost to City.

- C. Bush** I. Approve request to hire one (1) full-time Concrete Finisher and one (1) Operator for the Public Works Department, and authorize the HR Director to begin the normal recruitment process.
- O. Lewis** J. Approve request for the CPD to solicit and raise funds for “National Night Out on Crime”. “National Night Out on Crime” will be held on August 2, 2016.
- O. Lewis** K. Approve request to pay membership dues to the American Chemical Society for one (1) Forensic Scientist.
- O. Lewis** L. Approve permit request from LaChunda Sparks, representing the Family Advocacy Office, to host a parade on April 22, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. The route will begin at Stokes Beard School, turn onto Hwy 82, and go to MLK, 5th Ave. & 23rd around Stokes Beard School.
- O. Lewis** M. Approve permit request from Martha Gordon to block off streets for the “Sandfield 8th of May Festival” to be held on May 7, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. The festival will be held on 4th Avenue South at the CLRA Sandfield Outdoor Pavilion. Streets requested to be closed are 4th Avenue South from 23rd Street to the beginning of 25th Street and 23rd and 24th Streets from College Street to Washington Avenue South.
- O. Lewis** N. Ratify request from Megan Mahoney for the “Wedding Parade” that was held on April 16, 2016 from 7:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. from First United Methodist Church to Main Street to the Trotter Convention Center.

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

- R. Smith** A. General Comments from the Mayor and Council Members
- O. Lewis** B. Monthly Report from the Columbus Police Department for March 2016
- M. Andrews** C. Monthly Report from the Columbus Fire & Rescue Department for March 2016
- W. Blunt** D. Monthly Report from the Municipal Court Division for March 2016
- C. Bush** E. Monthly Report from the Public Works Department for March 2016
- C. Berry** F. Monthly Report from the City Planning and Community Development Department for March 2016
- K. Wiegel** G. Monthly Report from the Building Inspection Department for March 2016
- T. Jones** H. Monthly Report from the Code Enforcement Division for March 2016
- M. Rawle** I. Monthly Financial Report

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Armstrong

J. Board Vacancies:

GTR Waste Management Authority

- One (1) Vacancy
- Ralph McLain resigned January 5, 2016.
- This 4-Year Term will expire December 31, 2018.
- No Applicants at this time
- Appointment can be made immediately.

Columbus Municipal School District

- One (1) Vacancy
- Stephen Jones resigned March 10, 2016.
- Applicant will fill the remainder of unexpired 5-Year Term which ends 3/2/2019.
- Appointment can be made April 19, 2016.

Applicants

- Ronnie Clayton
- Gregory Jefferson
- George Lowe
- Fredrick D. Sparks
- Berry Hinds
- Eric Thomas
- Willie Petty

Tree Board

- One (1) Vacancy
- Jeffrey C. Wilson's 3-Year Term will expire 4/6/2016.
- He serves as the MSU Extension Service Member.
- No Applicants at this time
- Appointment can be made immediately.

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

- O. Lewis A. Discuss/Approve request to apply for the 2016 Bullet Proof Vest Grant.
- K. Stafford B. Discuss/Approve Rejection of Amphitheater Bids.
- K. Stafford C. Discuss/Approve permission to advertise for Bids for the Amphitheater.
- K. Wiegel D. Discuss/Approve recommendations from the April 11, 2016 Planning Commission meeting.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Transaction of Business and Discussion Regarding Prospective Leasing of City Property. (1)

Personnel Matter (1)