

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Waveland, Mississippi, met in regular session at Waveland City Hall, 301 Coleman Avenue, Waveland, MS. on October 17, 2012 at 6:30 p.m., to take action on the following matters of city business.

**(Recording of meeting for listening available via records request)**

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Pro Tempore Geoffrey noted for the record the presence of Aldermen Stahler, Lafontaine, and Kidd along with City Attorney Gary Yarborough and City Clerk Lisa Planchard.

Mayor Garcia was absent due to illness; Alderman Geoffrey served as Mayor Pro-Tempore.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Re: Mr. Michael Brown** with Oak Park Apartments addressed the Board with a request to amend the current Ordinance related to the utility ‘per door’ billing method. Mr. Brown stated that he felt there should be a difference between billing those in a single dwelling home and an apartment. Currently Mr. Brown is only paying for occupied ‘per door’ units. Alderman Lafontaine said he felt this was completely fair considering that single parents with children living in a home have to pay the same basic charge. Alderman Kidd added that people with houses are individually metered and have to pay for that usage. Mr. Brown said he has requested to put master meters on each of the two complexes. He said right now he is not metered at all. Mr. Anderson said these apartment units were metered up to Katrina; they had individual per door meters. Mr. Anderson added that the City’s problem is that that is a private utility system; we can’t install the meters in there, nor can we work on that line. It is up to the owner of the complex to install each door meter. Brent added that the only way to control having to pay for ‘per door unit’ is to have a meter on each door unit and marking it either as an active account or an inactive account; that way Mr. Brown’s not paying for 238 units and only has 115 occupied. Mr. Anderson said he will not be able to master meter each complex because our ordinance reads differently. Our ordinance reads that we charge ‘per door’ unit and like he explained to him today, “I don’t have authority to change that; I have to follow the ordinance that was written and adopted.” Mr. Anderson said this issue does not only apply to his apartment complex, but also 6 other apartment complexes in the City. Alderman Kidd’s concern is, “How do we determine which units are being rented.” Mr. Anderson said that when the units on Russell Drive were rebuilt, the City had them install a meter per door unit; that is how the City controls the usage with each tenant paying their own water bill. Mr. Brown agreed that a meter on each complex would be the answer and they would pay for what they use, but it’s too expensive to put in a meter on each unit. Mr. Anderson said again that before Katrina each apartment unit had a meter on it. Board members said this would be discussed at a later date based upon the City’s next evaluation from Mr. Johnson, with CRG, who assesses our utility rates periodically and until then, Mr. Brown should stay in touch with Mr. Anderson.

**Re: Mrs. Gail France** was present to discuss drainage and flooding issues at 807 St. Joseph Street and asked the City for assistance to have this 35 year old problem resolved. She told Board members of a sewerage blockage within the City line in the ditch at her property a few weeks ago, as a result of sewerage work being done further down on St. Joseph. She said she had 3 bathrooms overflow with carpet flooding and called Roto-Rooter to have repaired. Roto Rooter showed her via sewer line camera where the blockage was and that her lines were clear. She said the City came out and fixed the blockage the next day. She presented the City Clerk with her invoice for \$200+ to be reimbursed. She requested a permanent fix to the sewer lines problem on St. Joseph. Aldermen Kidd and Lafontaine showed Ms. Lafrance a map with the proposed drainage improvements for her area.

**Re: Mr. Gibby Russell** told Board members he desperately needs ditches on Venus Street; there are none and therefore no drainage.

**Re: Ms. Connie West** discussed her concerns about drainage issues on St. Joseph.

**MAYOR’S REPORT: (EXHIBIT A)**

**Re: Mayor Pro-Tempore Ricky Geoffrey presented Court Clerk Paula Fayard** with a plaque for her 34 years of dedicated service to the City of Waveland; she will be retiring October 31, 2012.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Re: Ms. Melinda Tucker** with Keep Waveland Beautiful asked to open a discussion about making plans regarding clean up after the spring parades (Nereid's and the Civic Association St. Patrick's parade) and offered the assistance that Keep Waveland Beautiful can provide.

**MAYOR'S REPORT (Continued)**

**Re: Fire Chief Mike Smith** provided the Board with information on cleanup progress of blighted properties. The Chief said that Mrs. Bernie Cullen will continue to give the Board updated reports on the clean-up of blighted properties. He said those owners in question who have been previously notified in writing are now being sent citations. Upon identification, about 13 properties will be and are being referred to Tommy Kidd for slab removal by Jamie Bean. They have verified approximately 332 properties since the beginning of this identification project.

**Re: Mrs. Raquel Lafontaine and Ms. Paulette Sternberg** presented Board members with the proposed Halloween event they would like to hold with old fashioned events such as cake walk, cars decorated, fire department train rides, police car for children to look in, a helicopter for children to view, provided by National Guard, a fire truck to be provided by Silver Slipper, face painting, hot dogs, popcorn, etc... to provide a safe place for small children and families to trick-or-treat. Since there will be small children, they are asking for no-so-scary costumes to be worn. Mrs. Lafontaine said that the Sea Coast Echo and WLOX will provide free advertising for this event. Alderman Stahler said she would call Waste Management to request disposable garbage cans and she would lend her karaoke machine for the event. Waveland Civic Association will also be assisting in this event. They requested approval from the Board to close Coleman Avenue on Halloween night from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm to hold the First Annual Halloween Bash.

**AMEND AGENDA/EVENTS/HALLOWEEN BASH**

**Re: Amend Agenda to approve blocking Coleman Avenue during the First Annual Halloween Bash**

Alderman Kidd moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to amend agenda to approve blocking Coleman Avenue during the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Halloween Bash/Trunk or Treat to be held at City Hall on Wednesday, October 31, 2012.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**Re: Block Coleman Avenue during the First Annual Halloween Bash**

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**ALDERMEN'S COMMENTS:**

**Re: Alderman Stahler:**

- a. Mayor Garcia, Fire Chief Mike Smith, Assistant Fire Chief Tony Mallini, City Clerk Lisa Planchard and Mayor's Secretary Tammy Fayard, along with herself visited the National Weather Service in Slidell, La. Alderman Stahler said that it was quite informative and she had not realized what all went into predicting the weather.
- b. Request to amend the agenda (after Aldermen's comments) for approval of an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement regarding the Gulfside/Jeff Davis Project.

**Re: Alderman Lafontaine:**

- a. Asked the Board to consider correcting an error regarding a salary in the budget. Alderman Lafontaine said prior to the 10% cuts (Aug, 2011) the salaries for the 2 employees in question were \$26,873 and brought back from furlough at \$22,300 and with the 10% added back are at \$24,811; those should be \$26,873, which is what the salary was prior to the budget cuts and the furloughs.

**PERSONNEL/PUBLIC WORKS/STREETS/AMEND AGENDA/ BUDGET/ PAYROLL**

**Re: Amend Agenda to Establish Rate of Pay for Leroy Hawkins, Jr. and Veotis Humphrey**

Alderman Kidd moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to amend the agenda to establish the rate of pay effective October 1, 2012 for Leroy Hawkins Jr. and Veotis Humphrey to be \$26,873.60 annually.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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Nay: None

Absent: None

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**ALDERMEN'S COMMENTS (Continued)**

**Re: Alderman Lafontaine (continued)**

- b. Alderman Lafontaine asked Mr. Anderson about drainage issues and ditch locations in Espana Park. After a few minutes of discussion, Mr. Anderson suggested that he and Alderman Lafontaine meet on Monday to walk the area in question.

**Re: Alderman Kidd:**

- a. Alderman Kidd asked about Sears Avenue and said that he had spoken with Mr. Anderson prior to the meeting.

**AMEND AGENDA**

**Re: Amend agenda to include Supplemental Agenda Items**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Kidd to include in the regular agenda the supplemental agenda being items 6 (a), 12 (a & b) and 19 (a,b&c) .

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT/CONTRACTS/ HANCOCK COUNTY/  
GULFSIDE-JEFF DAVIS PROJECT/JEFF DAVIS-GULFSIDE PROJECT**

**Re: Amend Agenda to Approve Interlocal Cooperative Agreement between  
Hancock County and the City of Waveland for the Jeff/Davis Gulfside Projects**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Kidd to approve the Interlocal Cooperative Agreement between Hancock County, MS. and the City of Waveland to establish protocol for and define responsibilities and obligations related to the 4 Jeff Davis/Gulfside Projects stated herewith: 1) Gulfside Street Sewer Improvements 2) West Jeff Davis Avenue Sewer Improvements 3) Jeff Davis Avenue Connector Sewer Improvements and Paving and, 4) East Jeff Davis Avenue Sewer Improvements.

**(EXHIBIT B)**

During discussion, Alderman Lafontaine asked if Mr. Yarborough was comfortable with this agreement. Mr. Yarborough stated that he and Alderman Stahler met with the County Attorney Ronnie Artigues yesterday. He said the agreement outlines the procedures for the project. This would keep it as a project that is currently providing MDA Funds going through the County and the Corps Funds going through the City. Each Governmental entity would separately approve invoices, which has to be done under each of the Grant Agreements. The agreement states that the city as the owner of the project, would operate the project for the Corps with the County doing the same for MDA. Mr. Yarborough said he had attempted to call Mr. Artigues to check on whether the Board of Supervisors had approved this agreement. Mr. Anderson asked whether he would be responsible for approving the work completed as it relates to the MDA portion of the invoices. Mr. Yarborough said Chris Gouras would be overseeing the project; however the City will be doing the soliciting for the bids and the notices for procurement. Mr. Yarborough said each Board would be approving the invoices; each entity would have a contract with whoever the contractor will be. Mr. Yarborough told Mr. Anderson that he will be representing to the Board that the 75% from the Corp (related to each invoice) is correct. The County will be determining whether the 25% (related to each invoice) is correct. Mr. Yarborough said determination of whether the work in complete related to an invoice will be based on what the engineer says.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**COURT DEPARTMENT**

**Re: Mrs. Paula Fayard provided the Board with an update of Court Fines and Fees Collected**

During discussion Alderman Lafontaine expressed his concerns regarding collections as opposed to the outstanding fines. He said, "Just for the month of July & August we have \$40,700+/- in fines assessed and \$7,500 paid on those fines." Mrs. Fayard introduced Ms. Rhonda Cummings as the newly appointed Clerk of Court. Mrs. Fayard said she has enjoyed serving as Court Clerk for the past 34 years. The Board collectively thanked Ms. Fayard and everyone applauded. Alderman Lafontaine said this issue of collections needs to be addressed; only collecting \$7,000 out of \$40,000 in fines. Alderman Stahler recommended a workshop to be held with Court Personnel. Mr. Yarborough said the workshop could not be held with the Judge, but the Prosecutor can be present. The Board requested a workshop for November 1, 2012 at 6 p.m.; this would be after the next Court date. Board members requested Ms. Cummings, Ms. Mary Beth Dorn and Ms. Patricia Willis be present. **(EXHIBIT C)**

**MINUTES**

**Re: The Minutes of October 2, 2012**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Kidd to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 2, 2012. **(EXHIBIT D)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**Re: The Minutes of October 9, 2012**

Alderman Kidd moved, seconded by Alderman Stahler to approve the Minutes of the Special meeting of October 9, 2012, as submitted by the City Clerk. **(EXHIBIT E)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler and Kidd

Abstain: Lafontaine

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**RSVP**

**Re: Claims**

Alderman Stahler moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to approve the R.S.V.P. Claims. **(EXHIBIT F)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine, and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**DOCKET OF CLAIMS**

**Re: Claims Nos.**

Alderman Stahler moved, seconded by Alderman Kidd to approve the Docket of Claims dated 10/17/2012 as submitted by the City Clerk. **(EXHIBIT G)**

001 Fund – 1-575  
100 Fund – None  
101 Fund – None  
102 Fund – None  
103 Fund – None  
124 Fund – None  
125 Fund – 1  
127 Fund – 1-4  
200 Fund – 1-2  
400 Fund – 1-28

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**REVENUES AND EXPENSES**

**Re: The Month of September, 2012**

Spread on the minutes the Revenue and Expenditures Report for the Month of September 2012, at this the second meeting of October, 2012 as presented by Comptroller Janet Dudding. **(EXHIBIT H)**

**RESOLUTIONS/GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS/BUTLER, SNOW, O'MARA ATTORNEYS**

**Re: Intent Resolution and Engagement Resolution related to Issuance of General Obligation Bonds as presented by Butler, Snow, O'Mara, et al Attorneys at Law**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Stahler to approve the Intent Resolution (Option 2) and Engagement Resolution (Option 2) related to Issuance of General Obligation Bonds for the following purposes. Ms. Elizabeth Thomas with Butler Snow O'Mara Attorneys' was present to discuss the two options for each resolution. **(EXHIBIT I)**

**a) INTENT RESOLUTION – Option 2**

RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF WAVELAND, MISSISSIPPI (THE "CITY"), TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2012 OF SAID CITY IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,500,000) TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS FOR (I) CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING OR PAVING STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DRIVEWAYS, PARKWAYS,

WALKWAYS OR PUBLIC PARKING FACILITIES, AND PURCHASING LAND THEREFOR; (II) REPAIRING, IMPROVING, ADORNING AND EQUIPPING MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS; (III) REPAIRING AND IMPROVING WHARVES, DOCKS, HARBORS AND APPURTENANT FACILITIES; AND (IV) RESTRUCTURING DEBT OF THE CITY WITH THE MISSISSIPPI HOME CORPORATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING LAND FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES; AND DIRECTING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF SUCH INTENTION.

**b) ENGAGEMENT RESOLUTION – Option 2**

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF WAVELAND, MISSISSIPPI (THE "CITY"), ENGAGING CERTAIN PROFESSIONALS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2012 OF SAID CITY IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,500,000) TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS FOR (I) CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING OR PAVING STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DRIVEWAYS, PARKWAYS, WALKWAYS OR PUBLIC PARKING FACILITIES, AND PURCHASING LAND THEREFOR; (II) REPAIRING, IMPROVING, ADORNING AND EQUIPPING MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS; (III) REPAIRING AND IMPROVING WHARVES, DOCKS, HARBORS AND APPURTENANT FACILITIES; AND (IV) RESTRUCTURING DEBT OF THE CITY WITH THE MISSISSIPPI HOME CORPORATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING LAND FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES.

During discussion, City Attorney Yarborough said that the scope includes refinancing the Magnolia Garden debt through a general obligation debt; second issue is to do street improvements, sidewalks, also included would be statutory terms to include recreational facilities, and public buildings (in case we need match funds (@12.5%) for the pier and/or funds for police station).

Ms. Elizabeth Thomas said the second option would provide more comfort as bond council to allow for the broadened purposes of the bond. Mr. Yarborough said Mr. Steve Pittman would be the one marketing the bond and getting interest rates. He added that this would cause no net increase out of the debt service fund for taxes.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**GARFIELD LADNER PIER/REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS/VETERANS MEMORIAL/ADVERTISEMENTS**

**Re: Advertise for Request for Proposals (RFP's) for Engineering Services related to the Waveland Veterans Memorial**

Alderman Kidd moved, seconded by Alderman Stahler to advertise for RFP's for engineering services related to the Waveland Veterans Memorial; damage analysis and repair estimates needed as a result of Hurricane Isaac. Fire Chief Mike Smith will be present to discuss.

Chief Smith said FEMA directed the City to get an Engineer who would create a scope of work for damage analysis and then would create the project worksheet (PW). FEMA will be sending in their own engineer who will also oversee damage analysis and repairs. FEMA will repair the pier to pre-Isaac condition and the City could use the bond money for work around the Memorial.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**FIRE DEPARTMENT/SURPLUS PROPERTY/ DONATIONS/ CONTRACTS/  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER/RESOLUTION/AGREEMENT  
Re: Declare Items as Surplus Property - Fire Department**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Kidd to declare the following fire equipment as surplus, as listed (Items a-f):

- a) 10-100 ft sections of 6" rubber jacket fire hose
- b) 1- 25 ft section of 6" Rubber Jacket Fire hose
- c) 19-100 ft sections of 5" Rubber Jacket Fire Hose
- d) 1-10 ft section of 5" Rubber Jacket Fire Hose
- e) 1- 5" to 3" Storz Adapter
- f) 1- 5" Male to Female Adapter

During discussion, Mr. Yarborough said when the Board approves this motion they are making a finding of fact that these items are no longer needed or used for municipal purposes.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**FIRE DEPARTMENT/SURPLUS PROPERTY/ DONATIONS/ CONTRACTS/  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER/RESOLUTION/AGREEMENT  
Re: Transfer of equipment to the Diamondhead Fire Department**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Kidd to approve the intergovernmental transfer of assets (reference all surplus property listed above) to the Diamondhead Fire Department and authorizes the City Attorney to draft an Agreement and Joint Resolution for same at the negotiated amount of \$5.00; authorize all City personnel to finalize all regarding such agreement and joint resolution. The Board approves this motion as finding of fact that this motion is for the betterment for the citizens of the State of Mississippi to transfer these assets to the City of Diamondhead and for less than fair market value. **(EXHIBIT K)**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**TRAVEL/ANIMAL CONTROL/POLICE DEPARTMENT/CITY HALL**

**Re: Animal Control Officer Alex Paulk to the Animal Control and Protection Association Conference**

**Re: Police Chief Kenny Hurt to the MS. Association of Chiefs of Police Winter Educational Conference in Olive Branch, MS.**

**Re: Purchasing Clerk Karen Cerami to attend Legal Aspects of Procurement Seminar in Jackson, MS.**

Alderman Kidd moved, seconded by Alderman Stahler to approve travel for the following, as listed (Items a-c):

- a) Jonathan "Alex" Paulk to attend the Mississippi Animal Control and Protection Association Conference November 5-8, 2012. Cost to the City would be a tuition and supply fee of \$128.00, membership fee of \$25.00 and per diem for 4 days.
- b) Police Chief Kenny Hurt to attend the Mississippi Association of Chiefs of Police Winter Educational Conference in Olive Branch, MS. December 10-13, 2012. Cost to the City will be a registration fee of \$250.00, lodging for 5 nights at \$89.00 per night, 4 days per diem and use of a City vehicle.
- c) Purchasing Clerk Karen Cerami to attend the Legal Aspects of Procurement class November 7-9, 2012 in Jackson, MS. Cost to the City will be a fee of \$650.00, lodging for 3 nights, 3 days per diem and use of a City vehicle for travel. With CPPB (Certified Public Procurement Buyer), not only is the education critical, but the City will receive better pricing opportunities via co-ops, for which certification is mandatory. States are now offering, in addition to state-contract prices on certain supplies and equipment, reduced pricing through co-ops (pricing which they have negotiated at the State level). In order to receive this co-op discount pricing, our purchasing agent must have CPPB certification.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**PERSONNEL/COURT DEPARTMENT**

**Re: Name Officers David Buckley and Paul Taylor as Deputy Court Clerks**

Spread on the minutes the following, as listed (Item a):

- a) Appointment of the following Officers as Deputy Court Clerks:
  - 1) David Buckley
  - 2) Paul Taylor

**WATER SYSTEM EXTENSION-ANNEXED AREA/INVOICES/BUSINESS INCUBATOR**

**Re: Payment of Invoices by Various Contractors**

Alderman Kidd moved, seconded by Alderman Stahler to approve the following invoices submitted by various contractors and recommended to be placed in line for payment consideration contingent upon receiving funding from grant sources, as submitted by Recovery Manager, Brent Anderson, and listed (Items a&b) **(EXHIBIT L)**

- a) Payment Request No. 23 from Reynolds, Inc. in the amount of \$135,275.18 – Water System Extension – Annexed Area. (Tabled from 10/2/12 meeting)
- b) Invoice #12 from Unabridged Architecture for professional services in the amount of \$2,696.00 – Business Incubator.

Alderman Lafontaine asked Mr. Anderson if he had done a final walk through on the Water System Extension Project. Mr. Anderson said yes, the City is square on this payment and everything is functioning well. He said that in fact this area's customers are being billed. Alderman Kidd asked about the leaking issue. Mr. Anderson said Dwight Haskell had fixed the problem.

Alderman Lafontaine asked about the Business Incubator lease. Mrs. Planchard said the lease has been signed and Magnolia Business Alliance (MBA) has begun marketing the leasing of the building. She said MBA is to reimburse the City for insurance and utilities effective November 1, 2012; she has sent them a copy of the insurance invoices and policy, but has not heard back from MBA representatives as yet. Alderman Stahler said Mr. Tom Koger has asked to meet to clear up some details.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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#### **COURT DEPARTMENT/PERSONNEL**

##### **Re: Ms. Anitra Freeman as Deputy Court Clerk**

Alderman Kidd moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to approve Ms. Anitra Freeman as part-time Deputy Court Clerk at an annual salary of \$10,400 (\$10.00 per hour) pending passage of drug test, as recommended by Police Chief Kenny Hurt and Court Clerk Paula Fayard.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT/PERSONNEL**

##### **Re: Appointment of Mac Cowand to Lieutenant, Eddie Peterson as Investigator and Matt Sekinger as Investigator**

Alderman Stahler moved, seconded by Alderman Kidd to appoint the following individuals within the Police Department to fill the following open positions, as recommended by Police Chief, Kenny Hurt and listed (Items 1-3):

1. Mac Cowand to the position of Lieutenant at an annual salary of \$34,000 effective October 15, 2012.
2. Mr. Eddie Peterson to the position of Investigator at an annual salary of \$34,000 effective October 15, 2012.

3. Mr. Matt Sekinger to the position of Investigator at an annual salary of \$34,000 effective October 15, 2012.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**Re: New Hires Wesley Lossett, Michael W. Prendergast and Shane Jordan as Police Officers**

Alderman Kidd moved, seconded by Alderman Stahler to hire the following individuals as full time police officers, to fill the positions vacated by the action taken in the preceding motion, as recommended by Police Chief Kenny Hurt and listed (Items 1-3):

1. Mr. Wesley Lossett at the annual salary of \$32,031 pending passage of drug test.
2. Mr. Michael W. Prendergast at the annual salary of \$32,031 pending passage of drug test.
3. Mr. Shane Jordan at the annual salary of \$32,031 pending passage of drug test.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**Re: New Hire Tommy Askew as a part-time Police Officer**

Alderman Stahler moved, seconded by Alderman Kidd to hire Mr. Tommy Askew as part time Police Officer at the rate of \$9.00 per hour pending passage of drug test, as recommended by Police Chief Kenny Hurt.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**FIRE DEPARTMENT/PERSONNEL**

**Re: New Hire Brian Sellier as part-time Firefighter**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Kidd to hire Brian Sellier as part-time Firefighter at a rate of \$9.00 per hour pending passage of drug test, as recommended by Fire Chief Mike Smith.

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**Meeting of October 17, 2012**  
**6:30 P.M.**

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**ADJOURN**

**Re: Adjourn meeting at 8:33 p.m.**

Alderman Kidd moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Yea: Stahler, Lafontaine and Kidd

Nay: None

Absent: None

Geoffrey - Serving as Mayor Pro-Tempore

The foregoing minutes were presented to Mayor Garcia on November 9, 2012.

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Lisa Planchard  
City Clerk

The Minutes of October 17, 2012 have been read and approved by me on this day the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2012.

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David A. Garcia  
Mayor

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