



City of Laurel

401 N. 5th Avenue
Laurel, MS 39440
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Regular Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, January 22, 2019

9:00 AM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

- Present:** 6 - Councilperson Jason Capers, Councilperson Tony Wheat, Council President Tony Thaxton, Vice President Travares Comegys, Councilperson Stacy Comegys and Councilperson Anthony Page
- Absent:** 1 - Councilperson George Carmichael
- Staff:** 3 - Mayor Johnny Magee, City Attorney Deidra Bassi and City Council Clerk Sharon King

PRAYER

Councilman Travares Comegys

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. [ID 19-3522](#) January 11, 2019 (Special Call Meeting)

Attachments: [CoL Minutes of 011119](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Capers, seconded by Councilperson Anthony Page, that the Minutes be approved. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

1. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilperson Anthony Page, seconded by Councilperson Tony Wheat, that the agenda be approved as printed. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

2. PRESENTATION AGENDA

- A. [ID 19-3507](#)

Shaquila Edwards to make a presentation on Youth Obesity.

Council President Thaxton called for Shaquila Edwards and no one was present

- B. [ID 19-3500](#)

Monthly Report of Privilege Taxes issued for the month of December, 2018.

Attachments: [cover letter](#)

[BL Monthly Transaction Report - 5854](#)

[new business license list](#)

There came on before the City Council a report of privilege licenses that have been issued for the month of December 2018. This report can be reviewed in the City Clerk's office.

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C. [ID 19-3515](#)

Monthly Report of the Budget Certification.

Attachments: [CERTIFICATION FY18](#)

[SALESTAX 2019](#)

[TOURISMTAX 2019](#)

[REVENUE 2019](#)

Mary Ann Hess, City Clerk/Finance Director, presented the following Budget and Purchasing Certification:

3. PUBLIC AGENDA

A. PUBLIC HEARING

1. SET PUBLIC HEARING

2. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING

A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Capers, seconded by Councilperson Anthony Page, to conduct a public hearing. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

A. [ID 19-3516](#)

Consider adopting a Resolution to conduct a public hearing on January 22, 2019 in regard to the property at 237 Stephens Ave, which is owned by Boliva & Deborah Cherry, to determine whether or not the property is in such a state of uncleanliness so as to be a menace to the public health and safety of the community. WARD 1

Attachments: [237 Stephens Ave](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Capers, seconded by Vice President Travares Comegys, that the Resolution be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

B. CITIZENS HEARING

C. CITIZENS FORUM

4. POLICY AGENDA

A. [ID 19-3504](#)

Consider adopting an Order authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to enter into a contract with Butler Snow to file the Continuing Disclosure Statement on the behalf of the City of Laurel, Mississippi.

Attachments: [order - Cont Disclosure State 2019](#)

[FY 2018 Continuing Disclosure Engagement Letter - City of Laurel MS_45486822_1](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Tony Wheat, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

B. [ID 19-3521](#)

Consider adopting a Resolution approving a Consent to Assignment of Amended Lease Agreement with Headrick Outdoor Media, Inc.

Attachments: [RESAuthorizeAgreementAd-HereConsentToAssignmentLeaseHeadrick2019](#)
[RESAuthorizeAgreementAd-HereConsentToAssignmentLeaseHeadrick2019ExhibitA](#)
[RESAuthorizeAgreementAd-HereConsentToAssignmentLeaseHeadrick2019ExhibitB](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Capers, seconded by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, that the Resolution be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

C. [ID 19-3520](#)

Consider adopting an Order approving the request of the Laurel Police Department being allowed to apply for the Office Against Interpersonal Violence (OAIV) Grant.

Attachments: [2019 OFFICE AGAINST INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Anthony Page, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

D. [ID 19-3501](#)

Consider adopting an Order accepting a donation from an anonymous donor to the Led Lighting Project.

Attachments: [Order to accept donation LED LIGHTING PROJECT 2019](#)
[LED Lighting Project 2019](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Capers, seconded by Council President Tony Thaxton, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

E. [ID 19-3519](#)

Consider adopting an Order approving a contract with Digital Filing Solutions, Inc. for the scanning of documents located within the City Clerk's Office.

Attachments: [order - scanning change4](#)
[DOC011519-01152019103507](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Anthony Page, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

F. [ID 19-3518](#)

Consider adopting an Order approving two contracts with Digital Filing Solutions, Inc. for the scanning of Human Resources Documents and the purchase of a scanner and another contract with Allegheny Shredders for the purchase of a shredder.

Attachments: [order - scanning change3](#)
[DOC011519-01152019111515](#)
[DOC011519-01152019103517](#)
[DOC011519-01152019111521](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Anthony Page, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

G. [ID 19-3510](#)

Consider adopting a Resolution to accept the Fire Safety Inspection bids from American Fire & Safety, Inc. effective for January 2019 - June 2021.

Attachments: [Resolution Fire Safety Inspection Bids](#)
[Fire Safety Bid Tabulations 2019 - 2021](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Capers, seconded by Councilperson Anthony Page, that the Resolution be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

H. [ID 19-3514](#)

Consider adopting an Order to rename Adams Street (between Leontyne Price and Magnolia) to Biker Blvd to compliment Hell-fighters Motorcycle Shop.

Attachments: [order for renaming adam st and phz min](#)

A motion was made by Vice President Travares Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Anthony Page, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

I. [ID 19-3513](#)

Consider adopting an Order approving the purchase of a full-page ad in the souvenir booklet for the Dr. Martin Luther King Day Annual Activities.

Attachments: [ORDER APPROVING PURCHASE OF MLK AD](#)
[MLK AD FORM 2019](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Anthony Page, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

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Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

J. [ID 19-3503](#)

Consider adopting the first reading of an Ordinance amending Appendix III and Personnel Rules and Regulations; Chapter 7. Employee Benefits, Section 8-1 (C). Rest and Meal Breaks.

Attachments: [ORDINANCEAmendPersonnelRegulations Rest & Meal Breaks 1-19](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Capers, seconded by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, that the Ordinance be approved on first reading. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

K. [ID 19-3499](#)

Consider adopting an Order confirming the appointment of Mrs. Willie Evans to the Municipal Election Commission.

Attachments: [ORDAppMunicipalElectionCommissionEvans2019](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Capers, seconded by Councilperson Anthony Page, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

L. [ID 19-3512](#)

Consider adopting an Order to approve travel for Mary Ann Hess, Kristal Jones, Lauren Stewart, and Sharon King to attend the 73rd IIMC Annual Conference in Birmingham, AL May 19-23, 2019.

Attachments: [Travel Order - 73rd IIMC Annual Conference](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Anthony Page, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

M. [ID 19-3502](#)

Consider adopting an Order approving travel, meals, registration and hotel expenses for Sandra Hadley, Safety Coordinator to attend the National Safety Council Southern Conference & Expo in New Orleans, LA on April 10-12, 2019.

Attachments: [ORDER approving Safety Coordinator travel 4-10-2019 \(003\)](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Anthony Page, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

N. [ID 19-3511](#)

Consider adopting an Order to approve certain budget amendments to FY 2019 budget.

Attachments: [Budget Amendment Order](#)
[Budget Amendment List](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Tony Wheat, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

O. [ID 19-3509](#)

Consider adopting an Order approving an increase in mileage reimbursement rate, in accordance with IRS regulations.

Attachments: [order - mileage reimb increase19](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Tony Wheat, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

P. [ID 19-3505](#)

Consider adopting an Order to approve lot cleaning assessments on the following properties:

- A. Cleaning of property belonging to Lucious Newell, located at 1728 General Pershing Street, Total Cost including \$75 administrative fee \$130.00 WD 1
- B. Cleaning of property belonging to Plum Hill Properties, located at 716 Poplar Drive, Total Cost including \$75 administrative fee \$130.00 WD 1
- C. Cleaning of property belonging to Van Miller, located at 1350 West Drive, Total Cost including \$75 administrative fee \$150.00 WD 7
- D. Cleaning of property belonging to Frank Corriere, located at 308 E Oak Street, Total Cost including \$75 administrative fee \$150.00 WD 5

Attachments: [assessments for January 22, 2019](#)
[back up for assessments20190114_10295289](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Anthony Page, seconded by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

5. ROUTINE AGENDA

A. [ID 19-3517](#)

Consider adopting a Resolution to approve the claims docket.

Attachments: [CLAIMS DOCKET RESOLUTION ONLY](#)
[WARRANT JANUARY 22 2019](#)
[CLAIMS DOCKET JANUARY 22 2019](#)

A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Capers, seconded by Councilperson Tony Wheat, that the Resolution be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:

Yea: 6 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

Absent: 1 - George Carmichael

EXECUTIVE SESSION

With no objections to adjourning, the President declared the meeting adjourned to Tuesday, February 5, 2019, this the 22nd day of January, A. D., 2019.

PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL
COUNCILPERSON WARD 3

COUNCILPERSON WARD 1

COUNCILPERSON WARD 5

COUNCILPERSON WARD 2

COUNCILPERSON WARD 6

COUNCILPERSON WARD 4

COUNCILPERSON WARD 7

ATTEST:

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK
