Meeting called to order by Council President Thomas.

Present: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Absent: None.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Parks & Recreation Director Mark Naylor and followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

Motion was made by Councilman Hammon duly seconded by Councilwoman Houston and unanimously passed by the Council to confirm the agenda for this meeting with an amendment to remove R-4.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Henson duly seconded by Councilwoman Houston and unanimously passed by the Council to approve the minutes dated September 10, 2013 and September 17, 2013.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15519 ORDER DECLARING EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES SURPLUS AND NO LONGER NEEDED BY THE CITY OF MERIDIAN AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SAID SURPLUS EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.
Nay: None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15520 ORDER AUTHORIZING INSTALLATION OF A STREET LIGHT AT 1723 16TH STREET

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.
Nay: None.
Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Resolution:

RESO. #5856  RESOLUTION CALLING HEARING TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND ARE IN SUCH A STATE OF UCLEANLINESS AS TO BE A MENACE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE COMMUNITY (NOVEMBER 05, 2013 @ 9:15 A.M.)

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Resolution was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea:  Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.
Nay:  None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15521 ORDER ACCEPTING MEMA ASSISTANCE TO THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM PROJECT #1972-0011 (WARNING SIREN SYSTEM AT FIRE STATION #9) AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT BETWEEN MEMA AND THE CITY OF MERIDIAN

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea:  Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.
Nay:  None.

Councilman Markham offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15522 ORDER ACCEPTING LOW BID FOR SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 20, 2013 THRU OCTOBER 19, 2014 FOR HYDRATED LIME FROM UNIMIN LIME CORP D/B/A SOUTHERN LIME COMPANY, CALERA, AL

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea:  Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.
Nay:  None.
ORDER #15523 ORDER ACCEPTING LOW BID FOR SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 20, 2013 THRU OCTOBER 19, 2014 FOR HYDROFLUOROSILICIC ACID FROM PENCCO, INC., SANTA FILEPE, TX

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.
Nay: None.

Councilman Markham offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15524 ORDER ACCEPTING LOW BID FOR SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 20, 2013 THRU OCTOBER 19, 2014 FOR HYDROFLUOROSILICIC ACID FROM IDEAL CHEMICAL & SUPPLY CO., MEMPHIS, TN (FOR SOUTH PLANT)

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.
Nay: None.

Councilman Markham offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15525 ORDER ACCEPTING LOW BID FOR SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 20, 2013 THRU OCTOBER 19, 2014 FOR LIQUID ALUM FROM GEO SPECIALTY CHEMICALS, INC., LITTLE ROCK, AR

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.
Nay: None.

Councilman Markham offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15526 ORDER ACCEPTING LOW BID FOR SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 20, 2013 THRU OCTOBER 19, 2014 FOR LIQUID CHLORINE FROM ALLIED UNIVERSAL CORP., MIAMI, FL

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:
ORDER #15527  ORDER ACCEPTING LOW BID FOR SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 20, 2013 THRU OCTOBER 19, 2014 FOR POLYMER FROM POLYDYNE, INC., RICEBORO, GA

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea:  Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.
Nay:  None.

ORDER #15528  ORDER ACCEPTING LOW BID FOR SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 20, 2013 THRU OCTOBER 19, 2014 FOR SULFUR DIOXIDE FROM ALLIED UNIVERSAL CORP., MIAMI, FL

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea:  Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.
Nay:  None.

ORDER #15529  ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONSULTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN ALTER EGO LLC AND THE CITY OF MERIDIAN

And, Councilman Markham seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea:  Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.
Nay:  None.

Next on the agenda was a contribution for the Boys & Girls Club. Councilman Markham advised that he had to abstain from this as he is a board member. Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:
ORDER #15530
ORDER AUTHORIZING CONTRIBUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF $10,000 TO THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF EAST MISSISSIPPI TO HELP OFFSET THE COST OF THEIR FLU AND WINTER PROGRAM

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Henson, Houston, Hammon.
Nay: None.
Abstain: Markham.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15531
ORDER ALLOCATING FY 2014 BUDGET SUBSIDIES, GRANTS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS EXPENDITURES

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.
Nay: None.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15532
ORDER RECORDING INTO THE MINUTES OF THE MERIDIAN CITY COUNCIL THE “CERTIFICATION TO MUNICIPAL COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE”

And, Councilman Markham seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.
Nay: None.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Henson duly seconded by Councilman Markham and unanimously passed by the Council to approve the claims docket dated September 26, 2013 in the amount of $1,996,606.65.

President Thomas advised of the notification of legal advertisement for: work uniforms – 12 month source of supply.
President Thomas called on Mayor Bland for his report. He went over major announcements – Atmos Energy, unveiling of Mississippi Arts & Entertainment Center sign, hotel projects, and a comprehensive plan for the medical hub. He thanked the Council for voting yea on 95% of his recommendations. Communication lines will remain open and they are trying to be as transparent as they can. He also thanked the Council for voting for the raises. He read a proclamation for “The Big Read” event. CAO Goldacker commented on the employee picnic held last Friday, the Threefoot clean-up held this past Saturday, Fire Prevention Month and the Safe Walk to School Month.

President Thomas called for council comments. Various comments were made. Councilman Markham advised that his Ward 2 meeting that was cancelled because of inclement weather would be held on Tuesday, October 22, 2013 @ 6:00 pm. at EMEPA.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned. Sine die.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam McInnis, Clerk of Council