REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2019 AT 5:00 P.M.

Meeting called to order by Council President, Tyrone Johnson.

Present: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.

Absent: None.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Ralph Henson, of Life Baptist Church and followed by the pledge to the flag.

Motion was made by Councilman Thomas duly seconded by Councilwoman F. Johnson and passed by a unanimous vote of the Council to confirm the agenda with the following amendment: Add (Request for Proposals – for Payroll Tracking System.) Voting yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann. Voting nay: None.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Houston duly seconded by Councilman T. Johnson and passed by a unanimous vote of the Council to confirm the agenda with the following amendment: Add (Request for Proposals – for Repair/Replacement of Air Condition System at the Frank Cochran Center.) Voting yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann. Voting nay: None.

Motion made by Councilman Thomas duly seconded by Councilwoman Houston and passed by a unanimous vote of the Council to approve the minutes dated June 04, 2019 and June 11, 2019. Voting yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann. Voting nay: None.

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

ORDER #16760 ORDER DETERMINING THAT CERTAIN POLICE VEHICLES ARE USED FOR CRIME DETECTION AND UNDERCOVER WORK AND SHOULD NOT BE MARKED SO AS TO BE IDENTIFIABLE AS CITY 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, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

Councilman Thomas offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:
ORDER #16761  ORDER DESIGNATING KDL SOLUTIONS, LLC AS THE SOLE SOURCE SUPPLIER OF THE ALERRT TRAINING EQUIPMENT FOR THE MERIDIAN TRAINING FACILITY

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

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

ORDER #16762  IN THE MATTER OF: THE CONFIRMATION OF THE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF SALLY GRAY TO THE MERIDIAN MUNICIPAL SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT TRUSTEES

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

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

ORDER #16763  ORDER RATIFYING THE TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MERIDIAN AND KERMIT KENDRICK WITH BURR & FORMAN, LLP, TO SERVE AS CITY ATTORNEY

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Recuse: F. Johnson.
Nay: None.

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

ORDER #16764  ORDER AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
JUSTICE FOR THE BULLETPROOF VESTS PARTNERSHIP (BVP) GRANT PROGRAM

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

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

ORDER #16765 ORDER AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT AWARDED TO THE CITY OF MERIDIAN THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (FY 18 JAG)

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

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

ORDER #16766 ORDER ACCEPTING DONATION FOR SPONSORSHIP FROM MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY FOR THE MERIDIAN 2019 JUNETEENTH FESTIVAL

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

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

ORDER #16767 ORDER AUTHORIZING DONATION OF $1,00 FOR A TABLE AT THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF EAST MISSISSIPPI ANNUAL FUND RAISING EVENT AT THE TOMMY DULANEY CENTER (JUNE 11, 2019) CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE DINNER
And, Councilman T. Johnson seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann. 
Abstain: F. Johnson. 
Nay: None.

Councilwoman F. Johnson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #16768  ORDER SETTING FEES AND ADOPTING POLICY REGARDING RENTAL OF SITES AT BONITA LAKES

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann. 
Nay: None.

Councilwoman F. Johnson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #16769  ORDER AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI AND THE MISSISSIPPI TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FOR 22ND AVENUE BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS (STP-9450-00 (005) LPA/1080008-701000)

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann. 
Nay: None.

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

ORDER #16770  ORDER AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF FIREWORKS DISPLAY AGREEMENT BETWEEN PYROTECNICO FIREWORKS, INC., NEW CASTLE, PA AND THE CITY OF MERIDIAN (JULY 4, 2019 FIREWORKS DISPLAY)

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: F. Johnson.

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

ORDER #16771 ORDER AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF ENTERTAINMENT AGREEMENTS WITH NINE (9) ARTISTS (ANNUAL JUNETEENTH HERITAGE FESTIVAL 2019)

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: F. Johnson.

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

ORDER #16772 IN THE MATTER OF: ACCEPTING THE BID OF CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK AT THE PERCENTAGE RATE OF 2.82% FOR LEASE PURCHASE FINANCING FOR AN E-ONE EMAX CUSTOM RESCUE PUMPER TRUCK AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF FINANCING DOCUMENTS

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

Councilwoman F. Johnson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Ordinance:

ORDI. #4522 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 12, ARTICLE III., SECTION 12-54 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI

And, Councilman T. Johnson seconded the motion, whereupon said Ordinance was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #16773 ORDER APPOINTING TYRONE JOHNSON AS PRESIDENT OF THE MERIDIAN CITY COUNCIL EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

Councilman T. Johnson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #16774 ORDER APPOINTING KIM HOUSTON AS VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE MERIDIAN CITY COUNCIL EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

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

ORDER #16775 ORDER APPOINTING JO ANN CLARK AS CLERK OF COUNCIL EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

Motion was made by Councilman Thomas duly seconded by Councilwoman F. Johnson and passed by a majority vote of the Council to approve Section (1) Payroll of the claims docket in the amount of $993,803.74. Voting yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston. Voting nay: Lindemann.
Motion was made Councilman Thomas duly seconded by Councilwoman F. Johnson and passed by a majority vote of the Council to **approve Section (2) Mandatory & Operational Items** of the claims docket in the amount of **$1,541,663.16**. Voting yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston. Voting nay: Lindemann.

**Total amount approved/passed $2,535,466.90** claims docket dated, June 13, 2019.

President T. Johnson advised of the notification of legal advertisement for the following:

a) Request for Proposals – Payroll Tracking System.
b) Request for Proposals – Repair/Replace Air Conditioning System at the Frank Cochran Center.

President T. Johnson called for the Mayor’s Report:

Mayor Bland presented a plaque to Mr. Joseph (Mike) Hatcher to commemorate his retirement from the city garage and thank him for his service. Mr. Hatcher said this is his second retirement; he had retired from the Police Department first.

President T. Johnson called for citizen comments:

a) Melinda Vinson Northam - spoke
b) Jim Knowles – spoke
c) Loretta Bennett – spoke
d) Mitchel Marshall or Matt Baldridge – did not appear
e) Tommy Williams - spoke

President T. Johnson called for Council comments:

Various comments were made.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann Clark, Clerk of Council