

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Hernando met in regular session at City Hall on Tuesday, April 5, 2016, at 6:00 P.M. with Mayor Chip Johnson presiding. Aldermen present were: Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, and Alderman Hobbs. Also present for the meeting were: City Clerk Katie Harbin, City Attorney Kenny Stockton, Fire Chief Hubert Jones, Police Chief Scott Worsham, Assistant Police Chief Shane Ellis, City Engineer Joe Frank Lauderdale, Planning Director Jared Darby, DW Gilbert, Public Works Director Gary McElhannon, Mayors Executive Assistant Michelle Dunn, Emily Harris, Derick Biglane, Henry Bailey, Brian Couch, Brian Sajdak, Ty Owen, Roman Swatzyna, Roy and Janet Booth, Arlie Walters, Brad Welch, Vickey McLendon, Beth Ross, Randy Cobb, Carolyn Richards, Michelle Stubbs, Wesley Callahan, Leslie Bierman, Danny Carter, Kim Derryberry, Tracey Doss, Kim Sart, Michael, Hollie McDonald, Richard Witman, Jason Parolli, Traci Thompson, Roy Ketchum, Misty Blaskey, Niki Coker, Heather Lawson, Janet Clements, Rahcel Wright, April Davis, Niki Flanagan, and Russell Brooks.

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### INVOCATION

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Alderman Miller gave the invocation.

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### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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Agenda  
City of Hernando  
Mayor and Board of Alderman  
Regular Meeting

April 5, 2016

6:00pm

- 1) Call the meeting to order
- 2) Invocation
- 3) Approve Agenda
- 4) Approve Docket of Claims No.'s 112045 – 112314 less 112053, 112055, 112056, 112057, 112094, and 112095
- 5) Approve Docket of Claims No.'s (Lauderdale) 112055 and 112056
- 6) Approve Docket of Claims No.'s (Bryant) 112094 and 112095
- 7) Approve Docket of Claims No.'s (Miller) 112053 and 112057

- 8) Approve payment of Universal Premium invoice in the amount of \$4,348.71 (did not make the docket)
- 9) Approve Minutes
- 10) Consent Agenda
  - A) Authorize Chief Hubert Jones, Marshel Berry and Jeremy McCallum to attend the MFCA/MFFA (MS Fire Chiefs/MS Firefighters) conference in Natchez, MS on June 2-5, 2016 and approve travel expenses. No Registration needed
  - B) Authorize Neil Waldrop to attend the Mississippi Rural Water Association 2016 Backflow Prevention Certification Class on September 26-30, 2016 in Raymond, MS, and authorize to pay registration and travel expenses
  - C) Authorize Joanna Herring, Melanie Gatlin, and Josh Ward to attend the MEMTA Conference in Robinsonville, MS on April 21-24, 2016, and authorize to pay registration
  - D) Authorize termination of Panthia Bradley from the Dispatch Department (Panthia Bradley was hired December 9, 2015, and has been a no call/no show. We have tried to contact her, but have not gotten an answer)
- 11) Request from Palmer Home to temporary close streets (earlier than previous request)
- 12) Request from the Interfaith Council on Poverty to temporary close streets for a 5K
- 13) Authorize step increase for Officer Joseph Harris to hourly rate of pay of \$21.00
- 14) Authorize step increase for Officer Sherita Morgan to hourly rate of pay of \$18.85
- 15) Authorize to hire Charles Nelson in the Public Works Department at a rate of \$11.00 per hour
- 16) Authorize to hire Sandra Bonner as a part time Dispatcher with a rate of \$10.20 per hour
- 17) Approve amending the 2012 International Building Code and the 2012 International Fire Code – Creation of E-1 Occupancy
- 18) Authorize Mayor Johnson to sign a contract for grass cutting at the I-55 exits, and cemeteries with US Lawns.
- 19) Authorize Freeport Warehouse tax exemption for Niteo Products LLC (three locations – new ownership/name change)
- 20) Authorize to advertise for bid for concession stand / bathrooms for the soccer complex

- 21) Adopt the DRA Resolution for water line grant funding
- 22) Request for sewer service for property off of Holly Springs Road, ½ mile east of Getwell on the north side of Holly Springs Rd
- 23) Discussion of projects to be funded with the bond issue proceeds
- 24) Executive Session – Police Personnel
- 25) Adjourn

Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon, and seconded by Alderwoman Brooks to approve the agenda as presented. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting “Aye”: Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, and Alderman Hobbs.

Those voting “Nay”: None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.

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**APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS NO.’S 112045 – 112314 LESS 112053, 112055, 112056, 112057, 112094, AND 112095**

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Alderman McLendon asked about the soccer referee pay.

Mayor Johnson answered that he would get those numbers to Mr. McLendon.

The Board of Aldermen were presented with a docket of claims No. 112045 – 112314 less 112053, 112055, 112056, 112057, 112094, and 112095 in the amount of \$1,294,896.88 for approval.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller, and seconded by Alderman Bryant to approve the docket of claims for payment as presented. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting “Aye”: Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, and Alderman Lauderdale.

Those voting “Nay”: None.

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**APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS NO.’S 112055 - 112056 (LAUDERDALE)**

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Alderman Lauderdale recused himself and left the room.

The Board of Aldermen were presented with a docket of claims No. 112055 - 112056 in the amount of \$442,685.29 for approval.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon, and seconded by Alderwoman Brooks to approve the docket of claims for payment as presented. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, and Alderman Bryant.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS NO.'S 112055 - 112056 (BRYANT)**

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Alderman Bryant recused himself and left the room.

The Board of Aldermen were presented with a docket of claims No. 112094 - 112095 in the amount of \$210.00 for approval.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Hobbs, and seconded by Alderman Miller to approve the docket of claims for payment as presented. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, and Alderman Miller.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS NO.'S 111854 (MILLER)**

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Alderman Miller recused himself and left the room.

The Board of Aldermen were presented with a docket of claims No. 111854 in the amount of \$69,703.31 for approval.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Hobbs, and seconded by Alderman Higdon to approve the docket of claims for payment as presented. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, and Alderman Higdon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016

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**APPROVE PAYMENT OF UNIVERSAL PREMIUM INVOICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,348.71 (DID NOT MAKE THE DOCKET)**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Hobbs, and seconded by Alderman Higdon to approve the payment of Universal Premium invoice in the amount of \$4,348.71. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, and Alderman McLendon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016

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**APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING ON MARCH 15,  
2016**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon, and seconded by Alderwoman Brooks to approve the Minutes from the regular Board Meeting on March 15, 2016 as presented. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon and Alderwoman Brooks.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

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- A) Authorize Chief Hubert Jones, Marshel Berry and Jeremy McCallum to attend the MFCA/MFFA (MS Fire Chiefs/MS Firefighters) conference in Natchez, MS on June 2-5, 2016 and approve travel expenses. No Registration needed
- B) Authorize Neil Waldrop to attend the Mississippi Rural Water Association 2016 Backflow Prevention Certification Class on September 26-30, 2016 in Raymond, MS, and authorize to pay registration and travel expenses
- C) Authorize Joanna Herring, Melanie Gatlin, and Josh Ward to attend the MEMTA Conference in Robinsonville, MS on April 21-24, 2016, and authorize to pay registration
- D) Authorize termination of Panthia Bradley from the Dispatch Department (Panthia Bradley was hired December 9, 2015, and has been a no call/no show. We have tried to contact her, but have not gotten an answer)

Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller, and seconded by Alderman Bryant to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, and Alderman Miller.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016

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**REQUEST FROM PALMER HOME TO TEMPORARY CLOSE STREETS (EARLIER  
THAN PREVIOUS REQUEST)**

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Michelle Stubbs presented the request. The original request was to close the streets at 5pm. Palmer Home is now requesting that they be allowed to close the streets at 2 pm.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller, and seconded by Alderman Higdon to approve the request for temporary street closures at 2pm on Friday April 8, 2016 for the Palmer

Home MudBug Bash, contingent on a signed statement that the businesses are ok with closing the street at that time. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant Alderman Miller, and Alderman Higdon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016

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**REQUEST FROM THE INTERFAITH COUNCIL ON POVERTY TO TEMPORARY  
CLOSE STREETS FOR 5K**

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Motion was duly made by Alderwoman Brooks, and seconded by Alderman Hobbs to approve the request from the Interfaith Council on Poverty to temporary close streets for a 5K. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, and Alderman McLendon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**AUTHORIZE STEP INCREASE FOR OFFICER JOSEPH HARRIS TO AN HOURLY  
RATE OF PAY OF \$21.00 PER HOUR**

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Alderman McLendon asked Chief Worsham what shift Officer Harris worked and how long he has been with the City.

Police Chief Worsham answered that Officer Harris works night shifts and has been an employee with the City for four years.

Alderman McLendon stated that he was concerned about the soccer referee's making more per hour than the officers.

Alderman Miller stated that this should be done at budget time, we have scales in place.

Alderman McLendon stated that he agreed, but people should know what we have going on, and with a room full of people, what better way.

Alderman Miller answered that this information, nor the meetings were hidden.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller, and seconded by Alderman Bryant to authorize a step increase for Officer Joseph Harris to an hourly rate of pay of \$21.00 per hour. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, and Alderwoman Brooks.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016

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**AUTHORIZE STEP INCREASE FOR OFFICER SHERITA MORGAN TO AN HOURLY RATE OF PAY OF \$18.85**

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Alderman McLendon asked what shift Officer Morgan worked and long she has been with the City.

Police Chief Worsham answered that Officer Morgan is on the night shift and has been in the Police Department since October of 2014.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon, and seconded by Alderman Miller to authorize the step increase for Officer Sherita Morgan to an hourly rate of pay of \$18.85. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, and Alderman Miller.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**AUTHORIZE TO HIRE CHARLES NELSON IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AT A RATE OF \$11.00 PER HOUR**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller, and seconded by Alderman Higdon to authorize to hire Charles Nelson in the Public Works Department at a rate of \$11.00 per hour, per the recommendation of the Personnel Committee, following the recommendation of the Public Works Director. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, and Alderman Higdon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**AUTHORIZE TO HIRE SANDRA BONNER AS A PART TIME DISPATCHER AT A RATE OF \$10.20 PER HOUR**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon, and seconded by Alderman Hobbs to authorize to hire Sandra Bonner as a part time dispatcher at a rate of \$10.20 per hour, per the Personnel Committee's recommendation, following the recommendation of the Police Chief. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, and Alderman McLendon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016

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**APPROVE AMENDING THE 2012 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE AND THE  
2012 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE – CREATION OF E-1 OCCUPANCY**

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Jared Darby presented the amendment.



**City of Hernando  
Office of Planning**

**Date of Request:** TBA

**Request Number:** PL-1169

**Type of Request:** Request for Review and Approval by the City of Hernando Mayor and Board of Alderman

**Purpose:** Request to Amend the 2012 International Building Code and the 2012 International Fire Code – Creation of E-1 Occupancy

**Intent:** To promote and protect the public health, safety, and welfare of occupants in small educational occupancies while minimizing the economic burden of having to comply with the same requirements of large educational occupancies.



**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2012 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE AND THE 2012 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE AS ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF HERNANDO MISSISSIPPI AND AS PUBLISHED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL (ICC),**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Hernando has chosen to adopt and enforce building construction codes for one-family dwellings, two-family dwellings, and all other building types to promote and protect the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Hernando has determined that a small educational occupancy does not present a major threat to life or safety of the occupants due to the occupancy load of the structure and the students and, or, instructors being awake and alert during the hours that the building is occupied; and

WHEREAS, the students and instructors are familiar with the surroundings, means of egress and other features of the building in which the occupancy is located; and

WHEREAS, the students and instructors regularly practice the orderly, emergency evacuation of the buildings through the use of frequent Fire Drills and other emergency preparedness discussions; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the undue economic burden placed on small educational occupancies by having to comply with the same regulations as large schools will prevent the future development of “Cottage Schools” and other small educational facilities within the City of Hernando; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Planning and the Fire Department of the City of Hernando reviewed this ordinance and its impact on both the safety and protection of the occupants and the economic impact and make a unanimous recommendation to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to approve the proposal; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing before the Mayor and Board of Aldermen was held on April 5, 2016, pursuant to notice thereof published in a newspaper of general circulation within the community on April 19, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN FOR THE CITY OF HERNANDO, MISSISSIPPI, THAT:

Section 1 The 2012 International Building Code (IBC) and The International Fire Code (IFC) as published by the International Code Council and adopted by the City of Hernando are hereby amended as follows:

Section 2 **IBC Modifications:**

**Amend IBC Section 305 Educational Group E by adding the following sub-section;**

**305.3 Group E-1, Educational Occupancies that have an occupant load of 100 or less where the youngest occupant is a minimum of five (5) years old, located on the level of exit discharge.**

**Amend IBC Section 903.2.3 by adding the following exception;**

**Exception:** An automatic sprinkler system is not required in any Group E-1 occupancy or Group E-1 fire areas as defined in section 305.3

**Add IBC Section 901.2.3.1 Group E-1**

**907.2.3.1 Group E-1.** A manual fire alarm system that initiates the occupant notification signal utilizing an emergency voice/alarm communication system meeting the requirements of Section 907.5.2.2 and installed in accordance with Section 907.6 shall be installed in Group E occupancies. When automatic sprinkler systems or smoke detectors are installed, such systems or detectors shall be connected to the building fire alarm system.

**Exceptions:**

1. A manual fire alarm system is not required in Group E-1 occupancies with an occupant load of 30 or less.
2. Manual fire alarm boxes are not required in Group E-1 occupancies where all of the following apply:
  - 2.1. Interior corridors are protected by smoke detectors.
  - 2.2. Auditoriums, cafeterias, gymnasiums and similar areas are protected by heat detectors or other approved detection devices.
  - 2.3. Shops and laboratories involving dusts or vapors are protected by heat detectors or other approved detection devices.
3. Manual fire alarm boxes shall not be required in Group E-1 occupancies where the building is equipped throughout with an approved automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1, the emergency voice/alarm communication system will activate on sprinkler water flow and manual activation is provided from a normally occupied location.

## Section 3

**IFC Modifications:****Amend IFC Section 903.2.3 by adding the following exception;**

**Exception:** An automatic sprinkler system is not required in any Group E-1 occupancy as defined in IBC Section 305.3 and as amended by section 2 of this ordinance.

**Amend IFC Section 404.2 by adding the following subsection;**

**404.2 Where required.** An approved fire safety and evacuation plan shall be prepared and maintained for the following occupancies and buildings.

16. Group E-1

**Amend IFC Table 405.2 to include;**

**405.2 Frequency.** Required emergency evacuation drills shall be held at the intervals specified in Table 405.2 or more frequently where necessary to familiarize all occupants with the drill procedure.

**Table 405.2 Fire and Evacuation Drill Frequency and Participation**

<b>Group or Occupancy</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Participation</b>
Group E-1	Monthly	All occupants

**Add IFC Section 902.3.1 Group E-1;**

**907.2.3.1 Group E-1.** A manual fire alarm system that initiates the occupant notification signal utilizing an emergency voice/alarm communication system meeting the requirements of Section 907.5.2.2 and installed in accordance with Section 907.6 shall be installed in Group E occupancies. When automatic sprinkler systems or smoke detectors are installed, such systems or detectors shall be connected to the building fire alarm system.

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  - 2.3. Shops and laboratories involving dusts or vapors are protected by heat detectors or other approved detection devices.
3. Manual fire alarm boxes shall not be required in Group E-1 occupancies where the building is equipped throughout with an approved automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1, the emergency voice/alarm communication system will activate on sprinkler water flow and manual activation is provided from a normally occupied location.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Lauderdale, and seconded by Alderman Higdon to approve amending the 2012 International Building Code and the 212 International Fire Code – creation of E-1 Occupancy. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting “Aye”: Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, and Alderwoman Brooks.

Those voting “Nay”: None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016

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**AUTHORIZE MAYOR JOHNSON TO SIGN A CONTRACT FOR GRASS CUTTING  
AT THE I-55 EXITS, AND CEMETERIES WITH US LAWNS**

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Alderman Miller asked how we advertised.

Mayor Johnson answered that we just called around for quotes. No other companies quoted close to what US Lawns can cut for.

Roy Ketchum, 385 Kimberlin, asked how much would it be for the cemetery.

Mayor Jonson answered \$425 per cut and \$810 per spray/fertilizer application.

Roy Ketchum asked about the money for the cemetery from the old ordinance.

Kenny Stockton answered Mr. Ketchum that the answer has not changed from the first time he asked. The money was collected and the cemetery was taken care of. The previous employees did not keep a separate perpetual fund.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon, and seconded by Alderman Hobbs to authorize Mayor Johnson to sign a contract for grass cutting at the I-55 exits, and cemeteries with US Lawns. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting “Aye”: Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, and Alderman Miller

Those voting “Nay”: None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016

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**AUTHORIZE FREEPORT WAREHOUSE TAX EXEMPTION FOR NITEO  
PRODUCTS LLC (three locations – new ownership/name change)**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon, and seconded by Alderman McLendon to authorize Freeport Warehouse tax exemption for Niteo Products LLC. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, and Alderman Higdon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016

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**AUTHORIZE TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR A CONCESSION STAND /  
BATHROOM BUILDING AT THE SOCCER COMPLEX**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller, and seconded by Alderman Hobbs to authorize to advertise for bids for concession stand / bathroom building at the soccer complex. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, and Alderman McLendon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016

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**ADOPT THE DRA RESOLUTION FOR WATER LINE GRANT FUNDING**

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Mayor Johnson went over the grant information. Mr. Johnson stated that this is for the Downtown water line project. The only match is what we pay the engineer.

Alderman Hobbs asked how long this process will take.

Mayor Johnson answered that it will take about 6 weeks.

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Delta Regional Authority (hereinafter "DRA") was created by Congress by the *Delta Regional Authority Act of 2000*, as amended, as a federal/state partnership now comprised of 252 counties and parishes within the eight states of Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri and Tennessee in order to remedy severe and chronic economic distress by stimulating economic development and fostering partnerships that will have a positive impact on the Delta Region's economy;

WHEREAS, the City of Hernando, acting by and through its Board of Aldermen proposes to apply for a award with DRA for the Fiscal Year 2016 federal award program cycle;

WHEREAS, DRA requires that a person be designated, appointed, and given the authority to perform certain duties and administration of said award for and on behalf of the Awardee;

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen met in a regular session on April 5, 2016 whereby a quorum was present;

WHEREAS, a motion was made by Alderman Lauderdale, was seconded by Alderwoman Brooks, to designate and appoint Chip Johnson to perform all duties and

administration of said award, which carried unanimously by voice vote and was recorded on the minutes;

WHEREAS, a motion was made by Alderman Lauderdale, was seconded by Alderwoman Brooks, to provide additional funds in the amount of \$20,000 (\$20,000 from City) to said award which carried unanimously by voice vote and was recorded on the minutes;

WHEREAS, a motion was made by Alderman Lauderdale, was seconded by Alderwoman Brooks, that in the event of an administration change, the new Mayor shall continue to have such authority under this Resolution.

NOW THEREFORE, *BE IT RESOLVED THAT*, by the Board of Aldermen, as follows:

THAT, Chip Johnson, be and is hereby designated and appointed to perform on behalf of the City of Hernando and has the authority to make those acts and assume any and all duties in dealing with the award with DRA for the Fiscal Year - 2016 federal award program cycle;

THAT, Chip Johnson is hereby authorized to execute and submit any and all documents including, but not limited to, applications, award closing documents, request for funds, status reports to DRA for the Fiscal Year – 2016 federal award program cycle;

THAT, the Awardee agrees to provide additional funds in the amount of \$20,000 (\$20,000 from City) to said award;

THAT, in the event of an administration change, the new Mayor shall continue to have such authority under this Resolution.

*READ AND ADOPTED*, this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.

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Chip Johnson  
Mayor

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ATTEST

**REQUEST FOR SEWER SERVICE FOR PROPERTY OFF OF HOLLY SPRINGS ROAD, ½ MILE EAST OF GETWELL ON THE NORT SIDE OF HOLLY SPRING RD**

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Joe Frank Lauderdale presented the information on the request, stated that the developer will pay all costs. This area will have North Mississippi water.

Alderman Miller asked if we could put something in place for payment of the sewer bill.

Mayor Johnson stated that he has been thinking of ways to make the customers with only sewer pay their bills.

Alderman Miller asked if there was a way to cut them off.

Joe Frank Lauderdale answered that there were several ways to do that, they were looking into that.

Alderman Miller asked what the timeline was.

Joe Frank Lauderdale stated that he wasn't sure, but didn't know if it would be this year.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller, and seconded by Alderman McLendon to table this item for more research about the methods to collect the bills due. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, and Alderman Miller.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016

### **DISCUSSION OF PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED WITH THE BOND ISSUE PROCEEDS**

Mayor Johnson went over the already approved projects.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Lauderdale, and seconded by Alderman McLendon set aside \$1,000,000.00 for the McIngvale I69 project, \$1,000,000.00 for the match on the MPO projects, \$500,000 for a down payment for a water purchase, and \$450,000.00 for the soccer complex. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman McLendon, Alderman Lauderdale, and Alderman Higdon.

Those voting "Nay": Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Bryant, and Alderman Miller.

MOTION FAILED.

Discussion continued.

Alderman Miller stated that he wants the items to be done individually.

Alderman Lauderdale stated that those items do not use all of the bond money.

Alderman Miller stated you are close.

Frankie Shannon stated that all of this money y'all are quoting, but the water problem on my street still hasn't been taken care of.

Kim Derryberry presented information to the Board on the animal shelter. She stated that" it is hard to get through to the dog catcher. I am catching dogs all of the time. I know we need the land for a new animal shelter, and I know we are requesting \$200,000. We have a layout, and it will be a starting point. Mississippi State said they will come spay/neuter the animals for free if we have an organized shelter. I know there are times that some animals have to be put down, but

what we have is inhumane. We have thought of different ideas to generate some money in, fees, fundraisers, etc. The City is growing, adding more neighborhoods, people and dogs. I would even do the contracting for the building at cost”

Alderwoman Brooks asked Fire Chief Jones to explain the situation of the current building.

Fire Chief Jones stated that it started out as a 2 year deal, it has now been 6 years.

Alderman Hobbs asked if the improved fire rating contingent upon moving the animal shelter.

Alderman Miller answered yes.

An audience member asked how long the animals are kept.

An animal shelter volunteer answered forever or until we find a home.

Alderman McLendon asked how long does Desoto County keep them.

An audience member answered 30 days.

An animal shelter volunteer stated that we keep the animals as long as we have to, until we have a home for them. The animals sit in a cage all day, every day.

Alderwoman Brooks stated that we could also qualify for grants if we had an organized building.

An animal shelter volunteer stated that we, as volunteers, do everything we can for this shelter. Not asking the City to do everything, just help.

Alderwoman Brooks asked Mayor Johnson if he asked the county about helping.

Mayor Johnson answered yes, they had no interest, and Alderman McLendon stated that he has spoken with them too.

Mayor Johnson thanked the volunteers.

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Motion was duly made by Alderman McLendon and seconded by Alderwoman Brooks to set aside \$1,000,000.00 for the McIngvale I69 project. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting “Aye”: Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, and Alderman Higdon.

Those voting “Nay”: None.

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Hobbs and seconded by Alderwoman Brooks to set aside \$969,000.00 for the match on the MPO projects. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, and Alderman Higdon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Lauderdale and seconded by Alderman Higdon to set aside \$450,000.00 for the lighting and fields at the soccer complex. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman McLendon, Alderman Lauderdale, and Alderman Higdon.

Those voting "Nay": Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Bryant, and Alderman Miller.

MOTION FAILED

Motion was duly made by Alderman Lauderdale and seconded by Alderman McLendon to set aside \$500,000.00 for a down payment for a water system. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman McLendon, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, and Alderman Higdon.

Those voting "Nay": Alderwoman Brooks,

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Lauderdale, and seconded by Alderman McLendon to set aside \$250,000.00 for the lighting and fields at the soccer complex.

THE MOTION WAS WITHDRAWN from Alderman Lauderdale.

Brian Sajdak stated that this City has great kids and coaching playing soccer. We will have tryouts in May, it will get darker soon. We have picked up debris off of areas not being used so we can have practices, we need more fields and lights for the kids to safely practice and play.

Jason Parolli stated that we've raised \$25,000.00 in private funds for the fields. This can be a money maker. It is about \$600.00 a team for a tournament that we are paying other places. We are asking for the fields and lights to be finished. Please reconsider.

Derick Biglane stated that we do actually have an opportunity to bid on a tournament for next year. With the improvements asked for, lights, finishing fields, and the concession stand/restroom building, we can bid on this. Tournaments can bring in money. Please reconsider the \$450,000.00.

Alderwoman Brooks asked Alderman Lauderdale what the \$250,000.00 would be for.

Alderman Lauderdale answered that the soccer group could say.

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Alderman Miller stated that the Board would decide.

Carolyn Richards stated that she praised the Board for trying to help the citizens by keeping the taxes low. I did not know the large percentage that was going to the soccer. I know there are a lot of projects that need to be done. Drainage, Animal Shelter, etc. Needs come first, then pleasure. We have a lot of needs that need to be taken care of before parks. Soccer people are demanding. Parks is a pleasure.

Brian Couch stated that tournaments are every weekend. I was recently at one with two separate tournaments at the same park. They will bring in money and people. Most people moving here have kids and ask where are the parks. We are a Parks City. Don't half way do it, don't short it.

Brad Welch stated that he has a six year old son, we were thinking of moving to the Lewisburg area, but decided to stay in Hernando because of soccer. I know how budgets are built, I build them. You can't tell me that you don't make money off of tournaments. They bring money in. People shopping, eating at restaurants, hotels, etc. It's tax revenue. People are moving to Hernando for the Parks. Why would you even start without finishing it.

Alderwoman Brooks stated that from her perspective, I'm not saying no to soccer. We have to be diligent in looking at all of this money, we have to address what we are obligated to do.

Cindy Parolli stated that they understand the tug and pull, we are just asking for 14%. We really do understand the toughness of making the decisions. Just 14%.

Alderman Miller stated that we have a lot of projects on the list.

Alderman Higdon stated that we made a step, we need to make the next step, a minimum of lighting 2 fields and finishing 3 fields.

Alderman Lauderdale stated the \$450,000.00 has not used up all of the bond issue. We have other sources for water and sewer with the state. Soccer does not have any other funding opportunities. We will not have enough money without bond money.

Alderman Miller asked how could we pay for a revolving loan, how would we pay, we have sewer, safety, lighting issues that have not been addressed. Several other projects not addressed. Safety and health issues are hazardous.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Lauderdale and seconded by Alderman McLendon to set aside \$450,000.00 for the lighting and fields at the soccer complex. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman McLendon, Alderman Lauderdale, and Alderman Higdon.

Those voting "Nay": Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Bryant, and Alderman Miller.

**MOTION FAILED**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Higdon and seconded by Alderman McLendon to set aside \$395,000.00 for the lighting and fields at the soccer complex. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, and Alderman Hobbs.

Those voting "Nay": Alderman Miller.

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Alderman Hobbs stated that he is concerned about the animal shelter.

Alderman McLendon stated that we need to speak with the county. Mr. McLendon spoke with Vanessa.

Alderwoman Brooks stated that she spoke with Michael Lee and he doesn't think the county will be interested in helping.

Alderman Bryant stated that we need to start looking at land.

Mayor Johnson stated that he has been looking around and was thinking the industrial park, by the jail is a great place.

Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller and seconded by Alderman Bryant to set aside \$275,000.00 for the animal shelter building and acquisition of land. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, and Alderman Hobbs.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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Alderman Lauderdale asked about the expense of running it.

Police Chief Worsham stated that when he became the Police Chief, he didn't even know we had a shelter. I took a tour up there and I think that we are obligated to provide better services to our citizens and fix this issue. We will be very creative to run this shelter.

Motion was made by Alderman Hobbs set aside the remaining \$297,000.00 for the soccer complex. A vote was taken with the following results:

MOTION WAS WITHDRAWN

Alderman Lauderdale stated that we do not have enough money to finish the Montclair paving.

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Lauderdale and seconded by Alderman Miller to table this item to research what to do with the remaining \$297,000.00 bond money. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, and Alderman Hobbs.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS GOING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR POLICE PERSONNEL**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Lauderdale, and seconded by Alderman Higdon to go into closed session to discuss going into executive session for police personnel. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, and Alderman McLendon

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR POLICE PERSONNEL**

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Motion was duly made by Alderwoman Brooks, and seconded by Alderman McLendon to go into executive session for police personnel. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, and Alderman Miller.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR POLICE PERSONNEL**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Hobbs, and seconded by Alderwoman Brooks to come out of executive session for police personnel. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, and Alderman Higdon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**POLICE PERSONNEL**

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Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller, and seconded by Alderman Hobbs to suspend Police Officer for 2 working days, (12 hour shifts), at Police Chief Worshams discretion. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Lauderdale, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, and Alderman McLendon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

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**ADJOURN**

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There being no further business at this time a motion was duly made by Alderman Lauderdale, seconded by Alderman Bryant to adjourn.

Motion passed with a unanimous vote of "Aye".

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MAYOR CHIP JOHNSON

ATTEST:

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KATIE HARBIN, CITY CLERK