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**MEETING OF
THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS
April 4, 2023**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

II. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

III. APPROVE MINUTES FOR PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

A. Approve Minutes from Meeting of March 21, 2023

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

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| D. Hughes | A. | Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend the "Vehicle Extriction/Rescue Technician" to be held in Pearl, MS, and approve payment of registration, travel, and meal expenses in the amount \$600.00. |
| D. Hughes | B. | Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend the "NFPA 1041 I-II (Fire Service Instructor)" to be held in Pearl, MS, and approve payment of registration, travel, and meal expenses in the amount \$950.00. |
| D. Hughes | C. | Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend the "Haz-Mat" to be held in Pearl, MS, and approve payment of registration, travel, and meal expenses in the amount \$75.00. |
| J. Daughtry | D. | Approve permit request on behalf of Zion Gate Baptist Church Outreach Ministry, to host a "Clothing Giveaway" to be held on April 15, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Shields Sims Housing Complex, Avenue A and 4th Street South. |
| J. Daughtry | E. | Approve request for the CPD Chief to attend the "2023 MS Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Conference" to be held in Biloxi, and approve payment for registration, travel and meal expenses in the estimated amount of \$700.00. |
| J. Daughtry | F. | Accept letter of resignation from three (3) CPD Officers and one (1) CID Investigator and approve compensation for unused vacation leave per state policy. |
| J. Garrett | G. | Approve request for payment of webmaster's service in the amount of \$658.34. |
| C. Bush | H. | Accept letter of resignation from one (1) Public Works employee, approve compensation for unused vacation leave per state policy and authorize HR to begin the normal recruitment process. |
| C. Bush | I. | Accept voluntary resignation of one (1) Public Works employee and authorize HR to begin the normal recruitment process. |
| D. Hughes | J. | Accept letter of resignation from one (1) Fire & Rescue Personnel and approve compensation for unused vacation leave per state policy. |

V. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS.

- A. Approve Docket of Claims for April 4, 2023

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

- A. Comments from Mayor & Council

- J. Daughtry** B. Swearing In of two (2) CPD Officers

- * Victor Salter
- * Rodrick Clark

- J. Daughtry** C. Presentation to Officer Melvin Shirley

- J. Garrett** D. Board Vacancies

TREE BOARD

2 Vacancies, 3 Year Terms, Michael Foster and Mildred Monroe Terms Expired 12/03/2022.
Appointment will be made April 4, 2023.

Jill Drouillard

TREE BOARD

2 Vacancies, 3 Year Terms, Bruce Sansing's Term Expires 04/07/2023 & Reid Nevin's Term Expires 04/19/2023.

Appointments will be made April 18, 2023.

No applicants at this time.

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

- A. Drayco Elamin - Emerald Drive Issues

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

- S. James** A. Discuss/Approve Derelict Property Docket

- C. Bush, P. Mitchell** B. Discuss/Approve request to hire one (1) Boom Truck Operator, pending successful completion of a pre-employment drug screen and medical exam.

- J. Daughtry, P. Mitchell** C. Discuss/Approve request to fill the vacant position of Records Clerk in CPD and authorize the HR Director to begin the normal recruitment process.

- D. Duston, Y. Jamison** D. Discuss/Approve naming Columbus Lowndes County Airport Terminal in honor of Lt. Col. Alva Temple.

- Dan Duston, Y. Jamison** E. Discuss/Approve split funding with Lowndes County for Tuskegee Airman Rise Above Presentation.

- K. Stafford, E. Stewart** F. Discuss/Approve engaging the TRVWMD to clean drainage along HWY 69, from Dean Acres to the Lux.

- K. Stafford, E. Stewart** G. Discuss/Approve engaging Lowndes County to trap beavers in drainage areas around HWY 69.

- K. Stafford, E. Stewart** H. Discuss/Approve Public Works cleaning drainage associated with Pandora Drive.

- K. Stafford, E. I. Stewart** I. Discuss/Approved use of ARPA funding to clean two (2) drainage subbasins near MUW and 15th Street, contingent upon award of State matching funds.
- K. Stafford, G. J. Lewis** J. Discuss/Approve Propst Park Youth Baseball Improvements.
- G. Lewis, P. Mitchell** K. Discuss/Approve Columbus Parks & Recreation's hiring of (6) six summer workers and one (1) seasonal laborer contingent on successful completion of pre-employment drug screening.
- G. Lewis** L. Discuss/Approve Columbus Parks & Recreation increasing the pay of six (6) seasonal workers from \$8.00 to \$10.00 and one (1) seasonal laborer from \$10.00 to \$12.00.
- J. Daughtry** M. Discuss/Approve request to hire four (4) Entry-Level Police Officers pending completion of all preliminary testing and approval from Civil Service Commission.
- J. Daughtry, J. N. Brigham** N. Discuss/Approve revision to Fleet Leasing Program.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION: