BOARD AGENDA
May 11, 2020
4:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
  MAYOR          CHUCK ESPY
  COMMISSIONERS:  BO PLUNK
                  KEN MURPHEY
                  WILLIE TURNER, JR.
                  EDWARD SEALS

DEPARTMENT HEADS AND LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT:
  CITY CLERK CATHY CLARK
  POLICE CHIEF SANDRA WILLIAMS
  FIRE CHIEF ROCKY NABORS
  PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TODD JONES
  CITY ATTORNEY MELVIN MILLER

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR ESPY.
  Meeting was called to order by the Mayor from the Council Chambers at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL
  City Clerk made the roll call: Mayor present in the Council Chamber and
  Commissioners were present via telephone conference along with the department
  heads

Mayor recessed the board meeting and the location was changed to the Gazebo located at
the City Auditorium, 506 East Second Street;

Mayor re-convened the board meeting at the new location (506 East Second - Gazebo) at
4:10 p.m.

STAND FOR PRAYER AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Mayor Espy

HAVING PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED A COPY OF THE MINUTES FOR THE BOARD
MEETING DATED APRIL 27, 2020, MAY 5, 2020 AND MAY 7, 2020, THE BOARD
HEREBY WAIVES THE READING AND ADOPTS THE MINUTES OF APRIL 27, 2020,
MAY 5, 2020, AND MAY 7, 2020 IN ITS PRESENT FORM;
  Motion was made by Commissioner Plunk, seconded by Commissioner Murphey to
  approve the above minutes

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS:
Department Head Comments:
  (2 minute time limit)

City Clerk - Supplying mask to the citizens of Clarksdale; FEMA - Easter Storm Damage
Police -
Commissioner’s Comments:
(5 minute time limit)

Ward 1 -
Ward 2 -
Ward 3 -
Ward 4 -

Mayor’s Comments: -

COMMUNITY COMMENTS
(Must have request to be on the agenda)
5 minute time limit

GENERAL SESSION

NEW BUSINESS:

OLD BUSINESS:

C - O Bids - Professional Services - CDBG
Motion made by Commissioner Murphey, seconded by Commissioner Turner to approve the bid of Neel-Schaffer for the engineering services on the CDBG application that would create new drainage ditches for the Ritchie Street, Bloom Street and Sasse Street

CITY CLERK CATHY CLARK:

Acknowledge Governors Executive Order 1480
Extends Safer at Home until Monday, May 25, 2020
Amends to allow salons, barber shops and other personal care to open contingent upon following the Governors guidelines
Amends to allow fitness and exercise gyms to open contingent upon following the Governors guidelines

Motion made by Commissioner Turner, seconded by Commissioner Seals, to acknowledge the Governors Executive Order 1480

Permission to pay Incidental Expense Account in the amount of $1,746.40 reimbursement for the month of April, 2020

Motion made by Commissioner Seals, seconded by Commissioner Plunk, to authorize the City Clerk to reimburse Incidental Expense Account for the month of April

Permission to pay April, 2020 Accounts Payable in the amount of $ 275,579.47 in which $ 164,650.70 is General Fund

Motion made by Commissioner Plunk, seconded by Commissioner Murphey, to authorize the City Clerk to pay the April Accounts Payable invoices

Permission to pay Park Commission Miscellaneous Claims in the amount of $ 187.50

Motion made by Commissioner Murphey, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to authorize the City Clerk to pay Park Commission $187.50 for their miscellaneous claim

Permission to pay Miscellaneous Claims

  Millicent Dixon $ 2,250.00
  Chuck Espy    $  253.00

Motion made by Commissioner Turner, seconded by Commissioner Seals, to authorize the City Clerk to pay the above City miscellaneous claims

Discussion of when to open City Auditorium

  Auditorium is currently not available and the Board will evaluate every two weeks

No motion required, just noted

Discussion of Sky Cop Cameras

  Motion made by Commissioner Seals, seconded by Commissioner Plunk to re-advertise for 25 sky cop cameras for the City and financing

Discussion of Walnut Street Walkway

  No motion required

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

PUBLIC WORKS:

PERSONNEL:
GRANT WRITER:

CITY ATTORNEY MELVIN MILLER
Order extending the emergency declaration for the COVID-19 virus until May 26, 2020
Motion made by Commissioner Plunk, seconded by Commissioner Murphey, to extend the emergency declaration in the City of Clarksdale until May 26, 2020

Authorize the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance that would list a secondary location to meet in case of an emergency
Motion made by Commissioner Murphey, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to authorize the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance that would list a secondary location to meet in case of an emergency

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Go into Closed Session for discussion to determine whether to go into Executive Session
Motion made by Commissioner Turner, seconded by Commissioner Seals

Return to open meeting to make the declaration of going into Executive Session
Motion made by Commissioner Seals, seconded by Commissioner Plunk

Go into Executive Session
Motion made by Commissioner Plunk, seconded by Commissioner Murphey

Personnel - Litigation

Motion made by Commissioner Plunk, seconded by Commissioner Murphey, to hire DeMarco Bailey as Corporal 1st Class in the Police Department

Motion made by Commissioner Murphey, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to hire Melton Black as Corporal 2nd Class in the Police Department, contingent upon the Personnel Directors approval

Motion made by Commissioner Turner, seconded by Commissioner Seals, to offer employment to Tasha Tucker as Records Clerk in the Police Department

Motion made by Commissioner Seals, seconded by Commissioner Plunk, to approve disciplinary action to a probationary officer in the Police Department

Motion made by Commissioner Turner, seconded by Commissioner Seals, authorize the City Attorney to notify the insurance company of a law suit

Motion made by Commissioner Turner, seconded by Commissioner Seals, to come out of executive session
Motion made by Commissioner Murphey, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to recess this meeting until Thursday, May 21, 2020 at Noon
Recess to May 21, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.
Recessed at 5:05 p.m.

[ ] THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS NEW OR OLD TO COME BEFORE
THE BOARD THIS MEETING IS RECESSED.