BOARD AGENDA
September 28, 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.

ROLL CALL

STAND FOR PRAYER AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Commissioner Seals

PRESENT FORM;
Motion by Commissioner Plunk seconded by Commissioner Murphey to waiving the reading and adopt the minutes of September 14, 2020 and September 24, 2020 in its Present Form

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

City Clerk -

Police -

Fire -

Public Works -

Personnel -

Grant Writer -

City Attorney -
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

Milton Gardner -
Work done on 6th Street off of Mississippi Ave to the Alley, Work done behind the gazebo on Sunflower, and requesting light poles to be put in Alley off of Delta and 3rd Street.
Deek Harp -  
Deek Harmonica Block Party (Need Road Barricades at the end of 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sunflower and the end of Delta and 3<sup>rd</sup>, (2) Porta Potties and would like to use 50 chairs on October 3, 2020.  

**Motion by Commissioner Murphey seconded by Commissioner Turner to allow Deek Harp to have Deek Harmonica Block Party and use Road Barricades to block off 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sunflower and the end of Delta and 3<sup>rd</sup>, and allow the use of 2 Porta Potties and 50 Chairs**

Regina Hackett - 502 Pine Street  
Tree needs cutting down that is blocking light pole and light that needs replacing with brighter light and would like another light pole put up on the street due to her house keeps getting broken into.  
Would also like to express her concern involving Store and More hours.

Lara Brooks - 509 Paul Edwards  
On Demolition list but is requesting permission to get permits to rehabilitate property.  

**Motion by Commissioner Turner seconded by Commissioner Seals to allow property owner to get permits to rehabilitate property.**
Delores Curtis - 904 Sunflower
Complaint about demolition to her home after she had rehabilitated the property.
Motion by Commissioner Seals seconded by Commissioner Plunk to carryover matter until October 12, 2020

Johnny Clark - 507 Grant
Update on progress
Motion by Commissioner Murphey seconded by Commissioner Turner to carryover matter until October 12, 2020 for Mr. Clark to show significant improvements

GENERAL SESSION

NEW BUSINESS:

OLD BUSINESS:
C/O

517 Ritchie - Samuel Kemp EST
(Martha Griffin came to hearing and spoke on behalf of this property and it was voted on to be demolished)
Motion by Commissioner Plunk seconded by Commissioner Murphey to suspend Demolition and allow 1 week for Mr. Griffin to pull permit, 3 months to show significant improvements and 6 months to complete.

461 Prince - Carrie Stokes
Has to have a plan and time line
Motion by Commissioner Turner seconded by Commissioner Seals for Carrie Stokes to pull permit within 1 week, 3 months to show significant improvements and 6 months to complete project.

812 Grant Place rear - Debra Jones
Has to have plan and time line
Motion by Commissioner Murphey seconded by Commissioner Seals to Demolish Property

1132 Barnes - Lennell Starks
David to check with Norman Starks concerning property
Motion by Commissioner Plunk seconded by Commissioner Murphey to declare property a menace for purpose of grass

CITY CLERK CATHY CLARK:
Permission to make line item budget changes
Motion by Commissioner Murphey seconded by Commissioner Turner to allow City Clerk to make Line Item Budget Changes

Acknowledge Across the Board Salary Increases for fiscal year 2020-2021

Permission to pay Park Commission Miscellaneous Claims in the amount of $4,485.60
Motion by Commissioner Turner seconded by Commissioner Seals to authorize City of Clarksdale Park Commission Miscellaneous Claims

Permission to pay Miscellaneous Claims

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Motion by Commissioner Seals seconded by Commissioner Plunk to authorize City of Clarksdale Miscellaneous Claims
Permission for John Cummings to make monthly installments on cleanup for 128 Adams in the amount of $449.37. (Total amount owed is $1,797.49)

Motion by Commissioner Plunk seconded by Commissioner Murphey to authorize Mr. John Cummings to make monthly installments on Cleanup for 128 Adams

Board Appointments

Park Commission
Melide Gaddy At Large Expires September 8, 2020

Motion by Commissioner Murphey seconded by Commissioner Turner to Carryover Board Appointment for Park Commission

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

FIRE DEPARTMENT:
Accept lowest quote from Municipal Emergency Services for Fire Department Turnout gear and authorize the Fire Chief to purchase gear.

Motion by Commissioner Murphey seconded by Commissioner Turner to accept lowest quote and authorize the Fire Chief to purchase gear.
**PUBLIC WORKS:**
Authorization to receive quotes for repairing and installing storm lines
Motion by Commissioner Turner seconded by Commissioner Seals to authorize Public Works Director to receive quotes for repairing and installing Storm Lines

**PERSONNEL:**

**GRANT WRITER:**
Authorization to apply for Transportation Alternatives Program Grant from MDOT and issue an order of legal compliance.
Motion by Commissioner Seals seconded by Commissioner Plunk to authorize Grant Writer to apply for Transportation Alternatives Program Grant from MDOT and issue and order of legal compliance.

**CITY ATTORNEY MELVIN MILLER**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**
Go into Closed Session for discussion to determine whether to go into Executive Session
Motion by Commissioner Plunk seconded by Commissioner Murphey
Return to open meeting to make the declaration of going into Executive Session
Motion by Commissioner Murphey seconded by Commissioner Turner

Go into Executive Session
Motion by Commissioner Turner seconded by Commissioner Seals

Personnel

Legal Issues Motion by Commissioner Seals seconded by Commissioner Plunk

Police Department - Resignations Motion by Commissioner Murphey seconded by Commissioner Turner

Police Department - Withdraw Offer of Employment Motion by Commissioner Turner seconded by Commissioner Seals
Police Department - Longevity Increase Motion by Commissioner Plunk seconded by Commissioner Murphey

Dispatch - Offer Employment Motion by Commissioner Turner seconded by Commissioner Seals

City Clerk's Office - Retirement Motion by Commissioner Plunk seconded by Commissioner Murphey

Change Entity - Motion by Commissioner Murphey seconded by Commissioner Turner

FYI
Community Forum October 12, 2020 at 5:30 at Civic Auditorium
Motion by Commissioner Turner seconded by Commissioner Seals to come out of executive session

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

Motion by Commissioner Plunk seconded by Commissioner Murphey to recess until Thursday, October 8, 2020 at 12:00 P.M.