

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF JANUARY 2, 2008
OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
OF THE CITY OF SOUTHAVEN, MISSISSIPPI**

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Southaven, Mississippi met in Regular Session on the 2nd day of January, 2008, at six o'clock (6:00) p.m. at City Hall.

Present were:

Charles G. Davis	Mayor
Greg Guy	Alderman, at Large
Lorine Cady	Alderman, Ward 1
James Stark	Alderman, Ward 2
James Loftis	Alderman, Ward 3
Paul Ollar	Alderman, Ward 4
Ricky Jobes	Alderman, Ward 5

Absent was Alderman Randall Huling. Also present were Chris Wilson, City Administrator, Mark Sorrell, City Attorney, Glenda Smallwood, City Clerk, Whitney Choat, City Planner, and Bradley Wallace, Director of Operations. Approximately fifteen (15) other people were present.

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order. Alderman Jim Loftis opened the meeting with prayer. Following the Pledge of Allegiance led by Alderman Ollar, a motion was made by Alderman Cady to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 18, 2007 with any corrections, deletions, or additions necessary. Motion seconded by Alderman Stark. Motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

Mayor Davis reported we have been paying the Tax Collector and Tax Assessor directly to act as the Southaven Collector and Assessor. We now have an inter-local agreement whereby the payment goes to the County and they in turn pay the Collector and Assessor through payroll.

A motion was made by Alderman Guy to adopt RESOLUTION GRANTING MAYOR CHARLES G. DAVIS AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE INTERLOCAL GOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN DESOTO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, THE TAX ASSESSOR OF DESOTO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AND THE CITY OF SOUTHAVEN PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSING OF THE CITY PROPERTY BY DESOTO COUNTY. Motion seconded by Alderman Cady. Motion was put to a roll call vote and passed unanimously with Alderman Huling being absent.

Roll call was as follows:

Alderman Guy	Yea
Alderman Cady	Yea
Alderman Stark	Yea
Alderman Loftis	Yea
Alderman Ollar	Yea
Alderman Jobs	Yea
Alderman Huling	Absent

A copy of aforesaid Resolution is hereby attached to and made a part of these minutes.

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Roll call was as follows:

Alderman Guy	Yea
Alderman Cady	Yea
Alderman Stark	Yea
Alderman Loftis	Yea
Alderman Ollar	Yea
Alderman Jobs	Yea
Alderman Huling	Absent

A copy of aforesaid Resolution is hereby attached to and made a part of these minutes.

PLANNING

The Planning Agenda was presented to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen by Whitney Choat, City Planner.

Item #1 Application by Chambliss Builders for a revision to the Justice Subdivision on the south side of Rasco Road, between Greenbrook Pkwy. and Swinnea Road. A motion was made by Alderman Guy to approve item #1 as presented and recommended by the Planning Commission. Motion seconded by Alderman Stark. Motion passed unanimously with Alderman Huling being absent.

Item #2 Application by WHR Investments, LLC for subdivision approval of Marathon Commercial Subdivision on the north side of Marathon Way, west of Elmore Road. A motion was made by Alderman Ollar to approve item #2 as presented and recommended by the Planning Commission. Motion seconded by Alderman Stark. Motion passed unanimously with Alderman Huling being absent.

MAYOR'S REPORT

1. Mayor Davis reported we received our bridge inspection from the State of Mississippi and all of the bridges within the city limits of Southaven passed inspection.
2. Mayor Davis reported we had a relatively quiet holiday season and a successful holiday retail season and are awaiting the sales tax check.
3. Mayor Davis reported he will make a formal announcement Monday at City Hall at 10:00 a.m. to run for the 1st Congressional Seat.
4. Mayor Davis reported Southern Lights was a success this year and the money will be distributed to all of the charitable groups.
5. Mayor Davis reported the next scheduled meeting of January 15, 2008 falls on the Inauguration of the Governor. He reported that he will attend the Inauguration as well as Mayor Pro-Tempore Guy. He reported Alderman Cady will be the Chair. A motion was made by Alderman Loftis to move the next board meeting to January 17th . Motion seconded by Alderman Cady. Motion was put to a roll call vote and passed unanimously with Alderman Huling being absent.

END OF MAYOR'S REPORT

CITY ATTORNEY'S LEGAL UPDATE

Mark Sorrell, City Attorney had no new update.

CLAIMS DOCKET

A motion was made by Alderman Stark to approve the Claim Docket on this date, January 2, 2008 including demand checks and payroll excluding voucher # 93604, 93513, 93624, 93640 through 93666, 93668, 93684, 93685, 93687 through 93700, 93704 through 90779, 93781 through 93926, 93929 through 93933, 93954, 93958 through 93982, 93984 through 94006, 94008, 94012, 94020, and 94021. Motion seconded by Alderman Loftis. Motion was put to a roll call vote and passed unanimously.

Roll call was as follows:

Alderman Guy	Yea
Alderman Cady	Yea
Alderman Stark	Yea
Alderman Loftis	Yea
Alderman Ollar	Yea
Alderman Jobs	Yea
Alderman Huling	Absent

Alderman Guy moved for a closed determination on the issue of whether or not to go into executive session. Hearing no objections a motion was made by Alderman Guy to go into Executive Session for the

purpose of discussing personnel in the Mayor's Office and Park's Department. Motion seconded by Alderman Ollar. Motion passed unanimously with Alderman Huling being absent.

Next, Mayor Davis reported the Board of Aldermen have been very gracious with the anticipated announcement to work with his office. He reported he wants the tax payers to be assured that no tax dollar will be used by the Mayor's Office for this run for Congress. He reported to that extent after Monday when he becomes an official candidate for Congress, he will no longer use the Mayor's vehicle. There are no phones being used in this campaign that are paid for by the City. Websites, computer usage, telephones will all be handled from the campaign office.

A motion was made by Alderman Loftis to allow Tim Grommersch to take an unspecified leave of absence to work with Mayor Davis during his campaign cycle. Motion seconded by Alderman Cady. Motion passed unanimously with Alderman Huling being absent.

Mayor Davis expressed his appreciation to the Board of Aldermen and assured them that no city employee will be asked to do anything with city equipment, time, or personnel after Monday. He reported if they are contributing to his campaign it will be on a volunteer basis outside their realm and pay hours that the tax payer of Southaven are paying for.

Next, there being no more business to come before the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, a motion was made by Alderman Guy to adjourn. Motion seconded by Alderman Cady. Motion passed unanimously. Time 6:45 on January 2, 2008.

Charles G. Davis, Mayor

Glenda Smallwood, City Clerk