

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF JULY 1, 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 1st day of July, 2008, at six o'clock (6:00) p.m. at City Hall.

**Present were:**

<b>Charles G. Davis</b>	<b>Mayor</b>
<b>Greg Guy</b>	<b>Alderman, at Large</b>
<b>Lorine Cady</b>	<b>Alderman, Ward 1</b>
<b>James Stark</b>	<b>Alderman, Ward 2</b>
<b>James Loftis</b>	<b>Alderman, Ward 3</b>
<b>Paul Ollar</b>	<b>Alderman, Ward 4</b>
<b>Ricky Jobes</b>	<b>Alderman, Ward 5</b>
<b>Randall Huling</b>	<b>Alderman, Ward 6</b>

**Being all of the officials of the City of Southaven. Alderman Greg Guy was present by telecommunications. Chris Wilson, City Administrator was absent. Also present were Mark Sorrell, City Attorney, Glenda Smallwood, City Clerk, 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 Jobes, a motion was made by Alderman Stark to approve the minutes of the meeting of June 17, 2008 with any corrections, deletions, or additions necessary. Motion seconded by Alderman Loftis. Motion passed unanimously.**

**\$4,000,000 G.O.B. RESOLUTIONS**

**Mayor Davis reported that the City received a public finance rating from Standard & Poor's. He reported that for years the City has been at an At but now has been upgraded to AA-. He reported that some of the highlights are: Good wealth and income levels, historically very strong financial position, moderate debt levels. Mayor Davis told the Board that this is a rating to be proud of and we are in the top ten rated cities in the State.**

**Demery Grubbs reported that bids were opened today at 4:00 for the financing of the \$4,000,000 Bonds. First Tennessee Financial Capital Markets were the low interest bidders at 3.954004. His reported that it is his recommendation along with Troy Johnson from Larry Harris's**

**Office to accept this interest rate. A motion was made by Alderman Huling to adopt RESOLUTION TO DIRECT THE SALE AND AWARD OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2008 OF THE CITY OF SOUTHAVEN MISSISSIPPI, IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF FOUR MILLION DOLLARS (\$4,000,000) FOR THE CITY, TO BE DATED JULY 2, 2008. Motion seconded by Alderman Stark. Motion was put to a roll call vote and passed unanimously.**

**Roll call was as follows:**

<b>Alderman Guy</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Alderman Cady</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Alderman Stark</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Alderman Loftis</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Alderman Ollar</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Alderman Jobses</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Alderman Huling</b>	<b>Yea</b>

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

**A motion was made by Alderman Guy to adopt RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ISSUANC OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2008 OF THE CITY OF SOUTHAVEN, MISSISSIPPI, IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF FOUR MILLION DOLLARS (\$4,000,000) TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE PURPOSE OF (1) PURCHASING LAND FOR PARKS AND PUBLIC PLAYGROUNDS, AND OTHER RECREATIONAL FACILITIES, AND IMPROVING, EQUIPPING AND ADORNING SAME; (11) PURCHASING FIRE-FIGHTING EQUIPMENT AND APPARATUS, AND PROVIDING HOUSING FOR SAME, AND PURCHASING LAND THEREFOR; AND OTHER RELATED IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE CITY. Motion seconded by Alderman Loftis. Motion was put to a roll call vote and passed unanimously.**

**Roll call was as follows:**

<b>Alderman Guy</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Alderman Cady</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Alderman Stark</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Alderman Loftis</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Alderman Ollar</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Alderman Jobses</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Alderman Huling</b>	<b>Yea</b>

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

### **GTS**

Mayor Davis reported that the City went out for bids for a wire mesh service. The RFPs came back with Tropos winning the bid. He reported this has been installed in approximately 10 square miles of the City. They have agreed to come in lower than the bid to replace our existing internet service. He reported that this letter states that GTS is the sole provider of the Tropos equipment. A motion was made by Alderman Cady to accept this letter as the sole provider from Tropos and enter the letter into these minutes. Motion seconded by Alderman Huling. Motion was put to a vote and passed unanimously. The aforesaid is hereby attached to and made a part of these minutes.

### **RESOLUTION TO CLEAN PROPERTY**

A motion was made by Alderman Huling to adopt RESOLUTION TO CLEAN PRIVATE PROPERTY. Property is 1643 Brookhaven, 8417 Chesterfield, 8157 Yarmouth Cv., 1581 Custer, 8535 Millbranch, 8282 Fayette Cv., 5787 Alexandria Ln., 4977. 4955, 4913, 4871, 4851, 4767, and 4745 Briarton, 3282 Rosewood, 4693, 4726, 4746, 4808, 4912, 4934, 4978, Briarton, 6019, 6037, 6051, 6054, and 6042 Caroline Cv. 1352, 1426, 1440, 1454, 1464, 1467, 1465 and 1449 Shetland Cv., 5800, 5792, 5789, 5791, and 5803 Tayside Cv., 5825 Badgett Dr., 1405, 1349, 1333, 1317, 1303, and 1291 Shetland, 5748 Aviemore Way, Lot 5 Section G Worthington Estates (common area), Lot 6 Section G Worthington Estates (common area). Motion seconded by Alderman Cady. 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 Jobes	Yea
Alderman Huling	Yea

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

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

1. Mayor Davis reported that Allen & Hoshall submitted a state wide survey of water & sewer. They reported that the City of Southaven is one of the lowest in the State on water & sewer rates. He reported the average for DeSoto County is \$24.12 and the City of Southaven is \$19.12.
2. Mayor Davis congratulated Chief Brackin for his appointment to the MS Fire Personnel Minimum Standard and Certification Board.
3. Mayor Davis read a request from Mr. Laney on Hickory Drive. He is the father of one of the 14 year old All-stars. They will be

participating in the World Games being held at Snowden Grove. He is asking for a donation to the team to defray the cost of supplies to be used for those games. Mayor Davis reported that the Board can give up to \$250.00, but there will be many teams to request donations. No action was taken. Alderman Cady reported that she will give a \$50 personal donation and Mayor Davis report that if any other Alderman wants to give a donation they may do so.

4. Mayor Davis reported that we recently cleaned up the streets and vacant lots in Shadow Point. It is the subdivision bordered by Starlanding on the South and Swinnea on the east. They are now requesting that we finish the asphalt overlay. He reported there is a section that is not finished. The developer was not required to put the final lift of asphalt on. He reported that we are having that problem in some of the areas where the housing market has slowed down. He reported that the City's policy does not allow for us to mandate a developer to do that until it is about 50 to 80% completed out. He reported that if we asphalt this subdivision, other subdivisions will request the same. Alderman Jobes asked that Ray Tarrance, City Public Works Director look at these streets. Alderman Cady reported that we should keep the streets safe. No action was taken on the request to finish the asphalt project in Shadow Point.
5. Mayor Davis reported that Ray Tarrance, Public Works Director has presented a list of street for asphalt. The cost for this project will be 1.2 Million. Mayor Davis reported we have about half of that to spend. He requested the Aldermen review this list and make a decision on which streets to asphalt. Alderman Ollar asked if there are any streets proposed for the DeSoto Woods Subdivision. He asked about the Park in Desoto Woods and Mayor Davis advised that Mike Mullins, Park Director will have that scheduled.
6. Mayor Davis reported that the City is looking at a four day work week for employees in clerical hourly positions. These employees would work 10 hours, four days per week. Every office in City Hall would be open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m until 6:00 p.m. He reported our employees will get an extra day off and our residents get to have a City Hall which is open after work hours. He reported if we move forward with this schedule, it will start October 1<sup>st</sup> of the new budget year.

At this time Alderman Guy left the meeting by telecommunications.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Alderman Stark reported on information he obtained at the MML Conference regarding abandoned houses within the corporate limit of a municipality.

## **CITY ATTORNEY'S LEGAL UPDATE**

Mark Sorrell, City Attorney reported on a Resolution for the Board to consider approving. He reported that the Mississippi Legislature in its regular session amended the MS Public Records Act of 1983. He reported that in 1984 the Board of Aldermen at that time approved a Resolution. He reported he is of the opinion that we need to amend that Resolution in keeping with the amendments made by the Legislature this past session. Basically the amendments made by the Legislature this year deals with incident and investigation reports and deals, primarily with the Police Department. We need to amend the Resolution so that the Police Department will have the authority to redact; to take out the information that is privileged and charge anyone for this activity. He reported paragraphs 3, 5, and 6 on the Resolution are the meat of the changes. Mayor Davis reported this just adds the incidents reports and the police records to our Public Open Record Request Policy. A motion was made by Alderman Loftis to amend the Resolution and adopting the MS Public Records Act of 1983. Motion seconded by Alderman Huling. Motion was put to a roll call vote and passed unanimously.

Roll call was as follows:

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

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

## **CLAIMS DOCKET**

A motion was made by Alderman Stark to approve the docket of claims for June 17, 2008 including demand checks and payroll and excluding voucher #102260-102269, 102284-102293, 102310-102324, 102327, 102364, 102365, 102615, 102622, 102623, 102627, 102644, 102646, 102682, 102917, 102926-102932, 102934, 102948, 102973, 103037, 103051-103056, 103068, 103098, 103178.

Roll call was as follows:

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

**Next, there being no more business to come before the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, a motion was made by Alderman to adjourn. Motion seconded by Alderman Ollar. Motion passed unanimously. Time 6:30 p. m. on June 17, 2008.**

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**Charles G. Davis, Mayor**

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**Glenda Smallwood, City Clerk**