

**PARK COMMISSION
CITY OF STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI
MEETING OF March 3, 2011**

Be it remembered that the Park Commission of the City of Starkville, Mississippi, met at noon at Starkville Sportsplex. There being present Commissioners, Dan Moreland, Pete Melby, Chris Taylor, Dorothy Isaac, Wendell Gibson, and Scott Maynard. Also attending the meeting was Director Matthew Rye. Note: Commissioner Ray Berryhill could not attend because he had to take his wife to the hospital in Jackson, MS.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF February 3, 2011

There came for consideration the matter of the approval of the motion to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2011 Park Commission meeting. After Discussion and upon the motion of Dorothy Isaac duly seconded by Wendell Gibson

The motion to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2011 park commission meeting was put to a vote with the results as follows:

Commissioner Dan Moreland	voted: YEA
Commissioner Wendell Gibson	voted: YEA
Commissioner Chris Taylor	voted: YEA
Commissioner Pete Melby	voted: YEA
Commissioner Scott Maynard	voted: YEA
Commissioner Dorothy Isaac	voted: YEA

After receiving a majority of the affirmative vote, the chairman declared the motion passed, approved and adopted.

II. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

Randy Scrivener with Watkins, Ward & Stafford made a presentation on the findings of the yearly audit. There were no conditions found in the audit.

Kevin Stafford asked for a letter of support for the Lynn Lane bike path so the city can move forward on getting environmental services completed for the project.

A MOTION TO ENTER INTO A CLOSED SESSION TO DETERMINE THE NEED OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

There came for consideration the matter of a Closed Session for the preliminary determination of the necessity of an Executive Session. After discussion, and upon the motion of Commissioner Wendell Gibson, duly seconded by Commissioner Scott Maynard, to enter into Closed Session to determine if items to be discussed are proper cause for Executive Session, the Commission unanimously voted in favor of the motion.

A MOTION DECLARING THE PERSONNEL MATTERS REGARDING A RECOMMENDATION OF TERMINATION AS PROPER CAUSE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon the motion of Commissioner Wendell Gibson, duly seconded by Commissioner Scott Maynard, the Commission unanimously voted that discussion regarding Personnel related to a recommendation for employee termination as proper cause for Executive Session.

A MOTION TO EXIT CLOSED SESSION AND RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Upon the motion of Commissioner Wendell Gibson, duly seconded by Commissioner Scott Maynard to exit closed session and return to open session, the Commission unanimously voted in favor of the motion.

A MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS RELATED TO RECOMMENDATION OF EMPLOYEE TERMINATION

Upon the motion of Commissioner Wendell Gibson, duly seconded by Commissioner Scott Maynard, the Commission unanimously approved the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel matter related to a recommendation of employee termination.

There came for consideration the matter of the approval of the motion to uphold the recommendation to terminate employee Rondell Blair. After Discussion and upon the motion of Wendell Gibson duly seconded by Pete Melby

The motion to uphold the recommendation to terminate employee Rondell Blair was put to a vote with the results as follows:

Commissioner Dan Moreland	voted: YEA
Commissioner Wendell Gibson	voted: YEA
Commissioner Chris Taylor	voted: YEA
Commissioner Pete Melby	voted: YEA
Commissioner Scott Maynard	voted: YEA
Commissioner Dorothy Isaac	voted: YEA

After receiving a majority of the affirmative vote, the chairman declared the motion passed, approved and adopted.

A MOTION TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Upon the motion of Commissioner Scott Maynard duly seconded by Commissioner Wendell Gibson the Commission unanimously approved the motion to exit Executive Session and return to Open Session.

III. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Chris Taylor asked if the bleachers at the football field at Westside could be moved back to the baseball field.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

There came for consideration the matter of the approval of the motion to approve the monthly claims docket and financial statements. After discussion and upon the motion of Commissioner Chris Taylor, duly seconded by Commissioner Wendell Gibson

The motion to approve the March claims docket and financial statements was put to a vote with the results as follows:

Commissioner Dan Moreland	voted: YEA
Commissioner Dorothy Isaac	voted: YEA
Commissioner Chris Taylor	voted: YEA
Commissioner Pete Melby	voted: YEA
Commissioner Scott Maynard	voted: YEA
Commissioner Wendell Gibson	voted: YEA

After receiving a majority of the affirmative vote, the chairman declared the motion passed, approved and adopted.

There came for consideration the matter of the approval to grant Stafford engineering a letter of support for the Lynn Lane Bike Path so the city can move forward on receiving environmental services for the project. After discussion and upon the motion of Commissioner Dorothy Isaac, duly seconded by Commissioner Pete Melby

The motion to approve Stafford engineering a letter of support for the Lynn Lane Bike Path so the city can move forward on receiving environmental services for the project with the results as follows:

Commissioner Dan Moreland	voted: YEA
Commissioner Dorothy Isaac	voted: YEA
Commissioner Chris Taylor	voted: YEA
Commissioner Pete Melby	voted: YEA
Commissioner Scott Maynard	voted: YEA
Commissioner Wendell Gibson	voted: YEA

After receiving a majority of the affirmative vote, the chairman declared the motion passed, approved and adopted.

There came for consideration the matter of the approval to promote and re-classify Don Robinson and Joseph Williams to Maintenance and Inventory Control Coordinator with a 10% pay increase. After discussion and upon the motion of Commissioner Chris Taylor, duly seconded by Commissioner Pete Melby

The motion to approve to promote and re-classify Don Robinson and Joseph Williams to Maintenance and Inventory Control Coordinator with a 10% pay increase with the results as follows:

Commissioner Dan Moreland	voted: YEA
Commissioner Dorothy Isaac	voted: YEA
Commissioner Chris Taylor	voted: YEA
Commissioner Pete Melby	voted: YEA
Commissioner Scott Maynard	voted: YEA
Commissioner Wendell Gibson	voted: YEA

After receiving a majority of the affirmative vote, the chairman declared the motion passed, approved and adopted.

There came for consideration the matter of the approval to move the park commission meeting from the 2nd Wednesday of each month to the 2nd Thursday of each month. After discussion and upon the motion of Commissioner Wendell Gibson, duly seconded by Commissioner Pete Melby

The motion to approve moving the park commission meeting from the 2nd Wednesday of each month to the 2nd Thursday of each month with the results as follows:

Commissioner Dan Moreland	voted: YEA
Commissioner Dorothy Isaac	voted: YEA
Commissioner Chris Taylor	voted: YEA
Commissioner Pete Melby	voted: YEA
Commissioner Scott Maynard	voted: YEA
Commissioner Wendell Gibson	voted: YEA

After receiving a majority of the affirmative vote, the chairman declared the motion passed, approved and adopted.

There came for consideration the matter of the approval to accept the audit as presented by Randy Scrivener from Ward, Watkins, and Stafford. After discussion and upon the motion of Commissioner Dorothy Isaac, duly seconded by Commissioner Scott Maynard

The motion to approve to accept the audit as presented by Randy Scrivener from Ward, Watkins, and Stafford with the results as follows:

Commissioner Dan Moreland	voted: YEA
Commissioner Dorothy Isaac	voted: YEA
Commissioner Chris Taylor	voted: YEA
Commissioner Pete Melby	voted: YEA
Commissioner Scott Maynard	voted: YEA
Commissioner Wendell Gibson	voted: YEA

After receiving a majority of the affirmative vote, the chairman declared the motion passed, approved and adopted.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Dan Moreland updated the commission about the county putting a bridge on Spruill Lane. After careful consideration all parties agreed that a road place above the adult softball fields would be more cost effective and utilized more than the bridge on Spruill Lane. Clyde Prichard is surveying the land to see how the best way to put the road in.

VI. STAFF REPORT

Director Matthew Rye updated the commission on the following items:

1. Youth Girls Softball Registration, Adult Basketball, and Youth Baseball has begun. Athletic Director Sammy Willcutt stated that they have sent out letters to all area schools for the High School Softball League and High School Basketball League.
2. The new landscaping at the Sportsplex is completed.
3. The new safety fence topping is 80% completed.
4. Director Matthew Rye has met with a splash pad representative to get a quote for Moncrief Park. The quote should be available in middle of March.

VII. ADJOURN

Commissioner Scott Maynard made a motion to adjourn until noon Thursday, April 14, 2011 in the conference room at the multi-purpose building, and the motion was approved with five votes affirmative.

Dan Moreland, Chairman

Date