

CITY OF FLOWOOD
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY
OF FLOWOOD, RANKIN COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
Held December 2, 2024
6:30 P.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Flowood met at their regular meeting place on December 2, 2024, at 6:30 P.M.

The following members were present: Mayor Gary Rhoads, Alderman Deron Harmon, Alderman Kathy Smith, Alderman Seth Robbins, Alderman Kirk McDaniel, and City Clerk Josh Carlisle.

OTHERS PRESENT: Eric Zetterholm, Tamela Bowers, Jeffrey Welborn, Daniel Lang, Paul Forster, and Flowood Baptist Church Pastor Bobby McGuffie. Also, see the attached list.

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Rhoads.

The invocation was given by Pastor Bobby McGuffie.

Item # 1 – Public Hearing on an application filed by Amigos Mexican Restaurant Flowood located at 630 Grants Ferry Road, Unit 5293 to be designated as a Special Resort Status for the sale of alcoholic beverages

The required application and notices having been filed and given (copies attached), the Mayor opened the public hearing on the above matter and asked for those desiring to speak for or against the application to speak. Damian Roman was present stating that he read and understood the ordinance and spoke in favor of the application being granted. The Mayor closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Alderman Smith to approve the application filed by Amigos Mexican Restaurant Flowood located at 630 Grants Ferry Road, Unit 5239, granting a Special Use Permit allowing for the sale of alcoholic beverages under the City Qualified Resort Area Ordinance. This motion was seconded by Alderman Harmon and received unanimous approval from all Board Members present.

Item # 2 – Public Hearing on an ordinance establishing service fees related to City of Flowood owned cell towers

The required notice having been published; the Mayor opened the public hearing. Paul Forster presented the proposed ordinance (copy attached) and recommended approval. No one spoke against the proposed ordinance. The Mayor closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Alderman McDaniel to adopt the ordinance establishing service fees for City of Flowood owned cell towers. This motion was seconded by Alderman Harmon and received unanimous approval from all Board Members present.

Item # 3 – Public Hearing regarding the management of stormwater

The required notice having been published; the Mayor opened the public hearing. Paul Forster discussed the necessity for this public hearing as a requirement for the MS-4 permit from the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality. No one appeared or made public comments. The Mayor closed the public hearing. No action was taken.

Item # 4 – Approval of Consent Agenda Items

- A. Approval and/or Corrections of the minutes of the Board meeting for November 4, 2024.
- B. Approval of General Claims Dockets and Supplemental Claims Dockets and Paid Claims Docket.
- C. Approval of the Refuge Golf Course Claim Docket.
- D. Approval of the ARPA Storm Drainage Improvements Claims Docket.
- E. Approval of the Water Meter Changeout Claims Docket.

- F. Approval of the FY 2024 Road Projects Claims Docket.
- G. Approval of the LPA Multi-use Trail Projects Claims Docket.
- H. Approval of the Liberty Park Improvements Claims Docket.
- I. Approval of the Adams Street Park Improvements Claims Docket.
- J. Approval of the North Flowood Drive Improvements Claims Docket.
- K. Approval of the Water Well Improvements Claims Docket.
- L. Approval of the Castlewoods Water Tank Improvements Claims Docket.
- M. Approval of the Dexter Drive Cell Tower Claims Docket.
- N. Approval and authorization of the Mayor signing an offer form for the entertainment for Flowood Family Festival 2025 to be held May 10, 2025.
- O. Approval of the transfer of Jamie Burkett from Dispatcher Step 7 to Administrative Assistant Step 7 in the Police Department.
- P. Approval of Resolution of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Flowood, Mississippi requesting that Rankin County delay issuing a certificate of occupancy for buildings located outside the city municipal boundaries until the city inspects its utility locations.
- Q. Approval of lease agreement for the 202 River Pines Cove building between the City of Flowood and the International Futbol Club of Mississippi, LLC d/b/a Flowood Futsal & Functional Fitness Facility LLC.
- R. Approval of the First Amendment to the Tower Structure Lease Agreement for the Dexter Drive Cell Tower.
- S. Authorization for the Mayor to accept a deed of dedication for a permanent utility easement from United Gas Pipeline Company.
- T. Approval of Resolution authorizing investment of city funds.
- U. Approval of payment in the amount of \$20,000.00 to the Community Foundation for Mississippi for the promotion of the National Folk Foundation Festival to be held in Jackson, Mississippi.

A motion was made by Alderman Harmon to approve the above consent agenda items (copies attached). This motion was seconded by Alderman Smith and received unanimous approval from all Board members present.

Item # 5 – Eric Zetterholm – Police Chief

- A. Personnel Recommendation – Patrol Division, Step 6 (Austin B. Davis)

Chief Zetterholm recommended hiring Austin B. Davis in a Patrol Division, Step 6 position. A motion was made by Alderman Smith to hire Austin B. Davis in a Patrol Division, Step 6 position. This motion was seconded by Alderman Robbins and received unanimous approval from all Board Members present.

- B. Personnel Recommendation – Patrol Division, Step 7 (Troy D. Nix)

Chief Zetterholm recommended hiring Troy D. Nix in a Patrol Division, Step 7 position. A motion was made by Alderman Harmon to hire Troy D. Nix in a Patrol Division, Step 7 position. This motion was seconded by Alderman McDaniel and received unanimous approval from all Board Members present.

- C. Personnel Recommendation – Patrol Division, Step 12 (Tony J. Hemphill)

Chief Zetterholm recommended hiring Tony J. Hemphill in a Patrol Division, Step 12 position. A motion was made by Alderman Smith to hire Tony J. Hemphill in a Patrol Division, Step 12 position. This motion was seconded by Alderman Harmon and received unanimous approval from all Board Members present.

- D. Personnel Recommendation – Dispatcher, Step 6 (Enrique “Ricky” Huerta)

Chief Zetterholm recommended hiring Enrique “Ricky” Huerta in a Dispatcher, Step 6 position. A motion was made by Alderman McDaniel to hire Enrique “Ricky” Huerta in a Dispatcher, Step

6 position. This motion was seconded by Alderman Smith and received unanimous approval from all Board Members present.

Item # 6 - Other Business

A. Mayors Cup presentation of proceeds to the Fellowship of Christian Athletes

The Mayors Cup, a nonprofit organization, was recognized and presented the Fellowship of Christian Athletes a check in the amount of \$128,500.00 from the proceeds of the annual golf tournament. Pastor Bobby McGuffie, Oscar Miskelly and Kyle Higginbotham were present on behalf of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Item # 7 - Adjourn

Alderman Harmon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This motion was seconded by Alderman Smith whereupon the meeting was adjourned with the unanimous approval from all Board members present.



GARY RHOADS, MAYOR

ATTEST:



JOSH CARLISLE, CITY CLERK

