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Minutes Report

Wednesday, January 18, 2017

5:45 PM

Council Chambers

City Council

Hattiesburg City Council Rental Properties Committee Meeting

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Hattiesburg City Council Rental Properties Committee met at 5:45 p.m. Wednesday, January 18, 2017, in Council Chambers at City Hall.

Those present included City Council President Carter Carroll, Ward 1, and City Council Vice President Mary Dryden, Ward 4; committee members Andy Stetelman, Rebekah Ray, Dulana Reese and Jeff Keyseear; Attorney Jim Gladden; and Clerk of Council, Debbie Bernardo.

THE MEETING was called to order by Council President Carroll. He provided an update on the property at 509 South 28th Avenue and said that court has been rescheduled until February.

Discussion centered on the need for a rental ordinance and included specific examples; Mr. Gladden said he will need another two-three weeks to have a draft ordinance prepared. The definition of “family” in the proposed Land Development Code, in comparison to the definition used currently, also was discussed. Committee members discussed the need for registration of rental properties and agreed that it will aid in enforcement of a rental ordinance; they said homestead exemption may be used as a tool in assessment.

By unanimous consent, Council President Carroll declared the meeting closed at 6:32 p.m., this the 18th day of January, A.D. 2017.