

**REGULAR THIRD TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 2016
MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that Tuesday, September 20, 2016 being the third Tuesday of said month and the day fixed by Board order for holding the second monthly meeting, said meeting was held in the Boardroom in the Municipal Complex at 909 River Road in the Town of Tunica, Mississippi, beginning at 3:00 p.m. with the following present or absent as indicated below:

Mayor Charles M. Cariker	Present
Alderman John A. Graves Jr	Present
Alderman Brad Beach	Present
Alderwoman Eloise Carson	Present
Alderwoman Brooks Taylor	Present
Alderwoman Marie A. Nickson	Present
Town Clerk Celia J. Boren	Present
Deputy Clerk Kate Scott Pennock	Present
Chief of Police Richard Veazey	Present
Town Attorney Charles B. Graves Jr	Present
Town Chaplain Danny Smith	Present

Others present are listed on the attendance sheet kept by Chief Veazey.

APPENDIX A – ATTENDANCE SHEET

Mayor Cariker called the meeting to order at 3:00 and led in the Pledge of Allegiance; Chaplain Smith led in prayer.

The Board reviewed the minutes from September 6 and the special meeting September 15, 2016. After reviewing the minutes, Alderman Graves made the motion to accept the minutes as written; Alderwoman Carson seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

REPORTS:

- Alderman Graves reported on the Planning Commission meeting Monday, September 19. They had a list of businesses that are out of compliance with various zoning ordinances. Bob Barber has sent letters to those businesses citing the ordinance involved and giving them a reasonable time in which to make changes to comply. There was discussion about the need for a part-time code enforcer, but no action was taken. Mayor Cariker asked the Board members to give him the names of people who might be suited and interested in this temporary position.
- Chief Veazey reported on police activity. Alderwoman Carson asked about the possibility of cutting down the trees in front of Tunica Pharmacy and Ryals Law offices due to the roosting birds and the detritus left behind. After discussion, Mayor Cariker said he would refer this to the tree committee.
- Kelvin Cooke reported for public works.

The Board revisited the proposed appointments for FY17. After discussion, Alderman Graves moved to approve the appointments as presented, Alderwoman Nickson seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

APPENDIX B – APPOINTMENTS FOR FY17

The ordinance to amend some zoning ordinances and definitions was read aloud by Mayor Cariker. This ordinance would more clearly define what a parking space is, redefine the word “family”, and amend the definition of “boarding house”, in addition to allowing parking in permitted spaces only and requiring a conditional use permit for home occupancy not meeting the definition of family. After discussion, there was no consensus on how to define a parking space so the matter will be addressed again at the next meeting.

Mayor Cariker asked for Board approval to offer flu shots for all employees this year. There will be no cost for the employees, with the exception of 1 or 2 new employees for whom the insurance is not yet in effect. Valerie Hartsfield, with Fred’s Pharmacy, will give the immunizations and will file all insurance for the Town. Alderman Beach made the motion to approve offering the flu shots at one central location and paying for those employees who do not yet have insurance, finding that this benefits the employees and is for the welfare of the Town. Alderwoman Taylor seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved.

There was one travel request from the Mayor for approval for any of the officials to attend the Small Town Conference in Natchez October 12-13. The Mayor, Clerk and Alderman Beach are currently interested in attending. Registration for the conference is \$85.00 each plus hotel, meals and mileage expense. After discussion, Alderwoman Nickson moved to approve the travel request, Alderwoman Carson seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved.

There was discussion about the on-going installation of meters, and the sizes of those meters. Vanguard has requested a change order be approved, but under advice of the engineer, Jeff Old, the Mayor recommended that this be addressed after all meters are installed. No action was taken on this.

Upon motion by Alderwoman Nickson and seconded by Alderman Graves, the meeting adjourned at 3:43 pm this 20th day of September 2016.

Charles M. Cariker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Celia J. Boren, Town Clerk

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