

**REGULAR THIRD TUESDAY DECEMBER
MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that Tuesday, December 20, 2016 being the first Tuesday of said month and the day fixed by Board order for holding the first 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	Absent
Town Clerk Celia J. Boren	Present
Deputy Clerk Charles N. Hailey	Present
Deputy Clerk Kate Scott Pennock	Absent
Chief of Police Richard Veazey	Present
Town Attorney Charles B. Graves Jr.	Present
Town Chaplain Danny Smith	Present

Others in attendance 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 Danny Smith led in prayer.

The Board considered the minutes from the meeting December 6, 2016. Alderman Beach moved to approve the minutes as written, Alderwoman Taylor seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

REPORTS:

- Alderman Graves reported on the commission's recent meeting.
- Chief Veazey reported on police activity, his final report.
- Kelvin Cooke updated the Board on public works activities.
- Charles Hailey brought a recommendation from the tree committee regarding the trees on the Main street side downtown. The committee recommended that those trees be taken down due to the roosting birds and the possible health hazards to the public. The committee will meet again later to discuss planting options.

Charles Hailey left the meeting at 3:18.

The Board considered water adjustment recommendations from Kate Scott Pennock totaling \$2,588.33, consisting of \$1,149.07 for leak repairs, \$1,043.84 for billing errors, and \$395.32 for meter installation errors. After discussion, Alderwoman Carson moved to approve the recommendations, Alderman Graves seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved.

APPENDIX B – WATER ADJUSTMENTS

Mayor Cariker reminded the Board that Chief Veazey's retirement date was coming up and, as has been the policy of the Town, they needed to take action on his service weapon, whereupon, Alderman Beach made the motion to declare the service weapon, serial # BER 257531, as surplus equipment. Alderman Graves seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

Next, upon motion made by Alderman Graves and seconded by Alderwoman Taylor, and unanimously adopted, the Board approved the sale of the surplus weapon to retiring Police Chief Richard Veazey for \$5.00.

Mayor Cariker asked for the Board to approve Assistant Chief Michael Nichols to take the police vehicle home with him, since he has moved into the Town's water district, in fact, within the city limits. After discussion, Alderman Graves made the motion to allow Assistant Chief Nichols to take his police vehicle home, Alderman Beach seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Cariker made the following announcements:

- The retirement party for Chief Veazey will be Thursday, December 29, from 3:00 until 5:00 in the Boardroom in Town Hall.
- The holiday schedule will be as follows:
Closed Friday, December 23
Closed Monday, December 26
Closed Monday, January 2

Mayor Cariker asked for a motion to enter executive session to discuss police and public works personnel and pending litigation. Alderwoman Carson made the motion to enter executive session, Alderman Beach seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

Upon a motion made by Alderman Graves and seconded by Alderman Beach, the Board left executive session and reentered open session.

There was no action taken during the closed session.

With no other business, Alderwoman Carson moved to adjourn, Alderman Graves seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m. this 20th day of December.

Charles M. Cariker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Celia J. Boren, Town Clerk

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