

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

BE IT REMEMBERED, that Tuesday, January 17, 2017 being the third 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	Absent
Alderman Brad Beach	Present
Aldерwoman Eloise Carson	Present
Aldерwoman Brooks Taylor	Present
Aldерwoman Marie A. Nickson	Present
Town Clerk Celia J. Boren	Present
Deputy Clerk Charles N. Hailey	Present
Town Attorney Charles B. Graves Jr.	Present
Town Chaplain Danny Smith	Present

Others in attendance are listed on the attendance sheet.

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 considered the minutes from the meeting January 3, 2017. Alderwoman Nickson moved to approve the minutes as written, Alderwoman Carson seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

REPORTS:

- **Asst. Chief Nichols reported for the police department.**
- **Kelvin Cooke reported for public works, reporting cracks on the newly paved River Rd along with bird complaints from residents.**
- **Lyn Arnold reported for the Chamber of Commerce with updates on Main Street activities, economic report, and Rivergate.**

The Board discussed placing an ad with the Delta Business Journal for February issue in which Tunica will be featured. A full page ad would cost \$795.00 and a ½ page priced at \$625.00. After discussing the benefit the Town could receive, Alderman Beach made the motion to approve the full page ad with DBJ, Alderwoman Carson seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Cariker gave brief report on several bills that will be discussed in the state legislature during this session.

Mayor Cariker asked for a motion to enter executive session to discuss police and public works personnel and pending litigation. Alderwoman Beach made the

motion to enter executive session, Alderwoman Nickson seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

Upon a motion made by Alderwoman Taylor and seconded by Alderwoman Carson, the Board left executive session and reentered open session.

After discussing the need for another employee for the street department, and with recommendation from Kelvin Cooke and Trentiss Gordon, Alderwoman Carson made the motion to hire Eric Coleman and at a starting wage of \$8.50 per hour, and if a recommendation comes from the supervisors, increasing that to \$9.00 after 90 days. That motion was seconded by Alderwoman Nickson and unanimously adopted and approved.

With no other business, Alderwoman Taylor moved to adjourn, Alderwoman Carson seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 4:00 this 17th day of January 2017.

Charles M. Cariker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Celia J. Boren, Town Clerk

**APPENDIX A – ATTENDANCE SHEET
APPENDIX B – DECEMBER CLAIMS
APPENDIX C – MML RESOLUTION**