

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

BE IT REMEMBERED, that Tuesday, February 21, 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	Present
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	Absent
Town Attorney Charles B. Graves Jr.	Absent
Town Chaplain Danny Smith	Present

There were no others in attendance.

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 February 7, 2017. Alderman Graves moved to approve the minutes as written, Alderman Beach seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

REPORTS:

- The Mayor gave a short report for the Planning Commission regarding on-going code enforcement issues and advised that Brenda Van Cleave, the Ward 3 representative, resigned from the commission. Ward 3 Alderwoman Eloise Carson asked that the position be left vacant until after the June election so that the new Alderman could appoint someone.
- Asst. Chief Nichols reported for the Police Department.
- Supervisor Kelvin Cooke reported for Public Works.

Mayor Cariker presented the board with the two quotes received for mosquito control for the coming season. Vector Disease Control sent in a quote for \$28,000.00 to be paid in monthly installments. Advanced Mosquito Control from Boyle, MS sent in a quote of \$5,250.00 per month. After discussion, Alderwoman Carson made the motion to accept the quote from Advanced, citing the advantage of more aerial applications and six nightly truck sprayings weekly. Alderman Beach seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

APPENDIX A – MOSQUITO CONTROL QUOTES

The Board considered water adjustments totaling \$5,729.90, consisting of \$5,137.30 for leak repairs, \$297.32 for billing errors, and \$295.28 for meter installation

errors. After discussion, Alderwoman Taylor moved to approve the adjustment recommendations, Alderman Graves seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved.

APPENDIX B – WATER ADJUSTMENTS

Mayor Cariker asked the Board to consider the contract and payment to Point One Strategies, LLC (Trey Bobinger) for consulting and monitoring of legislative bills that could be detrimental to the Town. The amount to be considered for payment is \$3,750.00 for the duration of the current legislative session. After discussion, Alderman Graves made the motion to accept the contract and approved payment for the invoiced amount, stating this would be beneficial to and in the best interests of the Town and its residents. Alderman Beach seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved.

APPENDIX C – CONTRACT AND INVOICE

The Board considered a travel request for Town Clerk Boren to attend the spring session for MMCCA in Hattiesburg March 15-17. The cost for the conference is 4150.00 plus hotel, meals, and mileage, if necessary. Alderwoman Nickson made the motion to approve the travel request, Alderwoman Carson seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved.

Mayor Cariker asked for a motion to enter executive session to discuss police, contract negotiations and pending litigation. Alderwoman Nickson made the motion to enter executive session, Alderman Graves seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

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

Asst. Chief Nichols left the meeting at 3:50.

After discussing the need for additional officers for the police department, and with recommendation from assistant Chief Nichols, Alderman Graves made the motion to move Officer Anfrennee Saffold from part-time status to full-time status and increasing his hourly rate to \$14.50. That motion was seconded by Alderwoman Carson and unanimously adopted and approved. Then, upon recommendation from Nichols, Alderman Beach made the motion to hire Vernell McKinney as a patrol officer at a starting hourly rate of \$14.00. The motion was seconded by Alderman Graves and unanimously adopted and approved. Both officers will serve a 12 month probationary period, per the police department policy.

With no other business, Alderman Beach moved to adjourn, Alderwoman Carson seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 4:05 this 21st day of February 2017.

Charles M. Cariker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Celia J. Boren, Town Clerk

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