

**REGULAR FIRST TUESDAY MAY  
MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

**BE IT REMEMBERED, that Tuesday, May 2, 2017 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:**

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| <b>Mayor Charles M. Cariker</b>            | <b>Present</b> |
| <b>Alderman John A. Graves Jr</b>          | <b>Present</b> |
| <b>Alderman Brad Beach</b>                 | <b>Present</b> |
| <b>Alderwoman Eloise Carson</b>            | <b>Present</b> |
| <b>Alderwoman Brooks Taylor</b>            | <b>Present</b> |
| <b>Alderwoman Marie A. Nickson</b>         | <b>Present</b> |
| <b>Town Clerk Celia J. Boren</b>           | <b>Present</b> |
| <b>Deputy Clerk Charles N. Hailey</b>      | <b>Absent</b>  |
| <b>Town Attorney Charles B. Graves Jr.</b> | <b>Present</b> |
| <b>Asst. Chief Michael Nichols</b>         | <b>Present</b> |
| <b>Town Chaplain Danny Smith</b>           | <b>Present</b> |

**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.**

**Alderwoman Taylor left the room at 3:02 to avoid any conflict of interest with claims involving fire or advertising.**

**The Board considered the claims for April 2017. Alderwoman Carson had reviewed the claims prior to the meeting and made the motion to approve them as presented. Alderman Beach seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.**

**APPENDIX B – APRIL CLAIMS**

**Alderwoman Taylor re-joined the meeting at 3:04.**

**The Board considered the minutes from the meeting April 18, 2017. Alderwoman Nickson moved to approve the minutes as written, Alderman Beach seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.**

**REPORTS:**

- **Mayor Cariker reported on some outstanding code issues. He asked for a motion to include the minutes from the Planning Commission meeting held February 27. Alderman Graves made the motion to include those minutes in today's minutes, Alderwoman Carson seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.**

- Chief Nichols reported for the police department.
- Kelvin Cooke reported for public works department.
- Lyn Arnold reported for the Chamber and previewed May activities.

#### **APPENDIX B – PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES -2-27-17**

Tomico Harris had expressed concern about the repairs that had not been completed on her driveway following a broken water line from last summer. Mayor Cariker stated that Ray Briones would start on that repair and another driveway repair within the next week.

The Board considered water adjustment recommendations in the amount of \$16,534.38; \$15,520.61 for billing error, \$571.64 for leak repairs, and \$442.13 for miscellaneous adjustments. After discussion, Alderwoman Taylor made motion to approve the water adjustments as presented; Alderman Beach seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved.

#### **APPENDIX C – WATER ADJUSTMENTS**

Mayor Cariker asked for board approval to pay an invoice from American Municipal Services for \$113.50 for fines collected on behalf of the Town. The total collected and sent through the court receipts was \$567.51, with \$442.51 going towards court fines. AMS is due the 25% balance. Also, the Town owes AMS \$13.90 for utility collections of \$55.58. Alderwoman Carson made the motion to approve payment to AMS, Alderwoman Taylor seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

#### **APPENDIX D – INVOICES FROM AMS**

Mayor Cariker asked for a motion to approve paying Dade County, WI \$17.50 for a records request for an individual involving the police department. Alderman Beach made the motion, Alderwoman Carson seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted, approving payment to Dade County, WI.

#### **APPENDIX E – INVOICE FROM DADE COUNTY, WI**

The Board discussed the annual rabies vaccinations. Saturday, May 20, is the day planned for the vaccinations, with Dr. Landis in charge. The event will be offered from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 in the Marketplace again this year, with the cost being \$10.00 per animal. Mayor Cariker called for a motion; Alderman Graves made the motion, Alderwoman Taylor seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted. An ad will be placed in the Tunica Times and run for two weeks.

#### **APPENDIX F – AD/PROOF OF PUBLICATION**

The Board considered possibilities for the Justice Assistance Grant administered by the Dept of Public Safety. The grant is a 75-25 match up to a total of \$5,000.00. After discussion, Alderman Graves made the motion to approve applying for the grant, Alderwoman Carson seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved.

Mayor Cariker announced that Town Hall will be open Saturday morning to allow residents to register to vote in the upcoming election.

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

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

**Police Chief Nichols remained in the meeting until 3:54.**

**Mayor Cariker announced the following action taken during executive session: After discussion, and based upon job performance, Alderman Graves made the motion to increase Eric Coleman from \$9.00 per hour to \$9.50 per hour. Alderman Beach seconded and the motion was unanimously approved by the four aldermen present.**

**With no other business, Alderwoman Carson moved to adjourn, Alderman Beach seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 4:05 this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2017.**

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**Charles M. Cariker, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**Celia J. Boren, Town Clerk**

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