

**REGULAR FIRST TUESDAY JULY
MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN HELD
WEDNESDAY DUE TO JULY 4TH HOLIDAY**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that Wednesday, July 5, 2017 being the Wednesday after the first Tuesday of said month, the date having been changed due to the July 4th holiday falling on the first Tuesday, the normal date 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
Alderman Andrew Dulaney	Present
Alderwoman Brooks Taylor	Present
Alderman Billy Willis	Present
Town Clerk Celia J. Boren	Present
Deputy Clerk Kate Scott Pennock	Absent
Town Attorney Charles B. Graves Jr.	Absent
Police Chief Michael Nichols	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 claims for June 2017. Alderman Graves 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 – JUNE CLAIMS

The Board considered the minutes from the meeting June 20, 2017. Alderman Beach moved to approve the minutes as written, Alderman Graves seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

REPORTS:

- Alderman Graves gave a short report for the Planning Commission.
- Chief Nichols reported for the police department.
- Mayor Cariker reported for public works department.
- There was no report from the Chamber/Main Street.

First Regional Library were unable to attend the meeting but sent their budget request for FY18 for \$12,000.00. The Town imposes a 1.5 millage rate dedicated to

the library system, recognizing the importance of the services provided. The 1.5 mills is just over \$12,000.00.

Alderwoman Taylor joined the meeting at 3:15.

The Board discussed the appointment of a Vice-Mayor (Mayor Pro-tem). After discussion, Alderman Beach made a motion to appoint Alderman Graves to this position; Alderman Willis seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously adopted.

The Board next considered a request for payment to American Municipal Services for court collections. Total collections were \$160.00; \$128.00 was due to the Town and \$32.00 is the collection fee due to AMS. After a brief discussion, Alderwoman Taylor made the motion to approve payment to AMS for court collections; Alderman Willis seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

APPENDIX C – AMS INVOICE

The Board approved having a temporary light duty policy for the police department for officers who might have the need for light or restricted duty due to some health reason in the June 20 meeting. Chief Nichols asked that the Board approve police policy 3.02.1 which addresses this issue. This is the policy that will be entered into the policy manual. Alderman Graves made the motion to approve the policy, Alderwoman Taylor seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

APPENDIX D – POLICE POLICY #3.02.1

The Board took up for consideration the purchase of a police car, included in the current budget. Landers Dodge in Southaven has the current state contract on vehicles and has a car on the lot which meets the needs of the Town. The price, at state bid, is \$20,184.00, not including lights, markings, and other equipment which is specific to the Town and police vehicles. After discussion, Alderman Graves moved to authorize and approve the purchase of the vehicle. Alderman Beach seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved.

APPENDIX E – LANDERS DODGE QUOTE

The Board considered the Utility Service Co., Inc. quarterly payment for maintenance on the three water tanks in Town. The payment covers annual inspections, painting of the tanks and reporting. The total of the three invoices is \$16,843.73. These payments were approved at the beginning of the budget year, along with the Entergy payment for street lighting and the bank draft for Blue Cross Blue Shield of MS. Mayor Cariker asked for approval from the newly seated board to pay these claims as they come in. After discussion, Alderman Graves made the motion to approve the quarterly payments to Utility Service Co., collective street billing from Entergy and the monthly bank draft for MS Blue Cross Blue Shield. Alderwoman Taylor seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted and approved.

APPENDIX F – UTILITY SERVICE CO INVOICE

The Board discussed dates for upcoming budget meetings. After discussion, the first two meetings will be Tuesday, July 11 and Thursday, July 20 at 5:30.

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

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

There was no action taken during closed session.

With no other business, Alderman Beach moved to adjourn, Alderwoman Taylor seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 3:48 this 5th day of July 2017.

Charles M. Cariker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Celia J. Boren, Town Clerk

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