

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

BE IT REMEMBERED, that Tuesday, July 18, 2017 being the third Tuesday of said month and the day fixed by Board order for holding the second 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
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.	Present
Police Chief Michael Nichols	Present
Town Chaplain Danny Smith	Absent

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. Alderman Willis led in prayer.

The Board considered the minutes from the meeting July 5 and special meeting July 11, 2017. Alderwoman Taylor moved to approve the minutes as written, Alderman Willis seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

REPORTS:

- Mayor Cariker gave a short update on the Planning Commission.**
- Chief Nichols reported for the police department.**
- Kelvin Cooke reported for public works department.**
- Lyn Arnold presented a grant opportunity for the Town and the Chamber to partner together. The Delta Creative Placemaking Investment Program is an arts-based grant sponsored by the Delta Regional Authority for up to \$30,000.00 with matching funds or in-kind service from the partnering agencies, in this case, the Town, Chamber and the Arts Council. The grant would have to go through the Town, as the governing authority. After discussion, a motion was made by Alderman Dulaney to approve filing a letter of intent with DRA and to apply for the grant, if it is funded. Alderman Beach seconded and the motion was put to a vote: Graves, absent; Beach, yea; Dulaney, yea; Taylor, yea; and Willis, yea. The motion carried. Granville Sherman, with NDPDD, was involved in the discussion also.**

Mayor Cariker asked the Board to consider approving the purchase of electrolyte drink mix to add to the water coolers carried by the men in public works during

the extreme heat. This has been done in the past, but is approved by a new Board after taking office. The purpose is to benefit those employees who are working outside in the heat to help prevent heat exhaustion. The mix is purchased in both regular and sugar-free formulas. Alderwoman Taylor made the motion to approve the purchase of the drink mix, Alderman Willis seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved.

The Board considered a request from the Chief of Police to approve the newly purchased car to be designated as an unmarked police vehicle. The previous unmarked car is receiving new markings and will join the fleet as a marked police vehicle. After discussion, Alderman Beach made the motion to approve designating the new car as an unmarked police vehicle. Alderman Dulaney seconded, and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved.

The Board considered water recommendations from Deputy Clerk Pennock consisting of \$2,594.38 in leak repairs, \$163.23 in sewer/pool relief, and \$73.40 in billing errors for a total of \$2,831.01. After review and discussion, Alderman Beach made a motion to accept and approve the recommended adjustments as presented. Alderman Willis seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved.

APPENDIX B - WATER ADJUSTMENTS

The Mayor and Board reviewed and discussed budget amendments for all funds. These are the only amendments that will take place this fiscal year. Mayor Cariker went over the numbers and explained the differences to the Aldermen. After discussion, Alderman Dulaney made the motion to accept and approve the budget amendments as presented. Alderwoman Taylor seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

APPENDIX C – BUDGET AMENDMENTS

The Board considered the purchase of an item from a local shop to place in the silent auction sponsored by the MS Clerks Association. The monies raised are divided with the MML and both are used for scholarship funding; MML's portion is for elected officials and the clerks' portion is for clerks and deputy clerks from smaller towns without budgets for education. After discussion, Alderman Beach made the motion to approve purchasing an item not to exceed \$75.00. Alderman Dulaney seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved.

Granville Sherman left the meeting at 3:55.

The Mayor and Board discussed street and ditch repairs for wards three, four and five. No action was taken.

The Board heard the following travel requests:

- For Trentiss Gordon to attend a MWPCOA short course for CEU hours necessary to maintain his water license. The class is in Biloxi in September with registration fees of \$200.00 plus hotel and meals.
- And for Court Clerk Christy Young to attend mandatory training in Robinsonville September 6-8. The classes are paid by the association and the only expenses will be mileage and meals.

After discussion, Alderwoman Taylor made the motion to approve both travel requests, Alderman Willis seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Cariker announced that the next budget meeting will be Thursday, July 20 in the Boardroom at 5:30.

With no other business, Alderman Dulaney moved to adjourn, Alderman Beach seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 4:05 this 18th day of July 2017.

Charles M. Cariker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Celia J. Boren, Town Clerk

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