

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

BE IT REMEMBERED, that Tuesday, October 3, 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:

Mayor Charles M. Cariker	Present
Alderman John A. Graves Jr	Present
Alderman Brad Beach	Absent
Alderman Andrew Dulaney	Present
Alderwoman Brooks Taylor	Present
Alderman Billy Willis	Present
Town Clerk Celia J. Boren	Absent
Deputy Clerk Kate Scott Pennock	Present
Town Attorney Charles B. Graves Jr.	Present
Police Chief Michael Nichols	Absent
Investigator Chris Cheslock	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 claims for September 2017. Alderwoman Taylor had reviewed the claims prior to the meeting and made the motion to approve them as presented. Alderman Graves seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

APPENDIX B – SEPTEMBER CLAIMS

The Board considered the minutes from the meeting September 19, 2017. Alderman Dulaney moved to approve the minutes as written, Alderwoman Taylor seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

REPORTS:

- Jack Graves reported for planning commission.**
- Investigator Cheslock reported for the police department.**
- Kelvin Cooke reported for public works department.**
- No report for the Chamber of Commerce.**

Fred Ashwill spoke on behalf of the Mid South Food Bank.

The Board revisited the proposed appointment for FY 2018. After discussion, Alderman Dulaney made the motion to approve all of the appointments as

presented with the exception of the Airport Commission and Tourism Board, Alderman Willis seconded and the motion was adopted. Alderman Dulaney recused himself at 3:39 to avoid possible conflict of interest. Alderman Graves made to motion to approve the appointments as presented for the Airport Commission and Tourism Board, Alderwoman Taylor seconded the motion. Thereupon, the matter was put to vote with the result as follows:

Alderman John A. Graves, Jr.;	voted: Yay
Alderman Brad Beach;	voted: Absent
Alderman Andrew T. Dulaney;	voted: Recused
Alderwoman Brooks Taylor;	voted: Yay
Alderman Billy Willis;	voted: Yay

The motion carried.

APPENDIX C-APPOINTMENTS FY 2018

Alderman Dulaney rejoined the meeting at 3:40 pm.

The Mayor and Board revisited and discussed the clean up process for various lots in town. No action was taken.

Eric Konupka reported for the Tunica Airport.

The Board discussed and considered the proposal from Koonce, Erwin, and Wilkes for Property, Auto, and Liability insurance for 2017-2018 in the amount of \$78,000. Coverage will now include the water towers. Alderman Dulaney made the motion to approve the proposal from Koonce, Erwin, and Wilkes for Property, Auto, and Liability insurance for 2017-2018 in the amount of \$78,000; Alderman Willis seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

The Board discussed and approved the Letter of Engagement from McCune & Bell to perform the FY 2016/2017 audit in the amount of \$14,250.00. Alderman Willis made the motion to approve the Letter of Engagement from McCune & Bell, in the amount of \$14,250.00, to perform the audit for FY 2016/2017; Alderman Dulaney seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

APPENDIX D-MCCUNE & BELL LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT

The Mayor and Board discussed writing specs and advertising for bids for a garbage truck before the end of the 2017 calendar year due to changes in the bidding process. Alderman Graves made the motion to write the specs and advertise for bids for a garbage truck before the end of the 2017 calendar year; Alderman Dulaney seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

The Board discussed and considered bids from TOMCO in the amount of \$27,625.00 and AVO in the amount of \$32,000.00 for repairs and upgrades to the ditch along the east side Hospital Street. The estimated total of concrete needed for repairs is 88 cubic yards. The town will purchase the concrete and dirt for backfill. Alderwoman Taylor made the motion to take the bid from

TOMCO, LLC for ditch repairs along Hospital Street in the amount of \$27,625.00; Alderman Willis seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

APPENDIX E-TOMCO, LLC & AVO CONSTRUCTION BIDS

The Board considered an invoice from AVO Construction for sidewalk repairs on School Street, Hospital Street, and Fox Island Road in the amount of \$3,743.00. Alderman Graves made a motion to approve payment of \$3,743.00 to AVO Construction for sidewalk repairs on School Street, Hospital Street, and Fox Island Road; Alderman Willis seconded and motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

APPENDIX F-AVO CONSTRUCTION INVOICE

Alderwoman Taylor left the meeting at 4:43 pm to avoid any conflict of interest with payment of invoice for advertising.

The Board considered an invoice for payment to Tunica Times for advertising the Hazard Mitigation Plan and Budget notices in the amount of \$342.28. Alderman Dulaney made a motion to approve payment of \$342.28 to Tunica Times for advertising Hazard Mitigation Plan and Budget notices; Alderman Willis seconded and motion was adopted and approved by all members present.

APPENDIX G-TUNICA TIMES INVOICE

Alderwoman Taylor rejoined the meeting at 4:44 pm.

The Mayor and Board of Alderman next considered holding an Executive Session as authorized pursuant to Section 25-41-7 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended. Alderman Willis moved that a closed determination be held to discuss whether an executive session is needed to be held and is appropriate. Alderman Graves seconded the motion. Thereupon, the matter was put to a vote with the result as follows:

Alderman John A. Graves, Jr.;	voted: Yay
Alderman Brad Beach:	voted: Absent
Alderman Andrew T. Dulaney:	voted: Yay
Alderwoman Brooks Taylor:	voted: Yay
Alderman Billy Willis:	voted: Yay

The matter having received the majority vote of the Board of Alderman of the Town of Tunica, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the Mayor and Board held a closed determination on the issue of whether an executive session is necessary. Alderman Dulaney stated that the purpose for holding the executive session would be to discuss litigation and real estate.

Based on this, Alderman Dulaney moved that the Mayor and Board of Alderman hold an executive session to discuss, consider and act on the Executive Session Matter. Alderman Graves seconded the motion. Thereupon, the matter was put to a vote with the result as follows:

Alderman John A. Graves, Jr.;	voted: Yay
Alderman Brad Beach:	voted: Absent
Alderman Andrew T. Dulaney:	voted: Yay
Alderwoman Brooks Taylor:	voted: Yay
Alderman Billy Willis:	voted: Yay

The matter having received the majority vote of the Board of Alderman of the Town of Tunica, the Mayor declared the same carried and the Board entered into executive session to consider the Executive Session Matter. Present during the executive session were the Mayor, all members of the Board of Alderman who voted on going into executive session, Deputy Clerk Pennock and the Town Attorney. Following the discussion, the following action was taken during executive session, Alderman Dulaney made a motion for Attorney Chuck Graves to draw up a 12 month lease with Alex Obad for the Deli. Alderman Willis seconded the motion. Thereupon, the matter was put to a vote with the result as follows:

Alderman John A. Graves, Jr.;	voted: Yay
Alderman Brad Beach:	voted: Absent
Alderman Andrew T. Dulaney:	voted: Yay
Alderwoman Brooks Taylor:	voted: Yay
Alderman Billy Willis:	voted: Yay

Alderman Graves moved that the Mayor and Board of Alderman end the executive session and return to the open meeting. Alderman Dulaney seconded the motion. Thereupon, the matter was put to a vote with the result as follows:

Alderman John A. Graves, Jr.;	voted: Yay
Alderman Brad Beach:	voted: Absent
Alderman Andrew T. Dulaney:	voted: Yay
Alderwoman Brooks Taylor:	voted: Yay
Alderman Billy Willis:	voted: Yay

The matter having received the majority vote of the Board of Alderman of the Town of Tunica, the Mayor declared the same carried and the Board ended the executive session and returned to the open meeting. Mayor Cariker announced the Executive Session Matter discussed during the executive session and further advised of action taken.

The following travel requests were heard:

- For Police Chief Nichols to attend mandatory winter educational conference at Mill Conference Center in Starkville, MS held December 12-15, 201. Registration is \$325.00 plus meals, hotel, and other authorized expenses.
- For Police Chief Nichols to attend new chief's training in Ridgeland, MS held January 8-12, 2018. There are no direct costs for training for chiefs appointed after July 1, 2004. Hotel cost will be reimbursed by the State of MS after submission of reimbursement forms following completion of training. Other expenses include meals and other authorized expenses.

After discussion, Alderman Dulaney made the motion to approve the travel requests, Alderman Willis seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

Announcements:

- Small Town Conference will be held October 25-26, 2017 in Oxford, MS.

With no other business, Alderman Graves moved to adjourn; Alderman Dulaney seconded and the meeting adjourned at 4:52 pm this 3rd day of October 2017.

Charles M. Cariker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kate Scott Pennock, Deputy Town Clerk

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