

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

BE IT REMEMBERED, that Tuesday, December 4, 2018 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	Present
Alderman Andrew Dulaney	Present
Alderwoman Brooks Taylor	Present
Alderman Billy Willis	Present
Town Clerk Kate Scott Pennock	Present
Town Attorney Charles B. Graves Jr.	Present
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 November 2018. Alderman Beach had reviewed the claims prior to the meeting and made the motion to approve them as presented. Alderman Willis seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

APPENDIX B – NOVEMBER CLAIMS

The Board considered the minutes from the November 20, 2018 meeting. Alderman Graves moved to approve the minutes with amendments, seconded by Alderman Beach and unanimously adopted by all members present.

REPORTS:

- Chief Nichols reported for the police department.
- Kelvin Cooke reported for public works department.
- Laura Withers reported for Tunica Mainstreet.

The Mayor and Board took up for discussion the BBI annual software and hardware maintenance agreement for 2019. The total cost for the software maintenance agreement is \$7,830.00 and \$5,607.70 for the hardware maintenance agreement. Alderman Graves made the motion to approve both of the BBI annual software and hardware maintenance agreements for 2019; Alderman Willis seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved.

APPENDIX C – BBI SOFTWARE AND HARDWARE AGREEMENTS FOR 2019

The Mayor and Board discussed and considered approval of the resolution to the Mississippi House of Representatives and the Mississippi State Senate to allow EPA's to provide high-speed internet to their members. Alderman Beach made the motion to approve the resolution to the Mississippi House of Representatives and the Mississippi State Senate to allow EPA's to provide high-speed internet to their members; Alderman Dulaney seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved.

APPENDIX D – RESOLUTION EPA TO PROVIDE HIGH-SPEED INTERNET

The Board considered water adjustment recommendations from Utility Clerk Green in the amount of \$806.48 for leak repairs. After discussion, Alderman Graves made the motion to approve water adjustments as presented. Alderman Willis seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

APPENDIX E – WATER ADJUSTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

The Mayor and Board discussed the proposal from DJJ Technologies for internet, cable, and phone services for Town Hall, Town Shop and the Police Department. The Mayor and Board will review the proposal and discuss during the next regular meeting. No action taken.

The Mayor and Board discussed appointments for the Mayor's Health Council. The Mayor asked each Board member to send recommendations from their ward and will discuss during the next regular meeting. No action taken.

The Board next considered travel request for Officer Keys and Officer Eaton to attend the Refresher Course in Moorhead, MS for certification requirements in Mississippi. The cost for the 5-week course is \$1,500.00 per officer, which includes lodging and meals. The officers will attend separate sessions that will be offered in January and May of 2019. Alderman Dulaney made the motion to approve the travel request; Alderman Beach seconded and the motion was adopted and approved.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen next considered holding an Executive Session, as authorized pursuant to Section 25-41-7, Mississippi 1972, as amended. Alderman Graves moved that a closed determination be held to discuss whether an executive session is needed to be held and is appropriate. Alderman Willis seconded the motion. Thereupon, the matter was put to a vote with the results as follows: Alderman Graves, yea; Alderman Beach, yea; Alderman Dulaney, yea; Alderwoman Taylor, yea; and Alderman Willis, yea. The matter having received the majority vote of the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Tunica, Mayor Cariker declared the motion carried. Mayor Cariker stated that the purpose for holding the executive session would be to hear personnel issues.

Based on this, Alderman Graves made the motion that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen hold an executive session to discuss, consider and act on the Executive Session matter. Alderman Dulaney seconded the motion. The matter was put to a vote with the result as follows: Alderman Graves, yea; Alderman Beach, yea; Alderman Dulaney, yea; Alderwoman Taylor, yea; and Alderman Willis, yea.

The matter having received the majority vote of the Board of Aldermen of Tunica, the Mayor declared the same carried and the Board entered in to executive session to consider the Executive Session Matter. Present during the executive session were the Mayor, the Board of Aldermen who voted on going into executive session, Town Clerk Pennock, Chief Nichols, and Attorney Graves.

After discussion, the following action was taken regarding police personnel: Alderman Graves made the motion proceed with the hiring process of new officers as presented by Chief Nichols. Alderman Willis seconded and a vote was taken with the following results: Alderman Graves, yea; Alderman Beach, yea; Alderman Dulaney, yea; Alderwoman Taylor, yea; and Alderman Willis, yea. The matter having received the majority vote, Mayor Cariker announced the motion carried.

Alderman Graves made the motion to leave executive session seconded by Alderman Dulaney. The vote was as follows: Alderman Graves, yea; Alderman Beach, yea; Alderman Dulaney, yea; Alderwoman Taylor, yea; and Alderman Willis, yea. The motion carried and the Board returned to open meeting.

Mayor Cariker announced the actions taken during Executive Session matter.

The Mayor announced changes to hours of operation for the public libraries in Tunica and Robinson due to budget concerns. Effective January 2, 2019, the R. C. Irwin Public Library will have a reduction in hours of public service. Amended hours will be Monday-Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.; Friday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; and Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Effective January 2, 2019, service at the Robinsonville Public Library will be temporarily suspended and the last day to be open to the public will be December 31, 2018.

The Mayor also announced that Bill Morris, with MS Life & Health, will be in the Board Room in Town Hall on December 19, 2018 for open enrollment from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

With no other business, Alderman Graves moved to adjourn, Alderman Dulaney seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 3:28 p.m. this 4th day of December 2018.

Charles M. Cariker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kate Scott Pennock, Town Clerk

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