

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

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, that Tuesday, February 18, 2020 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:

<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>Alderman Andrew Dulaney</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Alderwoman Brooks Taylor</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Ward 5</b>	<b>Vacant</b>
<b>Town Clerk Kate Scott Pennock</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Town Attorney Richard W. Ryals, II</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Police Chief Michael Nichols</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Investigator Chris Cheslock</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Street Supervisor Kelvin Cooke</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Operations Manager Thomas J. Robinson, III</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.**

**The Board considered the minutes from the meeting February 4, 2020. Alderman Dulaney moved to approve the minutes as written, Alderman Beach seconded, and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.**

**REPORTS:**

- Alderman Graves reported for the Planning Commission.**
- Investigator Cheslock reported for the police department.**
- Thomas “J” Robinson reported on public works operations and installing LED lights in the Town Shop through the Entergy LED Lighting Program. Alderman Dulaney made a motion to approve installing LED lights in the Town Shop; Alderman Graves seconded, and the motion was adopted and approved by all members present.**
- Code Enforcer David Graves reported on code violations in town.**

**Under old business, no action was taken regarding disposal of grass clippings and leaves left by commercial companies or individual businesses.**

**The Mayor and Board discussed and considered the funding request of \$15,000.00 from the Tunica Airport Commission to cover annual liability insurance premium. Alderman Graves made a motion to approve the funding request from the Tunica Airport Commission in the amount of \$15,000.00 with the stipulation that this a one-time payment; Alderman Beach seconded, and the motion was adopted and approved by all members present.**

The Mayor and Board discussed and considered the quote from Dixie Fence for fence work in several areas. Alderman Dulaney made a motion to approve the quote for the fence work; Alderman Graves seconded, and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

#### **APPENDIX B – QUOTE FOR FENCE WORK**

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen next considered holding an Executive Session, as authorized pursuant to Section 25-41-7, Mississippi Code of 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 Beach 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; and Alderwoman Taylor, yea.

The matter having received the majority vote of the Board of Aldermen 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. Mayor Cariker stated that the purpose for holding the executive session would be to discuss police and public works personnel.

Based on this, Alderman Beach 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; and Alderwoman Taylor, 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 into executive session to consider the Executive Session Matters. Present during the executive session were the Mayor, all members of the Board of Aldermen who voted on going into executive session, Town Clerk Pennock, Town Attorney Ryals, and Investigator Cheslock.

Alderman Graves made the motion to leave executive session seconded by Alderman Beach. The vote was as follows: Alderman Graves, yea; Alderman Beach, yea; Alderman Dulaney, yea; and Alderwoman Taylor, yea. The motion carried and the Board returned to open meeting and Mayor Cariker announced that no action was taken during executive session.

The Mayor and Board discussed and considered appointing Thomas J. Robinson, III as the building inspector for the town which includes additional duties and a salary increase to \$52,00.00, with the additional increase as Admin personnel. Alderman Graves made a motion to approve appointing Thomas J. Robinson, III as building inspector and salary increase to \$52,000.00; Alderman Dulaney seconded, and the motion was adopted and approved by all members present.

Mayor Cariker announced that the police officer on administrative leave has completed all the requirements according to Town Policy No: 4.22, Post Shooting Incident, and will return to work effective immediately.

With no other business, Alderwoman Taylor moved to adjourn, Alderman Graves seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 3:34 p.m. this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February 2020.

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**Charles M. Cariker, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**Kate Scott Pennock, Town Clerk**

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