

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

BE IT REMEMBERED, that Tuesday, September 15, 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:

Mayor Charles M. Cariker	Present
Alderman John A. Graves Jr	Present
Alderman Brad Beach	Present
Alderman Andrew Dulaney	Present
Alderwoman Brooks Taylor	Present
Alderman Dan Pierce	Absent
Town Clerk Kate Scott Pennock	Present
Town Attorney Richard W. Ryals, II	Present
Police Chief Michael Nichols	Present
Investigator Chris Cheslock	Absent
Street Supervisor Kelvin Cooke	Absent
Operations Manager Thomas J. Robinson, III	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 minutes from the meeting September 1, 2020 and the Budget Public Hearing September 1, 2020. 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:

- Nothing to report for the Planning Commission.**
- Chief Nichols reported for the police department.**
- Thomas “J” Robinson reported on public works operations.**
- Laura Withers reported for Tunica Mainstreet.**
- David Graves reported for Code Enforcer.**

The Mayor and Board discussed and considered the tax levy for FY 2021. Alderman Graves made a motion to approve the tax levy for FY 2021; Alderman Beach seconded, and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

APPENDIX B – TAX LEVY FY 2021

The Mayor and Board next considered adopting the budget for FY 2021 as presented. Alderman Dulaney made a motion to adopt and approve the budget for FY 2021; Alderman Beach seconded, and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

APPENDIX C – BUDGET FY 2021

The Mayor and Board considered and discussed the appointments for FY 2021. Alderman Graves made a motion to adopt and approve the appointments for FY 2021; Alderwoman Taylor seconded, and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

APPENDIX D – APPOINTMENTS FY 2021

The Mayor and Board discussed payment of invoice in the amount of \$5,890.00 to Antonio Ortega for sidewalk repairs and concrete work. Alderman Graves made a motion to approve payment to Antonio Ortega in the amount of \$5,890.00 for sidewalk repairs and concrete work; Alderman Dulaney seconded, and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

APPENDIX E – INVOICE FROM ANTONIO ORTEGA

The Mayor and Board discussed payment to Center for Education & Employment Law in the amount of \$254.95 for law books. Alderman Graves made a motion to approve payment of \$254.95 for law books; Alderman Beach seconded, and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

APPENDIX F – CEEL INVOICE

The Mayor and Board also discussed payment to ADP, LLC for July and August timeclock services in the amount of \$482.86. Invoices were not received due to incorrect mailing address. Alderman Dulaney made a motion to approve payment of \$482.86 to ADP, LLC; Alderman Graves seconded, and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

APPENDIX G – ADP, LLC INVOICE

The Mayor and Board considered reimbursement of \$33.73 to Jay Robinson for Water Operator license renewal for Trentiss Gordon. Due to deadline restrictions, online payment was required. Alderman Dulaney made a motion to approve reimbursement to Jay Robinson in the amount of \$33.73; Alderwoman Taylor seconded, and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

APPENDIX H – WATER OPERATOR LICENSE RENEWAL FEE

The Mayor and Board next considered and discussed declaring Skagg Turf Tiger (Unit #42) and Bush Hog PZ3061 (Serial #3-01338) mowers as surplus. Alderman Graves made a motion to declare Skagg Turf Tiger (Unit #42) and Bush Hog PZ3061 (Serial #3-01338) mowers as surplus; Alderman Beach seconded, and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

The Mayor and Board considered and discussed quotes from Covington Sales & Service, Inc. and RW Equipment Company for a Falcon 4-ton transporter for paving purposes. Alderman Beach made a motion to accept quote and approve purchase of a Falcon 4-ton transporter from Covington Sales & Service, Inc. in the amount of \$49,999.50; Alderman Dulaney seconded, and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

APPENDIX I – QUOTES FOR PAVING MACHINE

The Mayor and Board considered the following travel request:

- **Town Clerk Pennock to attend 2020 Fall Master Municipal Clerk and Committee Academy October 21-23, 2020 in Ridgeland, MS. Costs will include registration fee of \$120.00 plus hotel and other travel fees.**
- **Patrolman Smith to attend Taser Instructor training for recertification on October 2, 2020 in Russellville, AR. Costs will include registration fees plus hotel and travel expenses.**
- **Trentiss Gordon to attend Water Training for recertification. Dates and locations have not been determined at this time.**

Alderman Graves made a motion to approve all travel requests presented; Alderman Dulaney seconded, and the motion was unanimously adopted and approved by all members present.

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; Alderwoman Taylor, yea; and Alderman Pierce, absent.

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 legal and personnel matters.

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, Alderwoman Taylor, yea; and Alderman Pierce, absent.

The matter having received the majority vote of the Board of Aldermen of Tunica, the Mayor declared the same carried and the Board entered 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, and Town Attorney Ryals.

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 Pierce, absent. The motion carried and the Board returned to open meeting and Mayor Cariker announced that no action was taken during executive session.

With no other business, Alderman Graves moved to adjourn, Alderwoman Taylor seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m. this 15th day of September 2020.

Charles M. Cariker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kate Scott Pennock, Town Clerk

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