MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF BOONEVILLE November 5, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED that the 1st meeting of November 2024, of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen, of the City of Booneville, Mississippi, was held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., at Booneville City Hall, the time and place for said meeting.

Those in attendance were the following members of the Board: Mayor Chris Lindley, Alderman Jimmy Hicks, Alderman Carolyn Miller, Alderman LaVaile Shields, Alderman Jeff Williams, and Alderman Tara Lauderdale. Also present were City Clerk Sharon Williams, City Attorney Daniel Tucker, several City employees, and members of the public. The meeting was called to order in open session by Mayor Lindley, and a quorum was declared present.

The invocation was given by Jim Lamb.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Jeff Williams.

There first came on for consideration, the request to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

- (a) Approve board minutes of October 15, 2024
- (b) Approve Bill Dockets
- (c) Approve Gas & Water adjustments
- (d) Approve Sharon Williams and Kelsey Moore to attend the Winter Clerk Conference in Flowood, MS December 9-13th Lodging: \$836.10, Meals: \$272.00 each Travel: \$293.46 (Kelsey) Registration: \$250.00 each
- (e) Approve Johnathan Timbes & Brandon Wright to attend Field Training Officer Course at the Tupelo Police Academy December 4-6, 2024, at a cost of \$225.00
- (f) Approve Courtney Moore to attend the MNGA Tradeshow in Tupelo, MS on February 12-13, 2025, at a cost of \$250.00 for registration
- (g) Approve to pay Chris Lindley \$450.24 for milage to attend the gas conference on November 6-8, 2024, retroactive
- (h) Approve to reimburse Corrie Robbins in the amount of \$20.05 for fuel purchase
- (i) Approve to pay the county \$50,000.00 for city tax collections
- (j) Approve to pay the General Obligation Utility Bond in the amount of \$13,191.88 (retroactive)
- (k) Approve to pay \$25 for Kelsey Moore notary application (retroactive)
- (I) Approve resignation of Greg Sockwell as a full-time police officer effective October 22, 2024
- (m) Approve the resignation of Tyler George as a full-time fire fighter effective November 11, 2024

Alderman Shields made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Terry Tolar requesting approval for the Veterans Day Parade route on November 9, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, there came on for consideration, James Lamb to discuss an issue with the insurance at the Rails and Trails Museum.

There next came on for consideration, Lori Tucker with the Tourism Department, requesting approval of a resolution for MMSA annual Tourism dues for 2024-2025 in the amount of \$2,650.00. The Tourism Board has already approved said resolution. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval of a resolution for Main Street travel in the amount of \$4,000.00. The Tourism Board has already approved said resolution. Alderman Miller made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Alderman present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval of a resolution for the Downtown Holiday

Beautification in the amount of \$4,000.00. The Tourism Board has already approved said

resolution. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the

Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval of a resolution for the Christmas Lighting in the amount of \$3,500.00. The Tourism Board has already approved said resolution. Alderman Hicks made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Alderman present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval of a resolution for the Peeler Park Project in the amount of \$3,500.00, pending a MOU. The Tourism Board has already approved said resolution. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, and with the Alderman present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Bobby Agnew with the Fire Department, requesting approval to post for a sergeant. Alderman Miller made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request for approval to post for a full-time fire fighter. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Alderman present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Paul Carpenter with the Water Department, requesting approval to receive quotes to repair the water line from Jefferson Street to South Second Street. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Alderman present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made to approve emergency repair on Morgan property to replace a sewer line that had eroded away. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Oscar Joshlin with the Gas Department, requesting approval for an emergency purchase an odorator in the amount of \$5,600.00. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Alderman all present and voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, under the Board Report, a request was made to post for the Administrative

Assistant position at City Hall. Alderman Shields made motion to table this, seconded by

Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion to table unanimously carried.

Next, there was a discussion regarding Westover Heights. No action was taken.

Next, there was a discussion regarding drainage on Main Street. No action was taken.

Next, under the Mayor's Report, Mayor Lindley requested approval to call a Work

Session for November 25, 2024, at 4:30 to discuss the following: garbage pickup, painting lines,
water meters, library phone and security system, new residential late fee policy, 2lb gas systems,
proposal, and time clocks. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman

Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously
carried.

Next, Mayor Lindley requested approval to declare November 28-29, 2024, Holiday for Thanksgiving, December 24-25, 2024, Holiday for Christmas, and January 1, 2025, Holiday for New Year's. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, and with the Alderman present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made to go into closed session to determine if an executive session was needed. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

While in closed session, it was determined that an executive session was needed. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Alderman Shields made a motion to go back into open session, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Back in open session, a request was made to credit Baptist Memorial Hospital for services not utilized in the amount of \$3,142.85. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request to send letters to the old account holders in the Gas & Water Department that have new accounts that have a balance on the old account, to pay the outstanding balance.

Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

With there being no other business before the Board, Alderman Sheilds made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Alderman present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

CHRIS LINDLEY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

SHARON WILLIAMS, CITY CLERK