

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD
OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF BOONEVILLE
October 15, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED that the 2nd meeting of October 2024, of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen, of the City of Booneville, Mississippi, was held on Tuesday, October 15, 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 Tara Lauderdale, Alderman Carolyn Miller, and Alderman Jeff Williams. Alderman LaVaile Shields was absent. Also present were Deputy City Clerk Kelsey Moore, 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 James McChristian.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brant Sappington.

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

- (a) Discuss/Approve Meadow Creek Road property clean-up.
- (b) Discuss/Approve to withhold ½ of Brian Parker's compensation until the city is reimbursed.
- (c) Discuss/Approve First Methodist Drainage Issue Cook Coggin.
- (d) Closed session for personnel issue in the Police Department.

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

Next, the request to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

- (a) Approve board minutes of October 1, 2024 and the special called minutes of October 1, 2024 & October 7, 2024
- (b) Approve to reimburse Main Street Association for hotel room in Pelham AL in the amount of \$125.19
- (c) Approve to pay Patsy McGaha \$500 for September services retroactive (due to invoice being turned in while at conference)
- (d) Approve to pay The Peoples Bank in the amount of \$157,850.00 for 2019 Special Obligation Bond
- (e) Approve to pay The Peoples Bank in the amount of \$103,117.59 for the Gas and Water portion of the 2019 Special Obligation Bond
- (f) Approve Lori Tucker's travel retroactive October 1, 2024, Lodging: \$139.00 Meals: \$118.00 Mileage: \$233.16
- (g) Approve the resignation of Merideth Starkey effective November 1, 2024
- (h) Approve the resignation of Bryson Asher effective immediately
- (i) Approve the resignation of Jonathan Watkins effective immediately

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- (j) Discuss/Approve to transfer interest from all accounts to the general fund for 2022-2023 in the amount totaling \$9768.60
 - (k) Discuss/Approve to transfer interest from all accounts to the general fund for 2023-2024 in the amount totaling \$168,373.23

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

There next came on for consideration, the First Baptist Church, requesting approval to block the street for the Church Fall Festival. Alderman Miller made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next came on for consideration, Rebecca Elliot, requesting approval to waive fees for the old Hardware Building and to close the street for November 23, 2024, for the New Site High School. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hick, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, under General Government, requesting approval for the final resolution of the Ad Valorem tax exemption for ProVia. Alderman Williams 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 the final tax exemption of the Ad Valorem tax exemption for Marathon Cheese in the amount of \$1,541,436.43 and \$1,363,896.28. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Jon Hill with the Park Department, requesting approval to post for a full-time maintenance position at the rate of \$14.00-\$15.00 per hour. Alderman Miller made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval to post for Administrative Assistant at the rate of \$14.00-\$15.00 per hour. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Courtney Moore with Gas & Water Department, requesting approval to sign agreements with Paradigm Awareness Program. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made to approve Waste Connections bill. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made to approve Booneville School District receiving \$30,000.00 credit for gas usage. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made to approve National Guard receiving \$3,000.00 credit for gas usage. Alderman Hicks made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Paul Carpenter with Water Department, requesting approval post and fill positions of two pipe fitters at the rate of \$15.00 per hour. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval for the replacement of pump station control panels. Two quotes were received. One from Hydra Service, pending providing insurance, in the amount of \$59,285.75 (variable) and \$30,260.00 (solid state) and the second from Industrial Automation in the amount of \$38,503.00 (variable) and \$26,160.00 (solid state). A motion was made to accept the low quote from Industrial Automation in the amount of \$26,160.00 with Alderman Lauderdale making said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen all present and voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, under the Board Report, Alderman Lauderdale discussed the lights at the ball fields. A request to get quotes for leasing/purchasing lights for all fields was made. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, under the Mayor's Report, Mayor Chris Lindley requested approval to purchase the holiday cookbook full page ad with the Banner Independent in the amount of \$650.00. Alderman

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

Next, a request was made to give a citizen additional time for property clean-up on Meadow Creek Rd property. Alderman Williams made said motion to give her until the first meet in January, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made to withhold $\frac{1}{2}$ of Brian Parker's compensation until the city is reimbursed for a worker's comp check that he was not supposed to receive. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made to proceed with the First Methodist Drainage Issue, and to pay from modernization fund, if legal. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

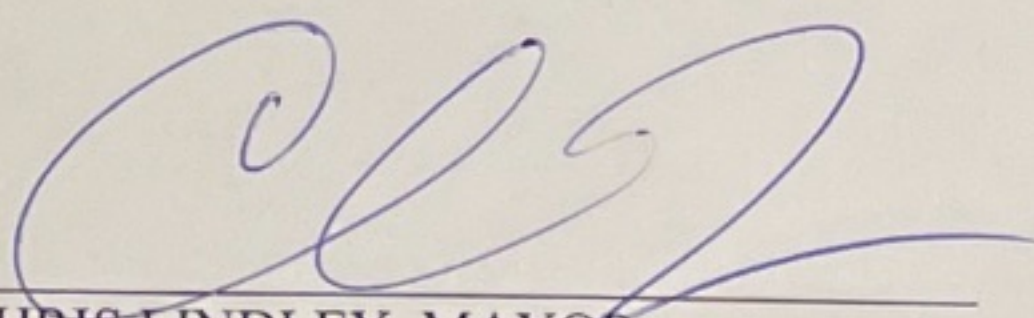
Next, a request to go into closed session for a personnel issue within the Police Department. Alderman Hicks made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

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

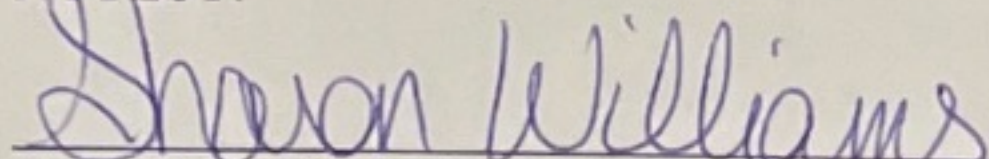
Alderman Williams made a motion to go back into open session, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Back in open session, a request was made to terminate Officer Casey Wallace. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

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


CHRIS LINDLEY, MAYOR

ATTEST:


SHARON WILLIAMS, CITY CLERK