

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD
OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF BOONEVILLE

July 21, 2026

BE IT REMEMBERED that the second meeting of July 2026, of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen, of the City of Booneville, Mississippi, was held on Tuesday, July 21, 2026, at 5:30 pm, at City Hall, 203 North Main Street, the time and place for said meeting.

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

The invocation was given by Gregg Tucker.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trevor Claunch.

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

- a) Discuss/Approve Mayor Lori Tucker and City Clerk Sharon Ramey to sign any and all documents concerning the Dog Park Project
- b) Discuss/Approve to schedule a Work Session for Wednesday, July 29, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. to discuss the following:
 - Budget
- c) Discuss/Approve plat changes at Club Side Subdivision
- d) Discuss/Approve single-source quote for the overhaul of the Duperon bar screen at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Alderman Shields 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.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve the following items on the consent agenda.

- a) Approve Work Session Minutes of 07-07-2026 and Board Minutes of 07-07-2026
- b) Approve Gas & Water deposit refunds
- c) Approve to pay Pinchin, LLC in the amount of \$67,445.00 for invoice# 117513
- d) Approve to reimburse Daniel Tucker for lodging in the amount of \$1,209.10 for MML/MPA 2026 Summer Conference
- e) Approve Change Order 1 from Riverside Traffic Systems, Inc. for the Booneville Street Striping 2026 Phase I Project
- f) Approve to pay Riverside Traffic Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$29,470.40 for the Booneville Street Striping 2026 Phase I Project from the Modernization account

- g) Approve to pay International Institute of Municipal Clerks in the amount of \$195.00 for membership fees retroactive to July 7, 2026
- h) Approve to reimburse the General Fund (001-001-681) in the amount of \$65,623.43 from the Water account (400-660-584) for the MLK Drive Lift Station Rehabilitation Project
- i) Approve to reimburse the General Fund from Modernization in the amount of \$20,000.00 for the Wyninegar Road Project
- j) Approve to reimburse the Main Street account in the amount of \$63,744.34 from the General Fund for the MDOT Phase II Project
- k) Approve to pay J.M. Duncan, Inc. in the amount of \$220,582.02 from the Modernization account for invoice no. 1471 for the Booneville Downtown Intersection Improvements Project STP-0055-00(042)/109164701
- l) Approve Contractor's Estimate for the Booneville Downtown Intersection Improvements Project STP-0055-00(042)/109164701
- m) Approve Trey Slaton, Sammy McGee, and Laura Smith to attend 911 Coordinators Conference in Biloxi, MS August 8-14, 2026, registration is \$495.00 each, lodging is \$442.46 each, meals are \$340.00 each, with permission to use a City vehicle and travel card
- n) Approve to pay MS DOR in the amount of \$12.00 for a tag for the Court Clerk's vehicle
- o) Approve Lori Tucker and Sharon Ramey to attend virtual READY Local Governments Training Program September 29-December 1, 2026, registration is free

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

There next came on for consideration, under New Business, a request by the Children's Church Outreach Community for the approval to waive the rental fee for the Swift Park Community Center on Sunday, August 8, 2026 for the Church Anniversary. 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 for approval to block the streets at the Booneville Hardware Building on Saturday, September 19, 2026 from 5:30 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. for the 50th BHS Class Reunion. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Sharon Ramey with General Government requesting approval for herself and Mayor Lori Tucker to sign any and all documents associated with the MMSRG grant. Alderman Hicks 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 for approval to close the Wyninegar Road account and transfer the remaining balance to the General Fund at Farmers & Merchants Bank. 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 to close the House Bill 1353 Account and transfer the remaining balance to the General Fund at Farmers & Merchants Bank. 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 was made for approval of the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Booneville and the Booneville Main Street Association. Alderman Hicks 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 to promote Amy Ellis to Utility Billing Specialist with a pay rate that goes with the position of \$17.06 per hour, effective immediately. Alderman Miller 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 to post for an Assistance Utility Billing Specialist at the rate of \$16.50 to \$17.00 per hour, depending on experience. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval to schedule a Work Session for July 30, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. for the following:

- Policy Book

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

Next, a request was made for approval to schedule a Work Session for August 3, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. for the following:

- Position and Department Head Appointments

Alderman Hicks 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 to schedule a Work Session for August 4, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. for the following:

- Street Safety Issues
- Kaywood Drive
- Water Line Relocation Project PPIN 4543
- Speed Bumps at Oakhaven Circle and Michael Drive
- Property Cleanup
 - 203 Oakhaven Circle
 - 300 Oakhaven Circle
 - 202 Penny Lane
 - 304 North Fifth Street

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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 was made for approval for Mayor Lori Tucker and City Clerk Sharon Ramey to sign any and all documents concerning the Dog Park Project. Alderman Hicks 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 to schedule a Work Session for Wednesday, July 29, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. for the following:

- Budget

Alderman Shields 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, Gary Cleveland with Public Property requesting approval to post for a seasonal Cemetery Maintenance position. Alderman Shields 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 for approval to authorize Cook Coggin to prepare bid documents and advertise for construction bids for upgrading the roof on the George E. Allen Library (to be funded by Legislative Special Appropriations). 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 for approval for Mayor Lori Tucker to sign all necessary documents for upgrading the roof on the George E. Allen Library. Alderman Shields 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 for approval of the plat changes to Club Side Subdivision. Alderman Lauderdale recused herself and left the room. Alderman Hicks made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, 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 of the Travel Park Tourism Resolution in the amount of \$5,000.00 retroactive to June 23, 2026. This resolution had already been approved by the Park Board. Alderman Lauderdale 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, Fire Chief Bobby Agnew requesting approval to post for a Battalion Chief at the rate of \$18.51 per hour. 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 for approval to post for a full-time Firefighter at the rate of \$13.70--\$14.21 per hour, depending on certification. Alderman Hicks 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, Paul Carpenter with the Water Department requesting approval to hire Zachary Horn as a full-time Water and Sewer Maintenance position at the rate of \$18.00 per hour, effective immediately pending City requirements. 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 to seek bids for the Carleigh Lane Lift Station Rehabilitation Project. 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 a fifty-cent (\$.50) Apprenticeship Program raise for Paul Carpenter, effective immediately. 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 a single-source quote for the overhaul of the Duperon bar screen at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. A quote in the amount of \$55,000.00 was received to re-build the screen and Duperon is the single source. Alderman Lauderdale 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 to seek bids for the Annual Leak Survey. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Police Chief Michael Ramey requesting approval to send Elijah Jackson to the Tupelo Police Academy on August 10, 2026. 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 was made for approval to send Michael Crowson to the Police Academy on August 10, 2026. Alderman Williams 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 of the Law Enforcement Officers Grant (50/50 match). 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 the Firehouse Sub Grant (100%). Alderman Miller 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 to accept received quotes and award the project for the removal of the retaining wall at the Police Department. One quote was received in the amount of \$48,690.00 from Parsons Earthwork. Alderman Lauderdale made a motion to accept the quote from Parsons Earthwork in the amount of \$48,690.00. This was seconded by Alderman Shields, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Cook Coggin with a request for approval to advertise for materials for the East Lake Street Drainage Improvements Project. 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 to authorize Cook Coggin to prepare and submit ARC grant pre-applications (70/30 match) for the proposed replacement of a water booster station and appurtenances serving the West Prentiss County and Booneville Industrial Park. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval for Mayor Lori Tucker to sign all required documents for the proposed replacement of a water booster station and appurtenances serving the West Prentiss County and Booneville Industrial Park. 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 for approval to authorize Cook Coggin to prepare and submit ARC grant pre-applications (70/30 match) for the proposed rehabilitation of the West Prentiss County and Booneville Industrial Park Sewer Pump Station. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval for Mayor Lori Tucker to sign all required documents for the proposed rehabilitation of the West Prentiss County and Booneville Industrial Park Sewer Pump Station. Alderman Miller 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 to authorize Cook Coggin to prepare and submit ARC grant pre-applications (70/30 match) for the proposed replacement of the Heartland Sewer Pumping Station. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval for Mayor Lori Tucker to sign all required documents for the proposed replacement of the Heartland Sewer Pumping Station. Alderman Hicks 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, a request was made for approval to go into closed session. 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 to discuss to discuss a personnel issue within the Gas & Water Department. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

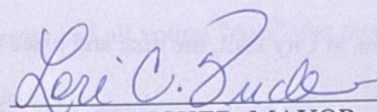
Next, a request was made to go back into open session. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Back in open session, Alderman Lauderdale made a motion to bill or collect for the effected time that the water meter was requested to be turned off, and to Adjust the water bill for 2023, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

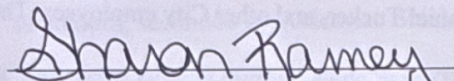
Next, General Announcements were made.

- Wynegar Road Ribbon Cutting—Tuesday, July 28, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
- Back to School Block Party—Thursday, August 20, 2026

With there being no other business, a motion was requested to adjourn. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale and with Aldermen present and all voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.


LORI C. TUCKER, MAYOR

ATTEST:


SHARON RAMEY, CITY CLERK