

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD
OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF BOONEVILLE
July 7, 2026

BE IT REMEMBERED that the first meeting of July 2026, of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen, of the City of Booneville, Mississippi, was held on Tuesday, July 7, 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 Trevor Claunch.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kent Geno.

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

- a) Approve placing warning signs and rumble strips on Wyninegar Road and make the speed limit 30 m.p.h.
- b) Approve changing the policy on firemen and policemen to change their status from seasonal to part-time because of their certification requirements

Alderman Lauderdale made a motion to approve adding the items to the agenda, seconded by Alderman Shields, 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 06-16-2026, Board Meeting Minutes of 06-16-2026, Special Called Minutes of 06-17-2026, Special Called Minutes of 06-18-2026, and Special Called Minutes of 06-24-2026
- b) Approve Bill Dockets
- c) Approve Gas & Water adjustments
- d) Approve to pay Mississippi Municipal Court Clerks Association in the amount of \$100.00 for 2026 Annual Dues for Candrice Williams retroactive to 06-23-2026
- e) Approve the retirement of Gary Flemming from the Fire Department effective 06-30-2026
- f) Approve Police Officers Brandon Wright and Monique Loftis to attend ICC CORE Instructor Development at Itawamba Community College in Fulton, MS

August 3-7, 2026, registration is \$25.00 each (\$50.00 total) with permission to use City vehicle

- g) Approve Debb Tubb to attend MMSRG Implementation Workshop in Jackson, MS and Application Workshop in Pearl, MS July 14-15, 2026, registration is free, lodging is \$382.78, meals are \$136.00, and mileage is \$323.96
- h) Approve Sharon Ramey to attend MMSRG Implementation Workshop in Jackson, MS and Application Workshop in Pearl, MS July 14-15, 2026, registration is free, lodging is \$645.17, meals are \$136.00, and mileage is \$323.96
- i) Approve Paul Carpenter and Billy Bridges to attend Smith & Loveless Lift Station Class in Flowood, MS 08-04-2026, registration is free, lodging is \$229.96 each (\$459.91 total), meals are \$136.00 each (\$272.00 total), with permission to use City vehicle and travel card
- j) Approve to pay TyBe Company, LLC in the amount of \$24,882.63 for the Water System Improvements Filter Replacement Parker Drive Project
- k) Approve Vance Raines to attend the NFPA 1010 Firefighter Level I/II class August 10, 2026 – October 1< 2026 at the MS State Fire Academy in Pearl, MS, tuition is \$500.00, meals are \$980.00, with permission to use a City vehicle and travel card
- l) Approve Paul Carpenter and Michael Crenshaw to attend MDEQ Math training water class in Starkville, MS July 28-30, 2026, registration is free, lodging is \$431.20 each, meals are \$204.00 each, with permission to use a City vehicle
- m) Approve Paul Carpenter and Billy Bridges to attend MSRWA Wastewater Certification class in Tupelo, MS August 17-21, 2026, registration is \$380.00 each, meals are \$340.00 each, with permission to use a City vehicle
- n) Approve to pay the American Public Gas Association in the amount of \$4,683.22 for 2026 APGA Municipal Gas Membership dues from the Gas System fund

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

There next came on for consideration, Sharon Ramey with General Government requesting approval to rescind the purchase of a 2026 Chevrolet Tahoe 4WD PPV State Contract (#8200084194) price in the amount of \$57,204.97 from the Court Clerk Technology account. 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 to post for a Utility Billing Specialist at the Gas & Water Office at the rate of \$16.00-\$18.00 per hour, depending on experience. Alderman Miller 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, Gary Cleveland with Public Property requesting approval of the Zoning Map correction of PPIN 8452, PPIN 8450, and PPIN 8448 from C-3 Highway Commercial to R-1 Single Family Residential District, retroactive

to June 19, 2026. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Gary Cleveland gave updates on 307 East Lake Street (PPIN 8514) and 304 Ninth Street (PPIN 4962).

Next, a request was made for approval to declare an emergency on the AC units at the Sunflower Community Center. 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 of the emergency purchase of two (2) five-ton Gas AC units at the Sunflower Community Center retroactive to June 25, 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 to accept the best and lowest quote on the purchase of HVAC replacement at the George E. Allen Library. One quote was received from Booneville Heating & Cooling in the amount of \$55,597.00. Alderman Williams made a motion to accept the best and lowest quote from Booneville Heating & Cooling in the amount of \$55,597.00. This was 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 advertise for bids for the George E. Allen Library roof replacement. 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 accept the best and lowest quote for repair of the Public Property building. Two quotes were received. One quote was from Faith Construction in the amount of \$18,630.00. A second quote was received from Steel Con in the amount of \$6,100.00. Alderman Miller made a motion to accept the best and lowest quote from Steel Con in the amount of \$6,100.00. This was seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Deb Tubb with the Tourism Department requesting approval of the Main Street Fall Festival Stage Deposit Tourism Resolution in the amount of \$1,000.00. This resolution has already been approved by the Tourism Board. This would promote the City of Booneville, Mississippi. 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 of the Main Street Marketing/Advertising Tourism Resolution in the amount of \$800.00. This resolution has already been approved by the Tourism Board. This would promote the City of Booneville, Mississippi. 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 of the Main Street Miss Hospitality Tourism Resolution in the amount of \$600.00. This resolution has already been approved by the Tourism Board. This would promote the City of Booneville, Mississippi. 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 of the Main Street Church Street Alley & District Mural Outdoor Equipment Tourism Resolution in the amount of \$400.00. This resolution has already been approved by the Tourism Board. This would promote the City of Booneville, Mississippi. 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, Jon Hill with the Park Department requesting approval to accept the best request for proposal on the Wiggy Field Dog Park Project. Multiple inquiries were received with only two proposals received. A committee scored the proposal with emphasis placed on price, technical, management, cost. After a thorough review and grading by the committee, the proposal made by the company Bliss received the highest score. (Score sheets attached.) With that Alderman Shields 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, Police Chief Michael Ramey requesting approval to hire Elijah Jackson as a full-time Patrol Officer at the rate of \$19.04 per hour effective immediately, pending drug screen. 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 hire Michael Crowson as a full-time Police Officer at the rate of \$19.04 per hour effective immediately, pending drug screen. 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 hire Molli Taylor as a part-time Dispatcher at the rate of \$11.50 per hour, effective immediately. 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 of a fifty cent (.50) increase in pay for Patrolman Clinton Franks for completion of the Police Academy, effective immediately. 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, Kevin Short with the Street Department requesting approval to promote Billy Agnew to Crew Leader position at the rate of \$19.50 per hour, effective immediately. Alderman Hicks made a motion to table this issue, 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 promote Brandon Donahue to Crew Leader position at the rate of \$19.50 per hour, effective immediately. Alderman Hicks made a motion to table this issue, seconded by Alderman Williams, 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 Street Department Maintenance position at the rate of \$15.00-\$19.00 per hour, depending on experience. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

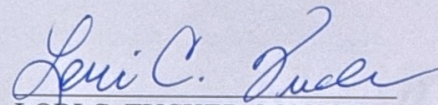
Next, General Announcements were made.

- Grow at the Depot- Thursdays, 4:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
- Wynegar Road Ribbon Cutting—Tuesday, July 28, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

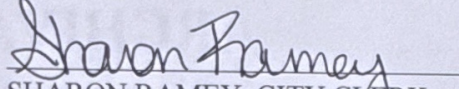
With there being no other business, a motion was requested to adjourn. Alderman Shields

made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye",

the motion unanimously carried.


LORI C. TUCKER, MAYOR

ATTEST:


SHARON RAMEY, CITY CLERK