

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD
OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF BOONEVILLE
June 2nd, 2026

BE IT REMEMBERED that the first meeting of June 2026, of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen, of the City of Booneville, Mississippi, was held on Tuesday, June 2nd, 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 James McChristian.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brant Sappington.

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

- Approve the Work Session Minutes of 06-01-2026
- Discuss/Approve to hire Jessie Pannell part-time at the Waste Treatment facility at the rate of \$11.00 per hour effective immediately
- Discuss/Approve to post for a full-time Crew Lead position in the Street Department at \$18.50 - \$19.50 per hour depending on experience

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

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

- a) Approve Board Minutes of 05-19-2026 and Work Session Minutes of 05-19-2026
- b) Approve Bill Dockets
- c) Approve Gas & Water adjustments
- d) Approve to reimburse Derrick Leatherwood in the amount of \$22.99 for a flag at the Animal Shelter from Booneville Hardware & Supply
- e) Approve to reimburse Jason Cole in the amount of \$140.98 for supplies at the Old Hardware Building from Tractor Supply Co.
- f) Approve to pay C&B Auto Salvage and Wrecker Service, LLC in the amount of \$603.90 for servicing the cemetery truck for the Public Property department
- g) Approve to reimburse Fire Fighter Brian Goecke in the amount of \$125.00 for fuel in the ladder truck
- h) Approve to pay MB Handyman and Lawn in the amount of \$2,349.00 for mowing the Booneville Cemetery retroactive to May 21, 2026
- i) Approve the resignation of Patrol Officer Brigg Mason retroactive to May 8, 2026
- j) Approve to pay Falcon Contracting Co., Inc. in the amount of \$35,854.23 for Pay App #1 for the Booneville South Main Drainage Improvements Project
- k) Approve the resignation of Shane Jackson from the Water Department effective immediately
- l) Approve to pay the Prentiss County Development Association in the amount of \$15,000.00 for half of the Annual Contribution

- m) Approve to pay Falcon Contracting Co., Inc. in the amount of \$900.00 for the Booneville Street Paving 2025 Phase I Project retroactive to May 26, 2026
- n) Approve the retirement of Charles Tennison from the Street Department effective June 19, 2026
- o) Approve Oscar Joshlin, Paul Carpenter, Bryan McVey, and Carson Brunes to attend the Mississippi Natural Gas Association meeting in Brandon, MS July 8-10, 2026, registration is \$500.00 each (\$2,000.00 total), lodging is \$1,182.62 each (\$4,730.48 total), meals are \$272.00 each (\$1,088.00 total), with use of City vehicle and travel card
- p) Approve the Carleigh Vick Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$500.00 to recipient Makylah Pippin, to be paid from the D.A.R.E. account
- q) Approve to reimburse Diane Garvin in the amount of \$147.62 for participation in the I Care for Animals grant
- r) Approve to pay the Mississippi Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Membership Fee in the amount of \$100.00 for Police Chief Michael Ramey
- s) Approve Police Chief Michael Ramey to attend the 2026 Mississippi Association of Chiefs of Police Summer Conference in Biloxi, MS June 14-19, 2026, registration is \$386.18, lodging is \$765.30, meals are \$408.00, with use of City vehicle and travel card
- t) Approve Court Clerk Candrice Williams to attend the 2026 Mississippi Municipal Court Clerk's Association Annual Summer Conference in Biloxi, MS June 30-July 3, 2026, registration is \$50.00, lodging is \$779.94, meals are \$272.00, and mileage is \$516.49
- u) Approve Mayor Lori Tucker to attend the 2026 Mississippi Municipal League Annual Summer Conference in Biloxi, MS June 27-July 2, 2026, registration is \$350.00, lodging is \$995.00, meals are \$340.00, with use of a City vehicle and travel card
- v) Approve City Clerk Sharon Ramey and Administrative Assistant/Deputy City Clerk Kimberly Jackson to attend the 2026 Mississippi Municipal League Annual Summer Conference in Biloxi, MS June 27-July 2, 2026, registration is \$350.00 each, lodging is \$1,454.90 each, meals are \$340.00 each, with use of City vehicle and travel card
- w) Approve Alderwomen LaVaile Shields and Tara Lauderdale to attend the 2026 Mississippi Municipal League Annual Summer Conference in Biloxi, MS June 27-July 2, 2026, registration is \$350.00 each, lodging is \$1,454.90 each, meals are \$340.00 each, and mileage is \$537.08 each
- x) Approve Alderman Jeff Williams, Alderman Jimmy Hicks, and Parks and Rec Director Jon Hill to attend the 2026 Mississippi Municipal League Annual Summer Conference in Biloxi, MS June 27-July 2, 2026, registration is \$350.00, lodging is \$995.00, meals are \$340.00, and mileage is \$537.08 **(Alderman Jimmy Hicks will not need mileage)**
- y) Approve Tourism Director Debb Tubb to attend the 2026 Mississippi Municipal League Annual Summer Conference in Biloxi, MS June 27-July 2, 2026, registration is \$375.00, lodging is \$995.00, meals are \$340.00, and mileage is \$537.08
- z) Approve City Attorney Daniel Tucker to attend the 2026 Mississippi Municipal Attorneys Association Annual Summer Conference in Biloxi, MS June 27-July 2, 2026, registration is \$175.00, meals are \$340.00, and mileage is \$537.08
- aa) Approve Police Chief Michael Ramey to attend the 2026 Mississippi Municipal League Annual Summer Conference in Biloxi, MS June 27-July 2, 2026, with use of City vehicle and travel card
- bb) Approve the Work Session Minutes of 06-01-2026**

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

Next there came for consideration, Sharon Ramey with General Government requested approval to transfer \$105,000.00 from the Gas & Water account to the General account. Alderman Miller made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Sharon Ramey requested approval to hire Brittany Davis as a part-time Library Clerk at the rate of \$11.00 per hour effective immediately. Alderman Hicks made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, she requested a motion to approve a full-page ad for the City of Booneville in the amount of \$650.00 for the 17th Annual NEMCC Campus Guide in The Banner Independent. This ad would promote the City of Booneville. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made to schedule a Work Session on the June 16, 2026 at 4:30 pm to discuss updates on Dilapidated Properties, per Mayor Lori Tucker. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, a request by Paul Carpenter with the Booneville Water Department to hire Paul Patterson as a Seasonal Employee at the rate of \$11.00 per hour effective immediately. Alderman Hicks made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request for approval to hire Dexter Long as a full-time Meter Reader at the rate of \$16.00 per hour, effective immediately pending a drug screen. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, approval requested to hire James Taylor as a full-time Water Sewer Maintenance employee at the rate of \$16.00 per hour effective immediately, pending a drug screen. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, it was requested to hire Tristan Harden as a full-time Water/Sewer Maintenance employee at the rate of \$16.00 per hour effective immediately, pending a drug screen. Alderman Hicks made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request to post for a full-time Maintenance Technician in the Water Department at the rate of \$16.00-\$18.00 per hour, depending on experience. Alderman Williams made said

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

Next, a request was made to approve declaring an emergency sewer line repair on Jefferson Street. Alderman Miller made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, approval was requested to hire Jessie Pannell part-time at the Water Treatment facility at the rate of \$11.00 per hour effective immediately. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next there came on for consideration, Chief Michael Ramey of the Booneville Police Department requesting approval to hire Tyler Reese as a full-time Patrol Sergeant at the rate of \$20.67 per hour effective immediately, pending a drug screen. Alderman Shields made said motion seconded by Miller and with the alderman present and voting "Aye", the motion carried.

Next there came on for consideration, it was requested by Kevin Short with the Street Department to post for a full-time Crew Lead position in the Street Department at the rate of \$18.50-\$19.50 per hour depending on experience. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Cook Coggin requesting approval to accept the lowest and best bid for the North Road gas line relocation PPIN 6354. There were two bids received, Buzz Plaxico submitted the bid of \$74,776.50, and the second (2nd) bid was from Eubank Construction, who submitted the bid of \$135,000.00. Alderman Shields made said motion to accept the Buzz Plaxico bid of \$74,776.50, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made to accept the lowest and best bid for a gas line bore near Wheeler PPIN 2861. The following four (4) bids were received;

- o A&B Construction, LLC in the amount of \$43,165.00
- o Buzz Plaxico Dozer Service, Inc in the amount of \$68,625.00
- o Eubank Construction Co. in the amount of \$80,000.00
- o Frontier Excavating & Underground Const., LLC in the amount of \$36,375.00

Alderman Williams made a motion to accept the lowest and best bid provided from Frontier Excavating and Const., in the amount of \$36,375.00, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Alderman Jeff Williams requested approval to add "Bookkeeper" to Sharon Ramey's job title. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

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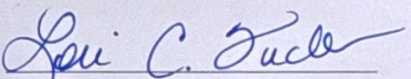
Next, approval was requested to increase City Clerk Sharon Ramey's rate of pay \$7,000.00-\$10,000.00 due to the increase of task allocations and responsibilities. Alderman Lauderdale made a motion to increase her rate of pay \$10,000.00 annually, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made to split City Clerk Sharon Ramey's payrate between Gas & Water and General Government. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

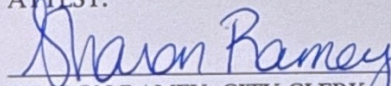
Next General Announcements were made.

- ☐ Grow at the Depot- Thursday, June 4th, 2026 4:00-6:00 PM
- ☐ Juneteenth Celebration-Sunflower Park
 - △ Festival-Saturday, June 20th, 2026
 - △ Parade-Sunday, June 21st, 2026 at 5:00PM

With there being no other business, a motion was requested to adjourn. Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Hicks, 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