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

JANUARY 17, 2023

BE IT REMEMBERED that the 2nd meeting of January 2023, of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen, of the City of Booneville, Mississippi, was held on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at 5:30 pm, in the Board Room, at 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, Alderman LaVaile Shields, and Alderman Jeff Williams. Also, present were City Attorney Daniel Tucker, City Clerk Sharon Williams, several City employees, and members of the public. The meeting was called to order in open session by Mayor Chris Lindley, and a quorum was declared present.

The invocation was given by Brother Casey Jackson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brant Sappington.

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

- 1) CLOSED SESSION PENDING LITIGATION.
- 2) LOCAL ADS AND VISITORS GUIDE, \$900.00.
- 3) ALLI BRANDING CO., \$300.00.
- 4) GROW AT THE DEPOT, \$3,000.00.
- 5) HOSPITALITY ARTS FESTIVAL, \$9,500.00.
- 6) DOWNTOWN CUTOUTS, \$1,000.00.
- 7) BRANDING OPPORTUNITY, MMSA, \$500.00.

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

- 1) APPROVE BOARD MINUTES OF JANUARY 3, 2023.
- APPROVE TO REFUND SHELTON OAKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$37.51 FOR POLICE ACADEMY SUPPLIES AT ACADEMY ON DECEMBER 27, 2022.
- 3) APPROVE TO REFUND SHELTON OAKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$117.42 FOR POLICE ACADEMY SUPPLIES AT WALMART ON DECEMBER 27, 2022.
- 4) APPROVE THE FULL-TIME RESIGNATION OF JESSE ARNOLD FROM THE BOONEVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 17, 2023.
- 5) APPROVE THE FULL-TIME RESIGNATION OF DERRICK HINDO FROM THE BOONEVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 20, 2023.

- 6) APPROVE FOR LORI TUCKER TO ATTEND MMSA TRAINING IN CLEVELAND, MS JANUARY 26-27, 2023, AT THE COST OF \$223.00 FOR MILEAGE, \$25.00 FOR MEALS, AND \$119.00 FOR LODGING.
- 7) APPROVE FOR LORI TUCKER TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL MAIN STREET CONFERENCE IN BOSTON MARCH 26-29, 2023, AT THE COST OF \$465.00 FOR LODGING, \$105.00 FOR MEALS, AND \$411.00 FOR AN AIRLINE TRAVEL TICKET.
- 8) APPROVE TO SEND SHARON WILLIAMS AND AMBER DAVIS TO THE 2023 SPRING MUNICIPAL CLERK PROGRAM IN OXFORD, MS APRIL 12-14, 2023, FOR A COST OF \$176.98 EACH FOR MEALS TOTALING \$353.96, \$598.41 FOR LODGING EACH TOTALING \$1,196.82, \$100.25 EACH FOR MILEAGE TOTALING \$200.50, AND \$200.00 EACH FOR REGISTRATION TOTALING \$400.00.
- 9) APPROVE TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION LETTER OF HANNAH FEATHERSTON EFFECTIVE JANUARY 19, 2023, FROM BOONEVILLE GAS & WATER DEPARTMENT.
- 10) APPROVE TO SEND OSCAR JOSHLIN, LISA STENNETT, AND PAUL CARPENTER TO ATTEND THE MISSISSIPPI NATURAL GAS ASSOCIATION'S 35TH ANNUAL TRADESHOW IN TUPELO, MS JANUARY 25-26, 2023, WITH REGISTRATION COSTING \$250.00 EACH TOTALING \$750.00, AND THE USE OF A COMPANY VEHICLE. EACH WILL RECEIVE 4.5 GAS HOURS UPON COMPLETION OF THE EVENT.
- 11) APPROVE THE TERMINATION OF CODY TRIPLETT FROM THE BOONEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.
- 12) APPROVE TO PAY DEPENDABLE DOZER \$2,200.00 FOR PROPERTY CLEANUP ON PPIN 0241.
- 13) APPROVE TO PAY DEPENDABLE DOZER \$3,500.00 FOR PROPERTY CLEANUP ON PPIN 2831.
- 14) APPROVE MAYOR CHRIS LINDLEY TO ATTEND CDBG WORKSHOP ON JANUARY 19, 2023, USING THE TRAVEL CARD FOR FUEL WITH A TOTAL COST OF \$381.02 FOR LODGING AND \$78.64 FOR MEALS.

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

There next came on for consideration, Mary Nell Smith requesting approval to close Main Street in front of the Old Hardware Building on May 20, 2023, from 5:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. for a wedding.

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, Brother Casey Jackson requesting the waiving of the rental fee for the Swift Park Community Center for Share Big Ministries on January 27, 2023. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, under General Government, Sharon Williams requested approval to advertise for yearly supplies for the following:

- 1) Hot Mix Asphalt #1A
- 2) Hot Mix Bituminous Pavement in place per 100 ton #2A (6 month bid)
- 3) 3 Inch Rock #3A
- 4) #7 State Certified Washed Rock #4A
- 5) #57 Rock #5A

- 6) Spot Sealing Per Mile #6A
- 7) DBST per ton #7A
- 8) Crusher Run #8A
- 9) Rip Rap (100 and 200 lb Rock) #9A
- 10) Culverts from 8-60 inches, price per ft. include all elbows, tees, and bands #10A
- 11) Surge #11A
- 12) Clay Gravel #12A
- 13) Gasoline including tank wagon price regular, unleaded, and premium #13A
- 14) Diesel fuel #14A
- 15) Full-Service Oil Changes/Services of City Vehicles and Light Trucks #15A
- 16) Full-Service Synthetic Oil Change with 5 quarts of oil and amount for each additional quart #16A
- 17) Fill Dirt #17A

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

There next came on for consideration, Fire Chief Bobby Agnew requested approval to hire Jesse Arnold as a part-time Firefighter at \$11.00 per hour, effective January 17, 2023. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Fire Chief Bobby Agnew requested approval to hire Derrick Hindo as a part-time Firefighter at \$11.00 per hour, effective January 20, 2023. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Fire Chief Bobby Agnew requested approval to post for two full-time Firefighters at \$12.45-\$12.95, based on experience, with an application deadline of January 31, 2023. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Alderman present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, under the Gas & Water Office, Lisa Stennett requested approval to post for a Lead Clerk position, at \$14.00 per hour with an application deadline of January 31, 2023. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Lisa Stennett requested approval of a credit application for Knapheide Truck Equipment Company. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, under the Board Report, there was discussion that curbs need to be cleaned.

Next, under the Mayor's Report, Mayor Lindley requested approval to post for the appointment of a Booneville School Board member. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Mayor Lindley requested approval to place a light pole and streetlight on Burress Street.

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

Next, Mayor Lindley requested approval to purchase an ad with the Banner Independent Visitor's Guide at a cost of \$650.00. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Mayor Lindley requested approval for payment to Roberts Builders in the amount of \$273,044.25 for the first pay request on the Police Department Construction Loan. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Alderman present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, a request was made to go into closed session to determine if an executive session was needed to discuss a personnel issue at the Gas & Water Department.

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

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

Next, 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 motion was made by Alderman Shields to accept the letter of resignation of Daniel Webb. This was seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Alderman present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, a request to go into closed session to determine if an executive session was needed to discuss potential litigation. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Alderman Hicks made a motion to go into executive session, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

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

Back in open session, a motion was made by Alderman Lauderdale to reimburse taxes paid to Longland in the amount of \$166.04 and Oak Investment in the amount of \$155.01. 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, a request by Lori Tucker with the Tourism Department for approval of the resolution for the Local Ads and Visitor's Guide for \$900.00 to be paid out of the Tourism Fund. The tourism board had previously 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.

There next came on for consideration, a request by Lori Tucker with the Tourism

Department for approval of the resolution for the Alli Branding Company for \$300.00 to be paid out of the Tourism Fund. The tourism board had previously approved said resolution. Alderman Miller made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Alderman present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, a request by Lori Tucker with the Tourism

Department for approval of the resolution for the Grow at the Depot for \$3,000.00 to be paid out of the Tourism Fund. The tourism board had previously approved said resolution. Alderman Shields 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, a request by Lori Tucker with the Tourism

Department for approval of the resolution for the Hospitality Arts Festival for \$9,500.00 to be paid out of the Tourism Fund. The tourism board had previously approved said resolution. 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, a request by Lori Tucker with the Tourism

Department for approval of the resolution for the Downtown Cutouts for \$1,000.00 to be paid out of the Tourism Fund. The tourism board had previously approved said resolution. 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, a request by Lori Tucker with the Tourism

Department for approval of the resolution for the Branding Opportunity, MMSA for \$500.00 to be paid out of the Tourism Fund. The tourism board had previously approved said resolution. 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 Shields made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

CHRIS LINDLEY, MAYOR

SHARON WILLIAMS, CITY CLERK