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

JANUARY 3, 2023

BE IT REMEMBERED that the 1st meeting of January 2023, of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen, of the City of Booneville, Mississippi, was held on Tuesday, January 3, 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 James Christian.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Lauderdale.

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

- 1) CLOSED SESSION PENDING LITIGATION.
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- 3) WASTEWATER TREATMENT APPRENTICESHIP.

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

- APPROVE BOARD MINUTES OF DECEMBER 20, 2022, AND WORK SESSION MINUTES OF DECEMBER 19, 2022.
- 2) APPROVE BILL DOCKET.
- APPROVE TO PAY THE SECRETARY OF STATE \$25.00 FOR COURTNEY MOORE'S NOTARY.
- 4) APPROVE MAYOR/BOARD WINTER CONFERENCE HANUARY 9-12, 2023 IN JACKSON, MS (PAYING FOR MEALS, MILEAGE, REGISTRATION, AND LODGING).
- 5) APPROVE GARY FLEMING'S INSURANCE REFUND OF \$886.30.
- 6) APPROVE SHARON WILLIAMS' INSURANCE REFUND OF \$331.76.
- 7) APPROVE TO PAY \$12.00 RETROACTIVE FOR THE TAG APPLICATION ON THE MAYOR'S NEW VEHICLE.
- 8) APPROVE CHRIS HINDO, COURTLAND ARNOLD, DERRICK HINDO, CHRISTOPHER DAVIS, AND MICAH POSEY TO TAKE EMR CLASS STARTING JANUARY 9, 2023, COSTING \$225.26 EACH TOTALING \$1,126.30.

- 9) APPROVE JERIUS MAXEY TO TAKE FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY EDUCATOR III STARTING JANUARY 16, 2023 (ONLINE), COSTING \$175.00.
- 10) APPROVE MICAH POSEY TAKING THE MSTAT TEST ON FEBRUARY 1, 2023, COSTING \$20.00.

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 discussion, Veneshia Gillespie requested the waiving of the rental fee for the Booneville Hardware Building retroactively for usage by Grace Y, P, and E non-profit organization.

Alderman Williams made a motion to waive the rental fee pending them providing 501(C)(3) documentation. This was seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, under General Government, Sharon Williams requested discussion and approval of increasing Administrative Assistant Courtney Moore's pay by \$1.00 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, Lori Tucker with the Tourism Department requesting approval of the resolution for holiday lighting with Exterior Surface for an estimated amount of \$3,800.00. 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, Fire Chief Bobby Agnew requested approval of a cell phone for the Fire Inspector. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Alderman present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, under the Board report, Alderman Lauderdale discussed an update on road paving and a current list.

Next, Alderman Miller discussed the paving of Marietta Street and the paving area on Twin Hills Street.

Next, under the Mayor's report, Mayor Lindley requested approval of a work session for January 23, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. instead of January 16, 2023 due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with the Alderman present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, a request to clarify the work to be done at 107 Marietta Street. Alderman Hicks made a motion to tear down the structure at 107 Marietta Street and to clean the lot. This was seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Alderman present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, a request to approve the Wastewater Treatment

Apprenticeship. 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 to approve Michael Crenshaw for the apprenticeship with him receiving 50 cents per hour raise, every six (6) months, for twenty-four (24) months. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Shields, 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 Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

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

Back in open session, it was stated that no action had been taken.

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Back in open session, a motion was made by Alderman Shields to transfer \$500,000.00 from the Water Construction Account to the Gas Account. This was seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

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

Back in open session, it was stated that no action was taken.

With there being no other business before the Board, Alderman Williams made a motion to adjourn in honor of Coach Mike Leach, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Alderman present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

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CHRIS LINDLEY, MAYOR

ATTEST:
SHARON WILLIAMS, CITY CLERK