

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

July 5, 2023

BE IT REMEMBERED that the 1st meeting of July 2023, of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen, of the City of Booneville, Mississippi, was held on Wednesday, July 5, 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: Alderman Jimmy Hicks, Alderman Tara Lauderdale, Alderman Carolyn Miller, and Alderman Jeff Williams. Mayor Chris Lindley was unable to attend due to the death of his father Mr. Johnny Lindley. Alderman LaVaile Shields acted as Mayor Pro Tem. 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 Pro Tem Shields, and a quorum was declared present.

The invocation was given by Alderman Williams.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Miller.

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

- 1) To increase the pay of Brandon Wright and Drew Copeland now that they had finished the police academy, retroactive to July 1, 2023, to \$17.20 per hour.
- 2) To rescind the action taken on 9-15-22 where the board approved a water rate increase of .50 cents effective October 22, 2022, and another .50 cents in April 2023.
- 3) Discuss 3rd month water adjustment for Quinton Smith in the amount of \$157.45.
- 4) To open quotes for stripping East Church Street.
- 5) Closed session to determine if executive session is required for issue in General Government.
- 6) Close session to determine if executive session is needed for issue in Gas and Water.

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

There next came on for consideration, a motion to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

- 1) APPROVE BOARD MINUTES OF JUNE 20, 2023.
- 2) APPROVE BILL DOCKETS.
- 3) APPROVE TO PAY PNEU-DART INVOICE #357354 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$85.69.
- 4) ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF CODY HORN FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE JULY 28, 2023.
- 5) APPROVE TO PAY ELLIS-FLINT, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$316.80 RETROACTIVELY.
- 6) APPROVE REIMBURSEMENT TO DREW COPELAND FOR \$76.91 FOR FUEL FOR ACADEMY TRAVEL.
- 7) APPROVE INVOICE NUMBER 22016PPA#4CA FROM ARCHITECTURE SOUTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,611.34 FOR PHASE I.
- 8) APPROVE INVOICE NUMBER 22016 PRINTING REIMBURSABLE #3 FROM ARCHITECTURE SOUTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$931.14 FOR PLAN HOUSE PRINTING INVOICE #334726.
- 9) APPROVE THE BEER PERMIT AND PRIVILEGE LICENSE FOR YAMATO GROUP LLC BY YU CHEN.
- 10) APPROVE REIMBURSEMENT TO MICHAEL RAMEY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$58.00 FOR GAS.
- 11) ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF JACKIE ROWAN EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.
- 12) APPROVE TO PAY INVOICE #0001826 FROM WG CONSTRUCTION CO., INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$316,859.30.
- 13) APPROVE TO PAY INVOICE #015123 FROM MOORE ENGINEERING COMPANY, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,842.97.
- 14) APPROVE INVOICE #118 TO DEPENDABLE DOZER WORK LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,750.00.

15) APPROVE TO PAY ROBERTS BUILDERS INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$249,492.80
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Alderman Williams made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Leigh Treloar with Junior Auxiliary requesting approval of the waiving of the Hardware Building fee for the Junior Auxiliary's Disney on Main for October 14, 2023. Alderman Miller made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, under General Government, City Clerk Sharon Williams requested approval to raise the limit on the City travel credit card to \$20,000.00. 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 of the final resolution for the Ad Valorem Tax Exemption for Caterpillar in the amount of \$86,941.75 for a period of ten (10) years. 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 lowest and best quote for flooring for City Hall. Two (2) quotes were received. The first quote was from Calvery's in the amount of \$10,101.55. The second quote was from Perry's Super Carpet Store in the amount of \$11,570.00. Alderman Lauderdale made a motion to accept the lowest and best quote from Calvery's in the amount of \$10,101.55. This was seconded by Alderman Miller, 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 a resolution to purchase two (2) cases of S14 Warm White LED Bulbs for the Hardware Building in the amount of \$879.00. This resolution has already been approved by the Tourism Board and would be paid for by the tourism fund. 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 of a resolution to purchase four (4) tables with chairs for the Downtown Alley Project in the amount of \$6,600.00. This resolution has already been approved by the Tourism Board and would be paid for by the tourism fund. 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 a resolution to purchase safety barriers for the Downtown Alley Project in the amount of \$3,500.00. This resolution has already been approved by the Tourism Board and would be paid for by the tourism fund. 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 of a resolution for cleanup and string lighting of the alley at Church Street in the amount of \$4,800.00. This resolution has already been approved by the Tourism Board and would be paid for by the tourism fund. 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 for consideration, David Moore, requesting approval of the lowest and best quote for installation of pumps for the Honeycutt Sewer Lift Station. Two (2) quotes were received. The first quote was from Eubank Construction in the amount of \$110,200.00. The second quote was from Buzz Plaxico Dozer Service in the amount of \$74,760.00. Alderman

Williams made a motion to accept the lowest and best quote from Buzz Plaxico Dozer Service in the amount of \$74,760.00. This was 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 Part-Time Clerk at the rate of \$11.00 per hour. 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, Paul Carpenter with the Water Department requesting approval to hire Tony Pannell as a Seasonal Worker at the Treatment Plant at the rate of \$11.00 per hour, effective immediately. 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 accept the lowest and best quote for the air conditioner for the Treatment Plant. Two (2) quotes were received. The first quote was from Carpenter Heating and Cooling in the amount of \$5,850.00. The second quote was from Sweeney's Air Conditioning in the amount of \$6,675.00. Alderman Williams made a motion to accept the lowest and best quote from Carpenter Heating and Cooling in the amount of \$5,850.00. This was 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 seek sealed bids for the Caterpillar Lift Station. 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 obtain quotes for the new main for the Mark McAnally property on South Second Street and Washington Street. 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, Kenny White with the Street Department requesting approval of the lowest and best quote for milling pavement on East Church Street. Two (2) quotes were received. The first quote was from Murphe Paving at the rate of 5.61 per unit. The second quote was from WG Construction at the rate of 4.25 per unit. Alderman Williams made a motion to accept the lowest and best quote from WG Construction at the rate of 4.25 per unit. 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 of the lowest and best quote for East Lake Street drainage. Two (2) quotes were received. The first quote was from Eubank Construction in the amount of \$143,320.00. The second quote was from Phillips Contracting in the amount of \$270,300.00. Alderman Lauderdale made a motion to table this discussion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration the request by Chief Ramey to increase the pay of Brandon Wright and Drew Copeland now that they had finished the police academy, retroactive to July 1, 2023, to \$17.20 per hour. Said Motion was made by Alderman Lauderdale and seconded by Alderman Hicks and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

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There next came on for consideration the request to Closed session to determine if executive session is required for issue in General Government. Said Motion was made by Alderman Lauderdale and seconded by Alderman Miller 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. Said motion was made by Alderman Lauderdale and seconded by Alderman Hicks and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

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

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

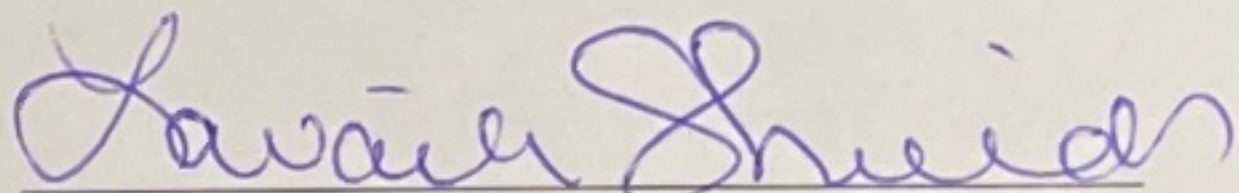
There next came on for consideration the request to Closed session to determine if executive session is required for issue in General Gas and Water. Said Motion was made by Alderman Hicks and seconded by Alderman Lauderdale and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

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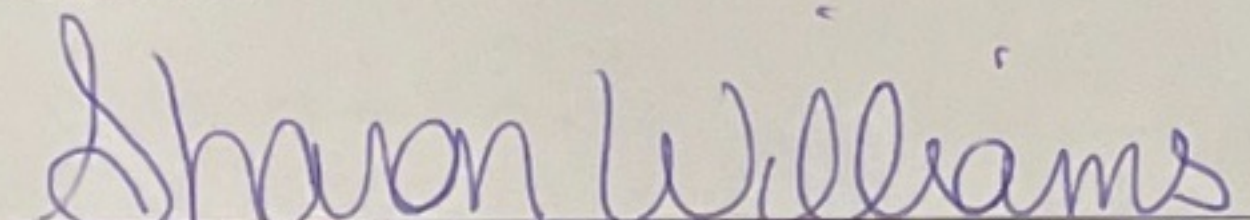
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With there being no other business before the Board, Alderman Lauderdale made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.


LAVAILE SHIELDS, MAYOR PRO TEM

ATTEST:


SHARON WILLIAMS, CITY CLERK