

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR  
AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF BOONEVILLE  
NOVEMBER 5, 2013**

BE IT REMEMBERED that the regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Booneville, Mississippi was held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013, at the City Hall at 7:00 p.m., the time and place for said meeting.

Those in attendance were the following members of the Board: Alderman David Bolen, Alderman Harold Eaton, Alderman Mark McCoy, Alderman Jason Michael, and Alderman Jeff Williams. Also, present were Daniel K. Tucker, City Attorney, Lavaile Shields, City Clerk, and several City employees and visitors. The meeting was called to order in open session by Mayor Blythe and a quorum was declared present.

The invocation was given by Alderman Jeff Williams.

The pledge of allegiance was led by City Attorney Daniel K. Tucker.

There first came on for consideration, the request to approve the consent agenda. The items on the consent agenda were as follows:

- (1) To approve the minutes of the October 15, 2013 and October 17, 2013 board meetings;
- (2) To approve the monthly accounts;
- (3) To approve signing Minority Resolution for Small Municipal and Limited Population County Grant;
- (4) Replacing Jana Lindsey with Amanda Bland to attend the 2013 Winter Education Conference on December 18 through December 20, 2013 in Jackson, Mississippi with the costs to include meals, lodging, registration, and gas card;
- (5) To approve paying the Northeast Mississippi Planning and Development District \$600.00 for writing two (2) AFG grants for the Fire Department.

Alderman Michael made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request by the Mayor, to not purchase him a vehicle, and to use the money to improve City Hall. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the opening and approval of bids for annual supplies.

A bid was received by Jumper Oil Company for gasoline. Regular gasoline was \$2.94 per

gallon, unleaded gasoline was \$3.24 per gallon, and premium gasoline was \$3.44 per gallon. Alderman Bolen made a motion to approve said bids, seconded by Alderman McCoy, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a bid was received by Jumper Oil Company, for the diesel fuel prices, in the amount of \$3.44 per gallon. Alderman Williams made a motion to approve the bid of Jumper Oil Company, seconded by Alderman Michael, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, B & B Concrete submitted a bid for concrete for 3000 lbs PSI in the amount of \$92.90 per cubit yard; 3500 lbs PSI in the amount of \$94.20 per cubit yard; and 4000 lbs PSI in the amount of \$96.90 per cubit yard. Alderman Williams made a motion to approve the bids of B & B Concrete, seconded by Alderman Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for discussion, Ronnie Johnson with Public Properties, discussing the foundation expert's opinion on the City Hall front steps. Drawings would be obtained, before it would be placed out for bids.

There next came on for discussion purposes, the price to repair the roof at City Hall and The Gas & Water Department. With the City doing the labor, materials would cost \$8,400.00 for City Hall and \$8,704.00 for The Gas & Water Department.

Next, Ronnie Johnson discussed the proposed Rental Property Ordinance and requested that the Board look into this further.

Next, Ronnie Johnson entered his resignation due to health reasons. Alderman Williams made a motion to accept his resignation, seconded by Alderman McCoy, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to post for an emergency temporary hire to fill the position left by Ronnie Johnson, until the full time position could be posted. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Michael, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request by the Gas & Water Department, to purchase a biometric time clock. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Michael, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request from the Gas & Water Department to open an account for the Meter Replacement Program, per PSC recommendations. Alderman Bolen made said

motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to purchase a computer for Solid Waste Data Tracking. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Michael, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve increase fees in the Gas System, with the exception of customers that had previously signed a petition for the current requested extension areas. Alderman Michael made a motion to approve the increases, seconded by Alderman McCoy, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried. Attached is the schedule of the increased fees.

There next came on for consideration, the request by Fire Chief Jerry Wallace, to attend the Mid-Winter Chief's Conference at Brandon, Mississippi on January 22-January 24, 2014, with the costs to include membership fees, registration, lodging and meals in the amount of \$452.50, plus the use of the gas card. Alderman Bolen made said motion, seconded by Alderman Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request by Fire Chief Wallace to purchase six (6) face shields at \$41.00 each, for a total of \$246.00 and six (6) pair of structure firefighters gloves at \$70.00 each, for a total of \$420.00. Alderman Michael made a motion to purchase these items, seconded by Alderman Bolen, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to allow Ty Weatherbee to donate sick leave days to David Hagemen, due to illness described by physician as being potentially life threatening. Alderman Eaton made said motion, seconded by Alderman McCoy, and the following vote was had:

Alderman Bolen	"Aye,"
Alderman Eaton	"Aye,"
Alderman McCoy	"Aye,"
Alderman Michael	"Nay,"
Alderman Williams	"Nay."

With a vote of three (3) for and two (2) against, the motion carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to table a request for purchase of a 911 console in dispatch at the costs of \$15,000.00. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Michael, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to send Amber Cummings to the Mississippi Board of Minimum Standards and Training Class for crisis call handling, to be held on December 2, 2013, at the Horseshoe Hotel and Casino, in Tunica, Mississippi. Tuition would be \$150.00, hotel \$75.00, and meals \$41.00, for a total of \$266.00. The tuition of \$150.00 will be reimbursed by the State. Alderman Michael made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request by Police Chief Michael Ramey to purchase a 2008 Crown Victoria, with 56,000 miles, at the price of \$7,950.00. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to hire Taylor Walker, as a part-time dispatcher and reserve officer at \$8.00 per hour, effective immediately. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Michael, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to grant the final resolution for granting the ad valorem tax exemption request, for Acco Brands. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for discussion purposes, the uniform contract with Unifirst.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve the Bond Issue Paying Agent Agreement. Alderman Michael made said motion, seconded by Alderman McCoy, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request by Feed My Sheep Outreach Ministry, to use the Eastside Community Center free of charge on November 23, 2013, from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. They would be feeding needy individuals a Thanksgiving meal. Alderman Bolen made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request by Peggy Searcy to rent the Booneville Hardware Building on 2th and 4th Monday of each month, for dulcimer lessons, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Alderman William made a motion to table this matter, seconded by Alderman Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the appointment of the position of the Housing Authority.

Dwight Hastings and Michael Garvin had put in for the position. The following vote was had:

Alderman Bolen "Michael Garvin,"

Alderman Eaton "Michael Garvin,"

Alderman McCoy "Michael Garvin,"

Alderman Michael "Michael Garvin,"

Alderman Williams "Dwight Hastings."

With a vote of four (4) for and receiving the majority, Michael Garvin was reappointed to the Housing Authority.

There next came on for consideration, the request to appoint a Planning Board Member. Greg Windham received votes from all Aldermen and was unanimously appointed.

There next came on the Board Report. Alderman Bolen, The Board, and Mayor Blythe congratulated Booneville High School Band for winning the State Band Competition.

Next, Alderman Michael wanted to thank everyone for the successful Fall Festival that was recently held.

Next, Alderman McCoy made a motion that anyone, not a department head or not on call, with the exception of Josh Davis, to park their City vehicles and not be driving them home. Said motion was seconded by Alderman Michael, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on the Mayor's Report. Mayor Blythe reported that Perry Edge would be holding a surplus auction in the month of November, and if the department heads had any surplus items, to get them on the next agenda to be declared surplus.

Next, Mayor Blythe reported that he wanted to see more police officers on patrol.

Alderman Eaton made a motion to go into closed session to determine if an executive session was needed, seconded by Alderman Bolen, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

While in closed session, it was determined that an executive session was needed. Alderman Williams made a motion to go into executive session, seconded by Alderman Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Alderman Bolen made a motion to go back into open session, seconded by Alderman Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Back in open session, a recommendation was received that Tonesha Shinault receive a ninety (90) day probationary period, a one week suspension, and any further write ups would lead to

termination. Alderman Michael made said motion, seconded by Alderman Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Alderman McCoy made a motion to go into closed session to determine if an executive session was needed, seconded by Alderman Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

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Alderman Bolen made a motion to go back into open session, seconded by Alderman Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Back in open session, it was announced that a personnel matter with the Police Department had been discussed with no action taken.

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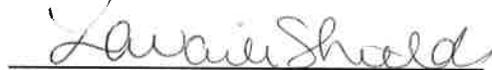
Alderman McCoy made a motion to go back into open session, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Back in the open session, it was announced that a real estate transaction was discussed with no action taken.

There being no further business, Alderman Bolen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman McCoy, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

  
DERRICK R. BLYTHE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
LAVAILE SHIELDS, CITY CLERK