

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE CITY OF BOONEVILLE
JUNE 19, 2012**

BE IT REMEMBERED that the regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Booneville, Mississippi was held on Tuesday, June 19, 2012, at the City Hall at 7:00 p.m., the time and place for said meeting.

Those in attendance were Mayor Joe Eaton and the following members of the Board: Alderman David Bolen, Alderman Harold Eaton, Alderman Wilda Pounds, 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 Eaton and a quorum was declared present.

The invocation was given by Attorney Daniel K. Tucker.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Alderman Wilda Pounds.

There First came before the Board, the consent agenda. The items on the consent agenda were as follows:

- (1) To approve the minutes of the June 5, 2012 meeting;
- (2) To approve revising the minutes of the March 20, 2012, minutes to declare surplus funds of \$132,747.80 in the gas department, and to transfer the same to the general fund;
- (3) To approve Amanda Bland attending the Mississippi Tax Collector Education and Certification Training at Oxford, Mississippi, from July 30 through August 3, 2012, with the cost of registration of \$150.00;
- (4) To reimburse James Olive, for his phone cover protector at \$49.99.

Alderman Pounds made the motion to approve the items on the consent agenda, seconded by Alderman Harold Eaton, and with the members of the Board present and voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request for the Board to approve the Board action taken at the recessed meeting on September 30, 2011, which was to approve the amended budget for 2011. Alderman Bolen made said motion, seconded by Alderman Pounds, and with the members of the Board present and voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Alderman McCoy entered the meeting at this time.

There next came on for consideration, a variance request from Dr. Dennis, who would like a variance to build a covered loading and unloading drive through on the Eastside of his building. He needs a variance changing the required set back from 25' to 0'. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Harold 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 City Attorney Daniel K. Tucker, for the Board to approve a resolution, directing that the property located at 203 Parker Drive, be sold by the City Tax Collector for the City of Booneville, to satisfy the lien of \$3,404.02, which represented money spent by the City, for having previously cleaned said property or removing dilapidated buildings and for the Tax Collector to sell the land to satisfy the lien, as now provided by law for the

sale of land for delinquent municipal taxes. 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 City Attorney Daniel K. Tucker, for the Board to approve the resolution, directing that the property located at 108 Terry Street, be sold by the City Tax Collector for the City of Booneville, to satisfy the lien of \$3,075.00, which represented money spent by the City, for having previously cleaned said property or removing dilapidated buildings and for the Tax Collector to sell the land to satisfy the lien, as now provided by law for the sale of land for delinquent municipal taxes. Alderman Williams 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, public hearings concerning the clean-up of property. First a public hearing was held on property owned by Jamie Owens, with said property located at 619 Hatchie Street, in Booneville, Mississippi. Proper notice was sent out by sending notice of the hearing, to the property owner's address, as that address is listed on the last tax rolls. The actual property address itself, and by posting the same on the City Hall bulletin board. Alderman McCoy made a motion for the Board to pass a resolution adjudicating the property in its current condition, to be a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community. Alderman Pounds seconded said motion, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Alderman McCoy made a motion that Mr. Jamie Owens be given two (2) weeks to show some progress on the property by cutting the grass, and boarding up any busted windows, and for him to report back at the next Board meeting showing his progress. Also, that he would be given sixty (60) days for the demolition, and to report back as to the progress made on the demolition. Alderman Pounds seconded said motion, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next a public hearing was held concerning the clean up property at 611 Hatchie Street. A notice had been sent to the last name of the property owner listed on the tax rolls, as well as sent to the actual property address and posted on the City bulletin board as required by statute. No one was present or answered for said hearing. Alderman Bolen made a motion to adjudicate the property in its current condition to be a menace to the public health, safety, and welfare of the community, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Alderman McCoy made a motion to get bids to clean said property and to tear down the house located at 611 Hatchie Street, seconded by Alderman Harold Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, the public hearing was held on property owned by George Estell, with said property located at 1202 North College Street in Booneville, Mississippi. Proper notice was sent out by sending notice of the hearing, to the property owner's address, at that address is listed on the last tax

rolls, the actual property address itself, and by posting the same on the City Hall bulletin board. Alderman Pounds made a motion for the Board to pass a resolution adjudicating the property in its current condition, to be a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community. Alderman McCoy seconded said motion, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Alderman Pounds made a motion that Mr. George Estell be given two (2) weeks to show some progress on the property by cutting the grass, and boarding up any busted windows, and for him to report back at the next Board meeting showing his progress. Also, that he would be given sixty (60) days for the demolition, and to report back as to the progress made on the demolition. Alderman McCoy seconded said motion, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, there came on for discussion, burnt out property. A title search is being done on a piece of property which would help us to identify the owner. As soon as that owner was identified, proper notice would be sent out for a public hearing.

There next came on for consideration, the request to ratify the gas rate at \$12.55 per MCF. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Harold 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 advertise for bids, on a used backhoe for the Water Department. Alderman Bolen made said motion, seconded by Alderman Harold 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 advertise for bids on the financing for the backhoe in the amount of \$50,000.00 to \$55,000.00. Alderman Harold Eaton made said motion, seconded by Alderman Pounds, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to declare three (3) working aerators, seven (7) non-working aerators, and a 580K non-working backhoe as surplus. These items came from the waste water treatment plant. Alderman Williams made said motion, 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 take sealed quotes for the sell of the declared surplus items, of the three (3) working aerators, seven (7) non-working aerators, and the 580K non-working backhoe. These would be bid out as separate lots. 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 declare as surplus, forty-five (45) cylinder tanks. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Harold 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 take sealed quotes for the sell of the surplus cylinder tanks. Alderman Pounds made said motion, seconded by Harold Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request for the Gas & Water Department to charge a \$20.00 fee for customers who terminated service, and then reconnected service to the same address within a week (7 days). Alderman Harold Eaton made said motion, seconded by Alderman Pounds, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, David Moore discussed the Northeast entrance signs to be placed up at Northeast, as part of the construction project.

There next came on for consideration, Police Chief Michael Ramey requesting to post for one full-time certified officer. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Harold Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came for consideration, the request to fill the Patrol Captain's position. Sergeant Jerry Peeks, Sergeant Ron Newcomb, and Sergeant Bryan Mayes had applied for the position. Chief Ramey recommended Jerry Peeks for said Patrol Captain's position, which would be effective June 20, 2012. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Harold 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 Chief Ramey to send Brian Parker, to attend the D. A. R. E. Officers Conference in Buchanan, Tennessee from July 9, through July 13, 2012, with the costs to include tuition, lodging, meals, and mileage in the amount of \$807.00, with the City to advance travel costs. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Pounds, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request by Chief Ramey to send Josh Davis to attend the ROCIC Narcotics Investigations Conference, in Birmingham, Alabama, from July 15, through July 18, 2012, with the costs to include tuition, lodging, gas, and meals at \$550.15, with the City to advance travel costs. Alderman Pounds 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 to appoint Roy "Butch" Caldwell, as a Planning Board Member. Alderman Bolen made said motion, seconded by Alderman Harold Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

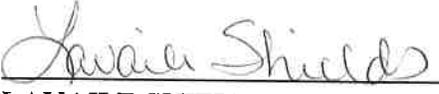
There next came on for consideration, Mayor Eaton reporting that Rita McKissack had requested a work session with their Board and the City Board, to be held on July 24, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded Alderman Pounds, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

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



 JOE EATON, MAYOR

ATTEST:



 LAVAILE SHIELDS, CITY CLERK