

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR  
AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF BOONEVILLE  
JUNE 3, 2014**

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 3, 2014, 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 Jason Michael, Alderman Mark McCoy, 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 David Bolen.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Alderman Mark McCoy.

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 May 20, 2014 and May 27, 2014 board meetings;
- (2) To approve the monthly account;
- (3) To approve Wendall Yates attending MNGA Annual Conference at Orange Beach, Alabama, on July 16-18, 2014. The costs would include lodging, meals, mileage, and registration in the amount of \$1,334.80;
- (4) To approve the Murphy variance;
- (5) To accept Shannon Hester's letter of resignation, effective June 5, 2014, and to allow her to remain on and work part-time at \$8.00 per hour;
- (6) To approve the Rails and Trails payment of \$7,500.00;
- (7) To accept the letter of resignation of Kayla Manley, effective June 13, 2014.

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

There next came before the Board, Todd English, Superintendent for the Booneville Separate School System, explaining to the Board a Petition drive to fund the MAEP Program, commonly known as the Better Schools/Better Jobs.

There next came on before the Board, Bill White expressing his concern about the City having declared his property on South Lake Street, a condemned property.

There next came before the Board, the request by Wendall Yates, to seek quotes for the mini excavator. Alderman Michael made a motion to allow him to seek quotes, seconded by Alderman McCoy, and with all Aldermen present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to hire Chuck Box, as a full time gas technician at \$9.00 per hour. Said motion was made by Alderman Michael, seconded by Alderman Bolen, and the following vote was had:

Alderman Bolen "Aye,"

Alderman Eaton "Aye,"

Alderman McCoy "Nay,"

Alderman Michael "Nay,"

Alderman Williams "Aye."

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

There next came on for consideration, the request by Fire Chief Wallace, to accept a donated clothes washer, from Sandy Fisher, for Station No. 2. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Michael, and with all Aldermen present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request for reappointment of City Attorney, Daniel K. Tucker. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded Alderman McCoy, and with all Aldermen present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request for reappointment of City Engineer David Moore. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with all Aldermen present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve a benefit for Crossroads Church, to be held on August 2, 2014, with said request being made by Betty Ann Ward. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Michael, and with all Aldermen present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve the advalorem tax

exemption by ACCO. Alderman Michael made a motion to table this matter, seconded by Alderman Michael, and with all Aldermen present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve the advalorem tax exemption by Provia LLC, d/b/a Heartland. Alderman Bolem made a motion to approve the advalorem tax exemption, seconded by Alderman Eaton, and with all Aldermen present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on the Board Report. Mayor Blythe announced to the Board, that he had discussed with the Metrocast Cable Company, the availability of the SEC Network coming this Fall. He announced that they were in negotiations with the SEC Network and was hopeful to bring this network to the citizens of Booneville, Mississippi.

There next came on for consideration, the request to post for the bookkeeping position, starting at \$9.00 per hour. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Michael, and with all Aldermen present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next under the Board Report, Mayor Blythe announced that we were having a lot of 5k runs and that we needed to get some type of control over this, because we had two (2) the other day, at the same time.

There next came before the Board, the opening of the bids on the Sidewalk Project. Several bids had been tendered, but the bids would not be voted on, until the next Board meeting. Prairie Construction, LLC bid \$17,00.00. Eubank Construction Company, Inc. bid \$14,500.00. Johnson Builders, LLC bid \$15,358.00. Colom Construction Co., Inc., bid \$15,000.00. JM Duncan, Inc. bid \$18,500.00. The Mayor asked the Board to consider the bids that would be voted on at the next Board meeting.

There next came on for consideration, the request to go into closed session to determine if an executive session was needed. Alderman Eaton made said motion, seconded by Alderman Bolen, and with all Alderman 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 McCoy, and with all Alderman present and voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

After executive session, Alderman McCoy made a motion to go back into open session, seconded by Alderman Eaton, and with all Alderman present and voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Back in open session, it was announced that a personnel matter was discussed within the police department with no action was taken.

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



DERRICK R. BLYTHE, MAYOR

ATTEST:



LAVAILE SHIELDS, CITY CLERK