

REGULAR THIRD TUESDAY DECEMBER 2022, MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN

BE IT REMEMBERED that Tuesday, December 20, 2022, being the third Tuesday of said month and the day fixed by Board order for holding the second monthly meeting, said meeting was held in the Boardroom in the Municipal Complex at 909 River Road in the Town of Tunica, Mississippi, beginning at 3:00 p.m. with the following present or absent as indicated below:

Mayor Andrew T. Dulaney	Present
Alderman Lee B. Turner	Present
Alderman Valerie Hartsfield	Present
Alderman Rebecca P. Fyfe	Present
Alderman Adam Fullilove	Present*
Alderman Daniel M. Pierce	Present
Town Clerk Kate Scott Pennock	Present
Town Attorney Richard W. Ryals, II	Present
Police Chief Kevin Hatton	Present
Operations Manager Thomas J. Robinson, III	Present
Public Works Supervisor Reggie Griffin	Present
Town Chaplain Danny Smith	Present
*Participated via teleconference.	

Others in attendance are listed on the attendance sheet.

APPENDIX A – ATTENDANCE SHEET

Mayor Dulaney called the meeting to order and led in the pledge of allegiance. Chaplain Danny Smith led in prayer.

The Board considered the minutes from the December 6, 2022, meeting. Alderman Pierce moved to approve the minutes as written and previously provided to the Board. Alderman Hartsfield seconded the motion. Thereupon, the matter was put to a vote and the same having received the unanimous affirmative vote of all Aldermen present, the Mayor declared the same carried and adopted.

REPORTS:

- Police Report: Police Chief Hatton reviewed the operations since the last meeting. The new truck should be delivered to the dealership in March and available to the Town in April. Following a review of his report, Chief Hatton was thanked for the information.

- Public Works: Thomas Robinson and Reggie Griffin, reported on public works and other operations. Mr. Robinson and Mr. Griffin discussed the preparations being made for the predicted winter weather and the other work being done around Town. Following their report, they were thanked for the information.
- Tunica Mainstreet: Ms. Withers was unable to attend today's meeting.
- Code Enforcement: David Graves gave an update on code enforcement issues. Mr. Graves was thanked for the information.

Mayor Dulaney next recognized Ms. Audrey Smith. Ms. Smith discussed developing a list of senior citizens who live in Tunica. Once the list is developed, the seniors can be surveyed to see what their interest are and what the Town can do to facilitate assisting them. Ms. Smith was thanked for her input. Mayor Dulaney recommended that each Alderman give the idea some thought and consider designating an individual from each Ward to be a committee to develop the data base and work on project. The matter will be considered at the Board's January, 2023 meeting.

The Mayor and Board of Alderman discussed and considered approving the engineering contract with Neel-Schaffer, Inc. for an addition to the fire station or for the construction of a separate facility immediately north of the existing facility. The Board has previously discussed that a separate facility will most likely be the best solution. However, the engineer will evaluate all options and make a recommendation to the Board. The addition will house the new firetruck which the Board has previously approved purchasing. The new truck should be delivered sometime next year. At the Board's November 1, 2022, meeting, the Board approved a contract with Neel-Schaffer, Inc. for engineering and related services for the addition. Mayor Dulaney advised that the contract has now been negotiated. A copy was provided to the Board at the meeting. Alderman Hartsfield moved that an engineering contract with Neel-Schaffer, Inc. for the fire station expansion project be authorized and approved. Andrew Dulaney, Mayor, shall be and is hereby authorized to execute and deliver the engineering contract for the work. A copy of the executed contract shall be included in the minutes. Alderman Pierce seconded the motion. Thereupon, the matter was put to a vote and the same having received the unanimous affirmative vote of all Aldermen present, the Mayor declared the same carried and adopted.

APPENDIX B – ENGINEERING CONTRACT – FIRE STATION ADDITION

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With no other business, Alderman Turner moved to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Hartsfield seconded the motion. Thereupon, the matter was put to a vote and the same having received the unanimous affirmative vote of all Aldermen present, the Mayor declared the same carried and adopted, and the meeting adjourned this 20th day of December, 2022.

Andrew T. Dulaney, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kate Scott Pennock, Town Clerk

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