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

**June 5, 2018**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the meeting of the Mayor, and the Board of Alderman, of the City of Booneville, Mississippi, was held on Tuesday, June 5, 2018, at 7:00 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: Mayor Chris Lindley, Alderman Mark McCoy, Alderman Jason Michael, Alderman William Scott, Alderman Lisa Stevens, and Alderman Jeff Williams. Also present were City Attorney, Daniel K. Tucker, City Clerk, LaVaile Shields, and several City Employees. The meeting was called to order in open session by Mayor Chris Lindley, and a quorum was declared present.

The invocation was given by Curtis Featherston.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dee Jenkins.

There first came on for consideration, a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda. Those items were as follows:

1. To approve the minutes of the May 15, 2018, Board Meeting;
2. To approve monthly accounts;
3. To approve the correction of the Board minutes of May 1, 2018, specifically the weed eating bids, to reflect the name of Melissa Kinard, instead of Ted Kinard;
4. To approve the acceptance of cash only payments of delinquent taxes at City Hall, after August 1, 2018;
5. To approve the purchase of a NFPA catalog, out of the Fire Code Fund, in the amount of $1,495.00;
6. To approve the tax summons letter from Sherriff Randy Tolar, approving the City of Booneville’s Police Department to serve the delinquent tax notices;
7. To approve payment to McCarty King Construction in the amount of $109,102.80;
8. To approve payment to Cook Coggin Engineers, Inc. in the amount of $17,957.94;
9. To approve Lexie Gamble’s attendance at the MMSA Luncheon on Jun 21, 2018, in Jackson, MS, with the cost being $333.26, including miles and lodging;
10. To declare surplus funds in the Gas Department in the amount of $146,526.53, and transfer said surplus funds to the General Fund;
11. To approve payment to First Security Bank in the amount of $146,526.53, for the Public Improvement Bond.

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

Next, Dee Jenkins, came before the Board with an update on the Northeast Mississippi Boys and Girls Club.

Next, Leigh Hood, gave an update on the Library.

There next came before the Board, Lexie Gamble, giving an update on the Tourism Department.

Next, Lexie Gamble requested that the Board pay Hunter Thompson, to prepare and maintain the Booneville City and Booneville Main Street websites with the cost over a period of three years to be $1,270.90, and to approve Hunter Thompson’s consulting rate, when needed, in the amount of $20.00 per hour. Alderman Scott made said motion, seconded by Alderman Stevens, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve a conditional zoning ordinance change for Farmers & Merchants Bank for property located at 1700 South 2nd St., bearing PPIN number #21011. It is currently commercial but would revert to residential if the sale of the property takes place. If the sale falls through, it would remain commercial. If the current sale does not take place, then all steps to get the property rezoned would have to be performed again. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

There next came before the Board, the request to hire three seasonal employees, with James Olive recommending Robert Penrose, Robert Edmond, and Trace Sparks, at the rate of $8.00 per hour. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, James Olive requesting that he be allowed to hire William Rowan as a seasonal mosquito sprayer, at the rate of $8.00 per hour. Alderman Michael made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request by James Olive to post for a truck driver. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Scott, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Jon Hill, with the Park Department, requesting Board approval for the agreement with Outdoor Link, that would allow control of the lights on the baseball and softball fields, through a mobile telephone and application. The cost would be $4,766.25 and would be paid from the Park Department’s part of the Tourism revenues. The city would pay $90.00 per month as a maintenance fee for the application, and the agreement would have to be approved yearly. Alderman McCoy made a motion to approve the request, conditioned on surge protectors being installed as part of this agreement, seconded by Alderman Stevens and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, David Moore, with the request to approve the Jacinto Road sewer project and the West Chambers Drive sewer project, specifically that he be allowed to spec, advertise, and bid for said jobs. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Scott, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to table the matter of increasing water rates. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Scott, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve the agreement with Booneville Manor, to switch from a master meter to individual meters. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Michael and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to accept and approve bids for the repair of the 2011 Ford Ranger. Three estimates received were as follows: Booneville Collision, $3,237.42; Booneville Auto Sales, $3,223.70; and Kendrick Auto, $2,867.61. Alderman Williams made a motion to approve the low bid from Kendrick Auto, in the amount of $2,687.61, seconded by Alderman Michael, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Fire Chief Rutherford, requesting that he be allowed to hire Jeremy Childress and Jacob McVey, as full-time firefighters at the rate of $9.25 per hour, with a $.50 cent raise, with their completion of the academy. For purposes of seniority for vacation, Jeremy Childers had placed his application first and would be considered having seniority. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Scott, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Police Chief, Michael Ramey, requesting that he be allowed to post for two sergeant positions. Alderman McCoy made a motion to approve the same, seconded by Alderman Stevens, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve Bulldog Construction

Company to fix the steps at City Hall, for the price of $3,262.50. Alderman Williams made a motion to approve said action if Bulldog Construction would agree that there would be no damage to the current structure, and that they would repair the same, if damage occurred. Alderman Michael seconded the motion, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to lower the adoption fees at the animal shelter. Adoption fees would be lowered to $15.00 for cats and $20.00 for dogs. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Stevens, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for discussion, the grandfathered property on Old Marietta Road, specifically concerning maintaining livestock, farm animals and/or other animals. The Board stated that the Grandfather provision follows the original owner and not any other owner thereafter, regardless if they were heirs who inherited the property or subsequent purchasers.

There next came on for discussion, the directional flow of traffic for downtown streets involved in the improvement project. The Board determined that there would be an upcoming work session to discuss this before any action was taken.

With there being no other business before the Board, Alderman Stevens made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

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CHRIS LINDLEY, MAYOR

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LAVAILE SHIELDS, CITY CLERK