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

**May 15, 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, May 15, 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 Brother Casey Jackson, of Gaston Baptist Church.

 The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Chris Lindley.

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 1, 2018, Board Meeting;
2. To approve payment to McCarty King Construction for the Downtown Improvement Project, in the amount of $84,980.66;
3. To approve payment to Cook Coggin Engineers, Inc. for the Downtown Improvement Project, in the amount of $22,132.03;
4. To approve to pay refund to Robbye Groves in the amount of $50.00;
5. To approve Cindy Steward, Curtis Featherston, and Chuck Boxx to attend the MS Natural Gas Association Conference on July 10-13, 2018. Costs include lodging, meals and registration, approximate cost $2,630.10;
6. Approve rental agreement with Pitney Bowes for 60 months in the amount of $61.57 from 9/30/18-9/30/23.

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

 There next came before the Board, Seirrah McGee, with Tractor Supply Company, who gave an update on the Market Day Event. She reported that the event was a success.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve the application from Marathon Cheese Corp. for ad valorem tax exemption. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman McCoy, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve the application from ProVia Products, LLC, for ad valorem tax exemption. Alderman Stephens made a motion to approve this request, seconded by Alderman Scott, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request by Fire Chief Michael Rutherford, to post to hire two full-time fire fighters. Alderman Scott made said motion, seconded by Alderman Michael, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

Next, was the Board report.

Under the Board report, Alderman Williams made a motion to approve a caution light to be placed at the intersection of Jacinto Road and Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, contingent upon permission of the land owners to set poles and guide wires. Said motion was seconded by Alderman McCoy, and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Alderman McCoy discussed the possibility of a work session being called to revisit the rental/housing codes and ordinances.

Next, there came on for consideration, the Mayor’s report. Under the Mayor’s report, Mayor Lindley requested that the Board approve a voting delegate and alternate for the MML 2018 election. Alderman Williams made a motion that Mayor Lindley be the voting delegate, and that Alderman Lisa Stephens be the alternate voting delegate, seconded by Alderman Scott,

and with the Alderman present voting “Aye”, the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Mayor Lindley gave an update on the Downtown Improvement Project, reporting that it was about half-way finished.

 With there being no other business before the Board, Alderman Michael made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman McCoy, 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