

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR  
AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF WESSON, MISSISSIPPI  
MARCH 1, 2016  
6:00 P.M.**

**The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Wesson, Mississippi, was held at 6:00 o'clock P.M., on Tuesday, January 5, 2016 in City Hall. The following were present:**

**Alton Shaw, Mayor  
Ric Crockett, Alderman-at-Large  
Mike Douglas, Alderman Ward I  
John Welter, Alderman Ward II  
Mike King, Alderman Ward IV  
Jeff Varas, City Attorney  
Linda Dykes, City Clerk**

**Absent: Alderman Mike Douglas**

**Mayor Shaw called the meeting to order. Alderman Ellison opened the meeting with prayer. The first item of business was to approve the Agenda for the March 1, 2016 meeting. Alderman Welter moved to approve the Agenda. Alderman King seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.**

**Mayor Shaw presented the Minutes of the February 5, 2016 regular meeting. Alderman Ellison moved the minutes be approved. Alderman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.**

**The February claims were presented for approval. Alderman Crockett moved to approve the claims. Alderman King seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.**

**Mayor Shaw discussed the water tank at Co-Lin that needs to be painted and repaired. Lt. Governor Tate Reeves had been instrumental in getting the Town a \$250,000.00 grant to use on the water tank. Mayor Shaw called for a motion to enter into a professional services agreement with WGK Engineers for the water tank. Alderman Welter moved to enter into the contract. Alderman Crockett seconded the motion. The motion passed.**

**A travel policy was tabled until some guidelines for travel could be gotten from the State.**

**Mayor Shaw announced the Copiah County Clean-up Kick-off Rally will be held April 9, at 10:00 am at the Library Pavilion. Civic groups are invited to come and participate in the Rally. The Clean-up date will be Saturday April 16. This year there will be two dumpsters at the old Sunflower building to handle collection of trash.**

**The Board heard from the Zoning Committee on several issues. Jeff Knight, Chairman of the committee, presented the recommendations as follows:**

- 1. A request of William Hayes for property located at 1106 Grove Street that he be allowed to place a second mobile home on his property. Mr. Hayes request was modified to be allowed to remove the existing mobile home and replace it with a new mobile home that is less than 5 years old. Mr. Hayes acknowledged the required property set back dimensions and will comply with same. No action was required by the Mayor and Board of Alderman.**
- 2. Request of Mr. Larry Ashley of 1046 Main Street to be granted a variance to the sign ordinance to allow Ashley to place an offsite sign on property he owns south of and on the east side of the intersection of Old Hwy 51 and Hwy 51. The zoning committee recommends that the Mayor and Wesson Chamber of Commerce coordinate on ideas for a Wesson Business directory type sign that would list all merchants desiring same be allowed in this vicinity. Ashley agreed with this recommendation and will wait until next month to pursue a variance allowing time for the Mayor and Chamber to come up with viable alternatives. No action is required from the Mayor and Board of Alderman at this time.**
- 3. A request of Bobby Roth for property located at 1053A Well Street for permission to move a mobile home to this location and place it behind his house until he sells the house, then he**

would move the mobile home out of the City limits. Since this is not allowed by the Zoning Ordinance, Mr. Roth stated he would make other arrangements therefore no action was required by the Mayor and Board of Alderman.

4. A request of Will Turnbo for property located at 1021 Collier Street to demolish and remove the vacant home on this lot and be allowed to construct an approximate 30 foot square pole shed on the rear of the subject property. This is a two part request with two suggestions from the zoning committee. First the Zoning Committee recommends Turnbo be issued a free demolition permit for the existing home and be given 90 days for the demolition and removal. Secondly the request for the pole shed appears to meet the minimum requirements of the zoning ordinance and the Zoning Committee suggests Turnbo be issued a normal building permit with the previously established permit fee required. Turnbo indicated the construction will comply with the established lot line set back dimensions.

Mayor Shaw called for a motion to accept the recommendations of the Zoning Committee. Alderman Crockett moved to accept the recommendations. Alderman Ellison seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

There being no further business currently at hand, Alderman Welter moved the meeting adjourn until April 4, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 1011 Spring Street, Wesson, MS. Alderman King seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

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Mayor Alton Shaw

ATTESTED:

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Linda Dykes, City Clerk