

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR  
AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN  
OF WESSON, MISSISSIPPI  
February 7, 2017  
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, February 7, 2017 in the Wesson City Hall. The following were present:

**Alton Shaw, Mayor  
Ric Crockett, Alderman-at-Large  
John A. Welter, Jr., Alderman Ward II  
Billy Ellison, Alderman Ward III  
Jeff Varas, Municipal Judge  
Linda Dykes, Municipal Clerk**

**Absent: Alderman Mike Douglas, Ward I  
Alderman Mike King, Ward IV**

Mayor Shaw called the meeting to order. Alderman Crockett opened the meeting with prayer. The first item of business was to approve the agenda for the meeting. Alderman Welter moved to approve the February 7, 2017 agenda. Alderman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The minutes of the January 3, 2017 regular meeting were adopted on a motion by Alderman Crockett. Alderman Ellison seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Mayor Shaw presented the January Claims for approval. After discussion of the claims, Alderman Ellison moved the claims be approved. Alderman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Van Graham had made a request to close Fifth Street and Sixth Street to Orient Street from Long Street. After discussion, Alderman Ellison moved to close the unopened portions of these streets. Alderman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Chuck Busby, Director of X-Ray, with the new Copiah County Medical Center shared with the Mayor and Board as well as those and those attending the meeting about the opening of the new hospital. He also invited everyone to the grand opening of the new facility on February 14, from 3-6 p.m.

Chief O'Quinn addressed the Board for approval to move Tim Stephens from part-time to full-time. Alderman Ellison moved for the change in status. Alderman Welter seconded the motion. Chief O'Quinn then requested Troy Floyd be moved from full-time to part-time. Alderman Crockett moved for the change in status. Alderman Ellison seconded the motion. Both motions were approved unanimously. O'Quinn announced that Stephens and Chad Harveston would be attending police training in Morgan City, LA. O'Quinn also stated that he was talking to Lincoln County Sherriff, Steve Rushing about trading the charger and 2 crown vics for a 2009 ford sedan.

Mayor Shaw discussed purchasing a splash pad for the Park. Raindeck had given the Mayor a quote of \$12,238.00. The Town employees would install the pad. Alderman Crockett moved to purchase the splash pad. Alderman Welter seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Mayor Shaw also stated that Central MS Planning and Development would be updating the website and app. This may be ready for a presentation at the March meeting.

There being no further business currently at hand, Alderman Ellison moved to adjourn the meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderman until Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the City Hall. Alderman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

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**ALTON SHAW, MAYOR**

**ATTESTED:**

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**LINDA DYKES, MUNICIPAL CLERK**