

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN
OF WESSON, MISSISSIPPI

April 3, 2018
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, April 3, 2018 in the Wesson City Hall. The following were present:

Alton Shaw, Mayor
Stephen Ashley, Alderman-at-Large
Larry Hall, Ward I
Jarrad Ashley, Alderman Ward II
Billy Ellison, Alderman Ward III
Mike King, Alderman Ward IV
Jeff Varas, City Attorney
Angela Hester, City Clerk

Mayor Shaw called the meeting to order. Alderman Ellison opened the meeting with a prayer. The first item of business was to approve the agenda for the meeting. Alderman Hall moved to approve the April 3, 2018 agenda. Alderman J. Ashley seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The minutes of the March 6, 2018 regular meeting were set in to motion by Alderman Hall. Alderman Ellison seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

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

Police Chief O'Quinn requested to move Officer Harveston from full time position to part time. Alderman J. Ashley made a motion to move Officer Harveston from full time to a part time position. Alderman Hall seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Police Chief O'Quinn requested to hire Paul Rejon as a part time officer. Alderman Ellison made a motion to hire Paul Rejon as a part time officer. Alderman S Ashley seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Police Chief O'Quinn requested an offer be put in to Co-Lin on a Crown Victoria Car for the use of a police car. Alderman Ellison made a motion to put a \$100 offer into Colin for the crown Victoria car. Alderman S Ashley seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Mayor Shaw discussed the public and safety hazard on the properties of Carolyn Roberts on Cotton Street and the property of Darrell Hamilton on Pine Street. Alderman Ellison seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Mayor Shaw discussed raising sewer rates from 85% to 90% to help fund purchasing an excavator for the street and water department. Alderman King made a motion to have a hearing at next board meeting on raising sewer rates to help fund the purchase of an excavator. Alderman S. Ashley seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The Board of Alderman adopted a resolution for a maintenance plan of action on the \$240,000 ADA improvement CDBG grant for the Library.

Mayor Shaw requested a court form for Indigency be passed to every new defendant to fill out before court. Alderman King made a motion to use a new court form for indigency. Alderman Hall seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Mayor Shaw requested a 50% discount rate on the base rate for the Old School rental for Non-profit organizations. The board would like to discuss with the Old School Committee on the request before deciding on the discount rate.

The Chamber of Commerce requested closing Spring Street and Beech Street on April 27 starting at 5:30 p.m. through April 28 at midnight for the Annual Founder's Day Celebration. Alderman Hall made a motion to close Spring and Beech street on April 27 through April 28 for Founder Day Celebration. Alderman King seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The Board discussed paving the park entrance and parking area along with closing the end of the street due to safety hazards for park visitors. The Board did not decide on the matter.

There being no further business currently at hand, Alderman Hall moved to adjourn the meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderman until Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Alderman J. Ashley seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

ALTON SHAW, MAYOR

ATTESTED:

ANGELA HESTER, CITY CLERK