

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF PEARL RIVER
CITY OF POPLARVILLE**

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Poplarville, Pearl River County, Mississippi, met in said city at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 5th day of October, 2021, with the following officials present in the Board Room: Mayor Louise Smith, Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr. Alderman Byron L. Wells was absent from the meeting.

City Clerk Jane O'Neal and City Attorney Gregory Holcomb were also present in the Board Room.

Police Chief Daniel L. Collier, Public Works Superintendent Sam Hale and Deputy Fire Chief Jason Mitchell were present in the Board Room. Fire Chief Jason Bannister and Code Enforcement Officer Kolby Davis were absent from the meeting.

Alderman Daniel H. Brown opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Louise Smith recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

A media representative was invited to the meeting to report the proceedings in the local newspaper, and was present in the Board Room. The meeting was livestreamed on Facebook.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED

Upon motion by Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderman Bobby Nestle, the Board voted to adopt the agenda as presented. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
Those Voting Nay: None
Those Not Voting: None
Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2021 MINUTES: REGULAR MEETING

Upon motion by Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderman Bobby Nestle, the Board voted to approve the circulated Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 21, 2021. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
Those Voting Nay: None
Those Not Voting: None
Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 MINUTES: SPECIAL MEETING

Upon motion by Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderman Bobby Nestle, the Board voted to approve the circulated Minutes of the Special Meeting held on September 30, 2021. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
Those Voting Nay: None
Those Not Voting: None
Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

EXTENSION OF EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION DECLARATION THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATED TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC TO REMAIN IN EFFECT

Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. Section 33-15-17, as amended, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen shall review its March 17, 2020, Emergency Proclamation that declared the existence of a local emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Upon motion by Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith and second by Alderman Daniel H. Brown the Board voted to extend the current Emergency Declaration until the next regularly-scheduled meeting on October 19, 2021, at which time it will again be reviewed by the Board of Alderman. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
Those Voting Nay: None
Those Not Voting: None
Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

CLAIMS DOCKET

Upon motion by Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderman Bobby Nestle, the Board voted to approve the Claims Docket in the amount of \$72,139.11. A copy of the Claims Docket is attached hereto. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
Those Voting Nay: None
Those Not Voting: None
Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

PROCLAMATION: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

The Gulf Coast Center for Non-Violence, requested that the City declare the month of October, 2021, as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Upon motion by Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderman Bobby Nestle, the Board voted to proclaim the month of October, 2021 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. A copy of the Proclamation is attached hereto. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
Those Voting Nay: None
Those Not Voting: None
Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AT/NEAR US HWY 11 AND LARKIN I. SMITH DRIVE

Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith discussed traffic accidents occurring at/near US HWY 11 and Larkin I. Smith Drive, and conveyed that she and the Mayor had requested that the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MSDOT) perform a traffic study within the area. No action was taken.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENTAL REPORT

Superintendent Hale provided an overview of recent work activity.

The Walker Associates, PLLC, represented by Jason Lamb, Engineer, previously discussed the projects below, and discussions continued regarding setting priorities for street maintenance as it relates to planning and funding. No action was taken.

- North Main Street -- Sewer Trench Failure
- North Jackson Street -- Failed Culvert Requiring Replacement
- W. North Street -- Failed Sidewalk at Box Culvert
- Asphalt Paving and Maintenance (City-wide)
- Automated Meter Readers (All connections)
- Water System Improvements - HWY 26 West

- Water System Improvements -- Buck Kirkland at HWY 53
- Water System Improvements – Old Wiggins HWY

**CITY ATTORNEY TO SEND 30-DAY WRITTEN NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
OF THE 2021-2022 CITY CEMETERY MAINTENANCE CONTRACT**

Upon motion by Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderman Bobby Nestle, the Board voted to have the City Attorney send a written Notice of Cancellation of the City Cemetery maintenance contract to Mr. Walter McGinty, dba McGinty Enterprises. A copy of the Notice of Cancellation is attached hereto. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith
 Those Voting Nay: Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
 Those Not Voting: None
 Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

**CITY ATTORNEY TO SEND 30-DAY WRITTEN NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
OF THE 2021-2022 FOREST LAWN CEMETERY MAINTENANCE CONTRACT**

Upon motion by Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderman Bobby Nestle, the Board voted to have the City Attorney to send written Notice of Cancellation of the Forest Lawn Cemetery maintenance contract to Mr. Walter McGinty, dba McGinty Enterprises. A copy of the Notice of Cancellation is attached hereto. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith
 Those Voting Nay: Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
 Those Not Voting: None
 Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR 2021-2022 CITY CEMETERY MAINTENANCE BIDS

Upon motion by Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderman Bobby Nestle, the Board voted to authorize the City Clerk to advertise in *The Poplarville Democrat* on October 14, 2021 and October 21, 2021, for bids for the performance of lawn care/maintenance services needed to maintain City Cemetery. The bids must be submitted by November 15, 2021, at 5:00 p.m., and once awarded; the contract will be for a period of one-year. A copy of the publication is attached. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
 Those Voting Nay: None
 Those Not Voting: None
 Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR 2021-2022 FOREST LAWN CEMETERY MAINTENANCE BIDS

Upon motion by Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderman Bobby Nestle, the Board voted to authorize the City Clerk to advertise in *The Poplarville Democrat* on October 14, 2021 and October 21, 2021, for the performance of lawn care/maintenance services needed to maintain Forest Lawn Cemetery. The bids must be submitted by November 15, 2021, at 5:00 p.m., and once awarded; the contract will be for a period of one-year. A copy of the publication is attached. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
 Those Voting Nay: None
 Those Not Voting: None
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SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

**DENIED: FOREST LAWN CEMETERY DRIVEWAY
TO BE USED AS SCHOOL BUS TURN-AROUND**

Jason Jones, Transportation Director for the Poplarville School District, requested authorization to use the Forest Lawn Cemetery driveway/entrance as a school bus turn-around. Upon motion by Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderman Bobby Nestle, the Board voted to deny the request made by Jason Jones, Transportation Director for the Poplarville School District, to use the Forest Lawn Cemetery driveway/entrance as a school bus turn-around. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
Those Voting Nay: None
Those Not Voting: None
Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

**POST-APPROVAL TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION:
PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR COLTON KOPSZYWA**

Previously, travel was authorized for Public Works Supervisor, Colton Kopszywa, to attend the Mississippi Rural Water Association's (MRWA) 2021 Water Certification Short Course, September 27-30, 2021, at the Mississippi Rural Water Association's facilities located at 5400 Midway Road, Raymond, MS 39154. MRWA now requires that he travel to the Mississippi Gulf Coast Safety Council facility, 920 Cedar Lake Road, Biloxi, Mississippi, to take the required exam on October 5, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. Upon motion by Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, the Board voted to post-approve Public Works Supervisor Colton Kopszywa's travel to take the required exam on October 5, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. and to be reimbursed for meals and mileage for the use of his personal vehicle. All allowable expenses will be reimbursed at the rate set forth by the Mississippi State Department of Finance and Administration, Office of Purchasing. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
Those Voting Nay: None
Those Not Voting: None
Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

FIRE DEPARTMENT'S DEPARTMENTAL REPORT

In Fire Chief, Jason Bannister's absence, Deputy Fire Chief, Jason Mitchell provided an overview of recent work activity.

**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE PEARL RIVER COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGARDING FIRE PROTECTION FOR
LANDLOCKED AREAS WITHIN THE CITY**

On August 17, 2021, the Board of Aldermen authorized the Fire Chief to enter into an interlocal agreement with the Pearl River County Board of Supervisors regarding fire protection for landlocked areas within the City. (The City is awaiting the document for review, and final approval.) No action was taken.

NATIONAL INCIDENT-BASED REPORTING SYSTEM (NIBRS) COMPLIANCE

Police Chief Daniel L. Collier provided an update with the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the Police Department's progress regarding the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) compliance as it relates to the Pearl River County E-911 System. No action was taken.

ADOPTION OF 2021-2022 OFFICIAL FEE LIST

Upon motion by Alderman Bobby Nestle and second by Alderman Daniel H. Brown, the Board voted to adopt the City's Official Fee List for the FY Ending September 30, 2022. A copy is attached hereto. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
Those Voting Nay: None

Those Not Voting: None
Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

2020-2021 MUNICIPAL COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE

Upon motion of Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderman Bobby Nestle, the Board voted to accept the Municipal Compliance Questionnaire for the FYE September 30, 2021, and to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the document, and for it to be spread upon the official Minutes. A copy is attached hereto. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
Those Voting Nay: None
Those Not Voting: None
Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

2021 SOLID WASTE AUDIT AND ANNUAL REPORT ON SOLID WASTE REVENUE AND EXPENSES TO BE PUBLISHED

Miss. Code § 17-17-347 requires the City to audit the cost of solid waste services, and to inform users of the cost. Miss. Code § 17-17-348 requires municipalities to publish detailed report of solid waste revenues and expenditures. The notice must be published at least once. Upon motion by Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderman Bobby Nestle, the Board voted to authorize the City Clerk to publish the required information in *The Poplarville Democrat* on October 21, 2021. A copy is attached hereto. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
Those Voting Nay: None
Those Not Voting: None
Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

ACKNOWLEDGE DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Upon motion of Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderman Bobby Nestle, the Board voted to acknowledge the Departmental Reports. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
Those Voting Nay: None
Those Not Voting: None
Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

EVENT REQUEST: POPLARVILLE UPPER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GRANDPARENTS' DAY CHORAL PERFORMANCE

Upon motion of Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, the Board voted to approve the request made by The Poplarville Upper Elementary School to conduct a "Grandparents Day Choral Performance" on November 19, 2021, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Town Green/City Square Park. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
Those Voting Nay: None
Those Not Voting: None
Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

ADJOURN

No further business appearing before the next session and upon motion of Alderman Daniel H. Brown and second by Alderman Bobby Nestle, it is So Ordered that this Mayor and Board of Aldermen do now arise and adjourn until Tuesday, October 19, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. The vote was as follows:

Those Voting Aye: Alderman Daniel H. Brown, Alderman Bobby Nestle, Alderwoman Anne Gendusa Smith, Alderman Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
Those Voting Nay: None
Those Not Voting: None
Those Absent: Alderman Byron L Wells

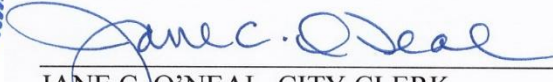
SO ORDERED, on the 5th Day of October, 2021.

MINUTES APPROVED, ON THIS THE 19TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2021.

MAYOR LOUISE SMITH



ATTEST:



JANE C. O'NEAL, CITY CLERK