

### WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER Mayor Will Purdie

# INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Invocation was given by Alderwoman McSparrin. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderwoman Jones.

ROLL CALL City Clerk, Jimmy Baldree

All members were present.

#### APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A - P WITH B REMOVED

Upon <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Wilbanks and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderman Lott, the Board approved consent items A – P with item B removed. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

#### APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEM B

Alderman Wilbanks left the meeting at 6:03 PM and returned to the meeting at 6:04 PM. He did not participate in the discussion of this item and he did not vote on this item. Upon **MOTION** made by Alderwoman Godfrey, and **SECONDED** by Alderwoman Oliver, the Board approved consent item B. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

#### **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT**

Marlee Price-Cook, Director of Communications, reported on social media data, website improvements, and upcoming media campaigns.

#### **DISCUSSION AND REPORTS**

# <u>DISCUSSION/ACTION – APPROVAL OF A GROUND LEASE ASSIGNMENT TO</u> <u>GULF RELAY, LLC</u>

Upon presentation by Josiah Burns, City Attorney, <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Chapman, <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Jones, the Board allowed CrenShaw Investments, LLC to assign

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its interest in a Ground Lease with the City of Clinton, to Gulf Relay, LLC. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

# <u>DISCUSSION/ACTION – APPROVAL OF A CHANGE ORDER RELATED TO THE</u> <u>MCWI FORCE MAIN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT</u>

Upon presentation by Greg Gearhart, P.E., Consulting City Engineer, <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Wilbanks, <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderman Lott, the Board approved Change Order No. 1 related to the MCWI Force Main Improvements project. The cost is \$875,322.81. <u>MOTION</u> CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# <u>DISCUSSION/ACTION – APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE FINAL ESTIMATE PACKAGE</u> <u>AND OTHER DOCUMENTS FOR THE 2024 STBG PAVING IMPROVEMENTS</u>

Upon presentation by Greg Gearhart, P.E., Consulting City Engineer, <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderwoman Oliver, <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderman Wilbanks, the Board approved submitting, upon receipt of Contractors Consent to Final Payment, the final estimate package including the final construction pay request and final CE&I pay request and other documents as required by the MDOT guidelines for STP-0049-00(022) LPA/109650-701000 2024 STBG Paving Improvements. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

### <u>DISCUSSION/ACTION – APPROVAL FOR JOE MCGEE CONSTRUCTION TO</u> REPLACE A BRIDGE GUARDRAIL ON HOOD DRIVE

Upon presentation by Phillip Lilley, Director of Public Works, <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderwoman Godfrey, <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman McSparrin, the Board approved the lowest and best quote from Joe McGee Construction for the replacement of a bridge guardrail on Hood Drive for \$27,445. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

### **EMPLOYMENT ITEMS**

<u>MOTION</u> made by Alderwoman McSparrin, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Jones, the Board approved three promotions within the police department:

- Patrolman Timothy Walker was promoted to Sergeant at a salary of \$26.74 per hour plus benefits.
- Detective Jason Miller was promoted to Sergeant at a salary of \$26.74 per hour plus benefits.

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• Seargeant George Moore was promoted to Lieutenant at a salary of \$29.51 per hour plus benefits.

### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<u>MOTION</u> made by Alderwoman Oliver, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Jones, the Board approved hiring, contingent upon the results of a drug test, Eric Steverson, as a dispatcher for the police department. Salary of \$19.15 per hour plus benefits. <u>MOTION CARRIED</u> <u>UNANIMOUSLY</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Alderwoman Godfrey, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderman Chapman, the Board approved hiring, Marquis Young, as a grounds technician for the parks and recreation department, pending completion of the hiring process. Salary of \$14 per hour plus benefits.

<u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Chapman, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Oliver, the Board approved hiring, contingent upon the results of a drug test, Roderick Thomas, as a truck driver for the public works department. Salary of \$33,800 per year plus benefits. <u>MOTION</u>

<u>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Wilbanks, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderman Lott, the Board closed the Board Meeting at 6:22 PM. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

<u>MOTION</u> made by Alderwoman Oliver, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderman Chapman, the Board entered an Executive Session at 6:22 PM. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Lott, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Jones, the Board terminated Antonio Lacey's employment. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Alderwoman Godfrey, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderman Chapman, the Board voted to amend the fiscal year 2025-2026 budget. \$50,000 will be reallocated from bond proceeds to the economic development budget. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

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<u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Wilbanks, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Oliver, the Board exited the Executive Session at 6:28 PM. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

Upon exiting the executive session Mayor Purdie notified those in attendance that actions were taken to terminate an employee, and to discuss a potential economic development project.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Alderwoman Oliver, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman McSparrin, at 6:30 PM to adjourn until the next regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Clinton, Mississippi to be held November 18, 2025, at 6:00 PM. <u>MOTION CARRIED</u> UNANIMOUSLY

### ADJOURN 6:53 PM

APPROVEI	o: W.C. Phi	11/6/2025
	William C. Purdie, Mayor	Date
ATTEST:	Jimmy Baldree, City Clerk	

**SEAL** 

