

**ADJOURNED MEETING****APRIL 25, 2023**

Pursuant to the adjournment taken, April 18, 2023, the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Batesville reconvened at 2:00 p.m., on April 25, 2023, at the City Hall, 103 College Street, Batesville, Mississippi, when and where were present the following, to-wit: Mayor Hal Ferrell; Aldermen Bobby Walton, Dennis Land, Stan Harrison and Bill Dugger. Also present were: City Attorney Colmon Mitchell; City Clerk Susan Berryhill; Chief Police Kerry Pittman; Assistant Chief of Police George Williford; Assistant Public Works Director Newt Benson and Assistant City Clerk Shonnah Weaver.

A quorum being present, the meeting was duly opened by the Mayor and, the following business was taken up.

**IN OPEN SESSION**

Alderman Harrison moved that the meeting be closed to determine whether or not the Mayor and Board of Aldermen should declare an executive session. Thereafter, upon the affirmative votes of Aldermen Walton, Land, Dugger and Harrison it was ordered that the meeting be closed in order to determine whether or not the Board should declare an executive session.

**IN THE CLOSED MEETING**

Mayor Ferrell announced that the meeting is closed to determine whether or not the Mayor and Board of Aldermen should declare an executive session. Present in the closed meeting were: Mayor Hal Ferrell; Aldermen Land, Harrison, Dugger and Walton; City Attorney Colmon Mitchell; Assistant Public Works Director Newt Benson and Civic Center Director Roy Hyde.

On motion made by Alderman Harrison, seconded by Alderman Dugger, and unanimously carried upon the affirmative votes of Aldermen Land, Walton, Dugger and Harrison it was ordered that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen go into executive session in order to discuss personnel matters at the Batesville Civic Center.

**IN OPEN MEETING**

The Mayor announced that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen will go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters at the Batesville Civic Center and that the total vote on the motion to go into executive session was four (4) aldermen in favor and no aldermen opposed. Those present in the open meeting were Mayor Ferrell; Aldermen Harrison, Land, Dugger and Walton; City Attorney Colmon Mitchell; Assistant Public Works Director Newt Benson and Civic Center Director Roy Hyde.

**IN EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Ferrell announced that the Mayor and Board are in executive session. Those present in executive session were Mayor Ferrell; Aldermen Harrison, Walton, Dugger and Land; City Attorney Colmon Mitchell; and Assistant Public Works Director Newt Benson and Civic Center Director Roy Hyde.

There came on for discussion Roy Hyde's retirement and the personnel at the Civic Center and the need to make certain new hires.

The executive session was concluded and the Mayor and Board went into open meeting.

**IN RE: PERSONNEL MATTERS – CIVIC CENTER**

On motion made by Alderman Harrison, seconded by Alderman Dugger and unanimously carried upon a vote being taken there it was ordered that Roy Hyde be allowed to use his vacation time from July 20, 2023, until he retires on October 31, 2023.

**IN RE: PERSONNAL MATTERS – CIVIC CENTER**

On motion made by Alderman Harrison, seconded by Alderman Land and unanimously carried upon a vote being taken there it was ordered that the City advertise for open positions at the Civic Center by listing the positions on the national search site International Association of Venue Managers as follows with no statement of the amount of the amount of the salary or salary range: two listings for each position for 30 days each at a cost of \$250.00 per listing and the Mayor and Roy Hyde are authorized to take such action as is necessary to effectuate this matter and further ordered that all applications/resumes be sent to the attention of the City Clerk at City Hall.

**IN OPEN MEETING**

The Mayor announced that the Mayor and Board are now in open meeting. Those present were Mayor Ferrell; Aldermen Land, Harrison, Dugger and Walton; City Attorney Colmon Mitchell; and Assistant Public Works Director Newt Benson and Civic Center Director Roy Hyde.

**IN RE: APPROVAL TO RENT TELEVISIONS – CIVIC CENTER**

On motion made by Alderman Dugger, seconded by Alderman Walton and unanimously carried upon a vote being taken there it was ordered that Roy Hyde authorized to rent televisions from Aarons located in the City for an upcoming event at the Civic Center at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.00 (the estimated cost is well below this limit which is placed herein in order to comply with the purchasing laws).

**IN RE: APPROVAL TO INCREASE RENTAL FEE – CIVIC CENTER**

On motion made by Alderman Harrison, seconded by Alderman Land and unanimously carried upon a vote being taken there it was ordered that effective immediately the rent for the Civic Center is \$2,500.00 per calendar day, provided however, that for existing fully executed rental contracts the rent shall be as stated in such contract, and further this new rental amount shall not affect the City's policy of providing legally allowed adjustments to such rent.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned to reconvene at 2:00 o'clock p.m., Tuesday, April 28, 2023, at the City Hall at 103 College Street, Batesville, Mississippi.

In accordance with Section 25-41-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, a notice of said regular meeting has been posted in the City Hall and a copy of said notice follows these minutes.

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Mayor

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Clerk of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen  
Of the City of Batesville, Mississippi

**NOTICE OF PLACE, DATE, HOUR AND SUBJECT MATTER  
OF AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF BATESVILLE, MISSISSIPPI**

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The adjourned meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Batesville, Mississippi, shall be held on the following subject matter at the following place, date, and hour, to-wit:

Place: City Hall, 103 College Street, Batesville, MS 38606

Date: On the 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023

Hour: 2:00 p.m.

Subject Matter: To transact any and all business that may be transacted at the regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

The meeting may be conducted through teleconference or video means. Participation is available to the general public at said location.