

CITY OF BATESVILLE BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 2, 2024
2:00 P.M. | CITY HALL

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Hal Ferrell

INVOCATION: Marni McKenzie

MAYOR'S WELCOME STATEMENT: "To all in attendance, pursuant to Order by the Board of Aldermen, adopted on March 1, 2022, in order to address the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, you must be on the agenda, and pursuant to Order adopted March 23, 2023, you must sign the sign-in sheet with a complete address."

APPROVE AGENDA

- January 2, 2024

APPROVE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS

- Regular Meeting – December 19, 2023

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval for Quinn West, Vernon Howell and Carl Flowers to attend the MS Rural Water wastewater certification class March 11-15, 2024, in Richland, Mississippi with expenses paid/reimbursed by the City.

PAY REQUEST AGENDA

1. Approval to issue payment to The Power Source, PLLC in the amount of \$6,934.51 relative to the Batesville Civic Center lighting upgrade. Board approved March 7, 2023.
2. Approval to issue payment to Herron Landscape, LLC in the amount of \$10,255.00 relative to the replacement of dead plants located on the Downtown Square. Board approved October 3, 2023.
3. Approval to issue payment to Jones & Jones, CPA in the amount of \$107,539.08 for 2022 audit fees and expenses.
4. Approval to issue payment to Cadence Equipment Finance in the amount of \$56,701.43 for the third installment on the street sweeper.

HUMAN RESOURCES

1. Approval to promote Detective Sergeant Adam Smithey to the rank of Lieutenant with a salary increase of \$2.00 per hour, effective January 11, 2024.
2. Approval to accept the resignation of Addison Lawrence, effective December 1, 2023.
3. Approval to offer part-time employment to Marlie Lawrence in Supervision & Finance at a rate of \$12.00 per hour, contingent upon her accepting said offer and undergoing a medical exam and a drug and alcohol test and being free of drugs and cleared for employment pursuant thereto, and that said offer of employment expires on January 15, 2024, at midnight if not accepted.

VISITORS

PERMANENT VISITORS

- Panola Partnership
- North Delta Planning and Development
- Mendrop Engineering Resources
- Panola County Board of Supervisors and department heads
- State or Federal legislators representing any part of Panola County
- Any person engaged in contractual business with the City of Batesville
- The Panolian Jeremy Weldon or his proxy

PUBLIC HEARINGS – 3:00 P.M.

1. Luke & James White – Conditional Use Permit – sales from portable building at 645 Highway 51 South.

BIDS RECONSIDERED

1. Bank Depositories

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS

CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL – ANDY BERRYHILL

1. Monthly inspection list
2. Planning Commission Minutes – December 18, 2023
3. Set clean-up and public hearings as needed

CHIEF OF POLICE – KERRY PITTMAN

CITY ATTORNEY – COLMON MITCHELL

CITY CLERK – SUSAN BERRYHILL

1. Approval for the Mayor to sign lease/purchase agreement for leaf loader
2. Ratify & confirm curfew extension
3. Approval to transfer \$500,000.00 from Water and Sewer Operating Fund to General Fund
4. Mileage reimbursement rate increase from \$0.655 to \$0.67

FIRE CHIEF – TIM TAYLOR

CIVIC CENTER DIRECTOR – RODNEY HOLLEY

1. Volunteer Entertainment, Inc. – third party ticketing agent

ASSISTANT PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR – NEWT BENSON

WATER/SEWER

1. Quotes received – UTV

PUBLIC WORKS

2. Potential executive session – discuss Hwy 35 South water

ALLOW CLAIMS: 42011-42582 (includes The Co-Op)

OTHER MATTERS BY MAYOR OR ALDERMAN:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT