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ADJOURNED MEETING

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Pursuant to the adjournment taken, January 2, 2024, the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Batesville reconvened at 2:00 p.m., on January 4, 2024, at the City Hall, 103 College Street, Batesville, Mississippi, when and where were present the following, to-wit: Mayor Hal Ferrell; Aldermen Dennis Land, Stan Harrison, Bobby Walton and Bill Dugger. Also present was: City Attorney Colmon Mitchell, City Clerk Susan Berryhill and Assistant City Clerk Shannah Weaver.

Alderman Teddy Morrow was also present for a period of time via telephone.

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, Morrow and Harrison it was ordered that the meeting be closed in order to determine whether or not the Board should declare an executive session.

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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 Ferrell; Aldermen Land, Harrison, Dugger, Morrow (via telephone) and Walton; City Attorney Colmon Mitchell; City Clerk Susan Berryhill and Assistant City Clerk Shonnah Weaver.

On motion made by Alderman Harrison, seconded by Alderman Dugger, and unanimously carried upon the affirmative votes of Aldermen Land, Walton, Dugger, Morrow (via telephone) and Harrison it was ordered that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen go into executive session in order to discuss a personnel matter relating to changes in the Batesville Police Department, request to hire and security in the parks.

IN OPEN MEETING

The Mayor announced that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen will go into executive session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter relating to changes in the Batesville Police Department, request to hire and security in the parks and that the total vote on the motion to go into executive session was five (5) aldermen in favor and no aldermen opposed. Those present in the open meeting were Mayor Ferrell; Aldermen Harrison, Land, Dugger, Morrow (via telephone) and Walton; City Attorney Colmon Mitchell; City Clerk Susan Berryhill and Assistant City Clerk Shonnah Weaver.

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IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Ferrell announced that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen are in executive session. Those present in executive session were Mayor Ferrell; Aldermen Harrison, Walton, Dugger, Morrow (via telephone) and Land; City Attorney Colmon Mitchell; City Clerk Susan Berryhill and Assistant City Clerk Shonnah Weaver.

There came on for discussion the personnel matter relating to changes in the Batesville Police Department.

There next came on for discussion the request to hire.

There next came on for discussion the matter relating to security in the parks.

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

IN OPEN MEETING

The Mayor announced that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen are now in open meeting. Those present were Mayor Ferrell; Aldermen Land, Harrison, Dugger, Morrow and Walton and City Attorney Colmon Mitchell.

IN RE: JOB DESCRIPTION – CHIEF OF POLICE

Upon unanimous consent, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen approved the job description of the Chief of Police and instructed the City Clerk to publish an advertisement in *The Panolian*, a legal newspaper published in Batesville, Mississippi, once each week for not less than two consecutive weeks that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen will accept applications for said position of Chief of Police until Friday, January 19, 2024.

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IN RE: APPROVAL TO OFFER EMPLOYMENT – METER READER

Upon motion of Alderman Harrison and second of Alderman Land and upon unanimous vote taken, it was ordered that full-time employment be offered to Tyler Moore as a meter reader at a rate of \$16.00 per hour contingent upon Mr. Moore 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.

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Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned to reconvene at 2:00 o'clock p.m., Tuesday, January 16, 2024, 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.

Mayor

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

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

The regular 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 16th day of January, 2024

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.