

# CITY OF BATESVILLE BOARD MEETING

MARCH 18, 2025  
2:00 P.M. | CITY HALL

## AGENDA

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Hal Ferrell

**INVOCATION:** Joe May

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**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**

- March 18, 2025

### **APPROVE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS**

- March 4, 2025- Regular Meeting
- March 12, 2025- Adjourned Meeting
- March 14, 2025- Adjourned Meeting

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval for Dennis Barfield to attend the BOAM Annual Conference on June 9-13, 2025, in Biloxi, MS. All expenses paid/reimbursed by the city.
2. Approval for James Snyder and Sergio Vergara to attend West TN Regional Fire Prevention Conference on April 15-17, 2025. (Date Change) All expenses paid/reimbursed by the city.
3. Approval for Lt. Richard Lott to attend the TCTI O.C. Instructor Training on April 3, 2025, in Yazoo City, MS. All expenses paid/reimbursed by the city. He will travel in a city vehicle.
4. Approval for Officer Tiffany Furr to attend Gang and Extremist Training on March 31-April 1, 2025, at MDCC in Moorehead, MS. All expenses paid/reimbursed by the city. He will travel in a city vehicle.

5. Approval for Sgt. Chandler Williams to attend the Street Crime Training on July 28-30, 2025, in Southaven, MS. All expenses paid/reimbursed by the city. He will travel in a city vehicle.
6. Approval for Berma Williams to attend Budgetary meeting on April 14, 2025, in Flowood, MS. All expenses paid/reimbursed by the city.

### **PAY REQUEST AGENDA**

1. Approval of payment to be made to Jones & Jones CPA in the amount of \$105,258.00 in connection with 2023 Audit fees.
2. Approval of payment to be made to Sozo Architecture, PLLC in the amount of \$2,400.00 in connection with the final part of January- February 2025 Batesville Mounds Project.
3. Approval of payment to be made to Sozo Architecture, PLLC in the amount of \$55,422.08 in connection with the Batesville Wastewater Treatment Lab.
4. Approval for refund to be made to Judge Shannon Frison with Frison Law Firm in the amount of \$342.58 in connection with payment for records that were not able to be given.

### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

1. Approval to hire Shaun Robertson to the Gas Department, full time, at a rate of \$14.00 per hour, contingent upon him 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 March 31, 2025, at midnight if not accepted.
2. Approval to hire Anthony West to the Water/Sewer Department, full time, at a rate of \$15.00 per hour. (He has two years' experience with Lawerence Hoskins.) contingent upon him 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 March 31, 2025, at midnight if not accepted.
3. Approval to accept the retirement of Terry Smith from the water department, effective on October 16, 2025.
4. Approval to accept the retirement of Willie Williams from the water department, effective May 31, 2025.
5. Approval to hire Corbin Vickers as non-certified fulltime fireman pending successful pre-employment physical examination, drug, and alcohol screening. His pay rate will be \$14.55 per hour.
6. Approval to hire Tatum Ales as non-certified fulltime fireman pending successful pre-employment physical examination, drug, and alcohol screening. His pay rate will be \$14.55 per hour.
7. Approval to hire Christopher Elred as non-certified fulltime fireman pending successful pre-employment physical examination, drug, and alcohol screening. His pay rate will be \$14.55 per hour.

**VISITORS**

Kristy Reed- waive Code Office signage fee

**BIDS****PERMANENT VISITORS**

- Panola Partnership- Upcoming downtown events
- 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 HEARING****REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS****CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL – ANDY BERRYHILL****ASSISTANT CHIEF OF POLICE – BARRY THOMPSON****CITY ATTORNEY – COLMON MITCHELL**

1. Notice of termination of city utilities and garbage services

**CITY CLERK – SHONNAH WEAVER****FIRE CHIEF – TIM TAYLOR**

1. Request to declare surplus property.

**CIVIC CENTER DIRECTOR – RODNEY HOLLEY**

1. Update using Photos displayed on the Monitor of the BLM Rodeo, Jr. Auxiliary Charity Ball, and Walking Track. (Will have those to Mayor Monday, March 17)
2. Upcoming events 2025 National Crappie League Tournament and Expo. March 28-30th and on April 3-5th, 2025 National All-Service JROTC Aerial Drone Championship.

3. Contract update concerning No Outside Food and Beverages policy (Rodney Holley)
4. Update on Improvements to South Ramp (Cattle Mats) and Carpeting in Conference Room A and B (Jonathan Wilkes, BCC Facilities Manager)
5. Request Approval to obtain specifications for Boiler Replacement (Jonathan Wilkes, BCC Facilities Manager)
6. Request Approval to obtain specifications for Service Area Walkway to Flag Columns (Jonathan Wilkes, BCC Facilities Manager)
7. Southern Beverage – National Crappie League Expo (Rodney Holley)

## **PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR HEATH FULLILOVE**

1. Linda Lee- ICS Head State- June 21, 2025- 2pm-6pm.
2. Easter Egg Hunt at Trussel Park on April 19, 2025, at 3pm.
3. Kickball Tournament at Trussell Park on June 19, 2025, at 3pm.
4. Easter Egg Hunt Patton Lane Park on April 19, 2025, from 11 am- 3pm

## **PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR – NEWT BENSON**

1. Requesting permission to allow Newt Benson to sign a Will Serve letter for the Batesville Vascular & Vein Institute.
2. Requesting permission to sign an Agreement for Master Professional Services for Compliance Envirosystems, LLC for Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Services
3. Request permission accepting the lowest of the bids for the Court Street sewer lining project.
  - **Suncoast \$97,859.00**
  - Video Industrial Services\$108,466.75
  - Gulf Coast Underground\$166,058.25
4. 2025 Updated Paving List
  - **MLK South**
  - **Van Voris – From Pearson to MLK South**
  - **Brewer Road – From I55 to Hwy 35 North**
  - Court St
  - Court St – From Creek Dr to the square
  - Creek Dr to Pamela St.
  - Pamela St to Hwy 51 North & Pamela St to Court St.
  - Court St to Shuford Hill
  - **Buckhorn Rd**
  - **Pine Lodge Rd – About 2800' long**
  - **Hickory Lane**
  - **Woodland Rd – From Hwy 6 ROW to Station 2 (About 200') and over the box culvert (About 350')**
  - **Cracker Barrel Dr.**
  - **Broom Ridge Rd**
  - Boyd St.

- Shagbark Dr.
5. Restriping List (Phase 1)
    - Country Club
    - Morning Side Rd
    - Westmoreland Rd
    - Oak Lane
    - Hillcrest Rd
    - Johnson St
    - Batesville Dr
    - **Van Voris St \* To be replaced with Perkins St.**
    - Lomax St
      - ❖ **Riverside Traffic Systems Inc Total \$16,900.00**
      - ❖ J.C. Cheek Contractors Total \$22,800.00
  6. Requesting permission to obtain specifications for High Flow 24" Planer attachment for the skid steer (asphalt milling machine)
  7. Thermos Dr. culvert – 112' x 84"
    - Todd Bruce - \$25,361.39
    - **G&O Supply - \$24,190.00**
  8. Request permission to accept sole source letter from Vulcan Industries
  9. Request permission to allow Vulcan Industries to send a service tech. to the WWTP to diagnose the bar screen and washer compactor on the influent station. This price does not include parts or repairs. **\$5,780.00**
  10. Requesting permission to accept the lowest of two bids for boring, pulling, and fusing 350' of the gas line on the property North of the BCC – Gas line relocation
    - **Marvin Freeman - \$12,700.00**
    - Mitch Hays - \$16,500.00
  11. The pipe for property in front of BCC - **\$2,575.00**
  12. Request permission to transfer John Deere mowers, 2930M, from Parks & Recreation to the following departments...
    - 1TC930MCJNT105827 to the Gas Department
    - 1TC930MCCNT105635 to the Fire Department
  13. Acceptance Letter- Mayor to sign

**OTHER MATTERS BY MAYOR OR ALDERMAN:**

**POTENTIAL EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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**ADJOURNMENT**