

# CITY OF BATESVILLE

## BOARD MEETING

DECEMBER 16, 2025  
2:00 P.M. | CIVIC CENTER

## AGENDA

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Hal Ferrell

**INVOCATION:** Newlie Long

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Barry Thompson

**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**

- December 16, 2025

**APPROVE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS**

- December 2, 2025 -Regular Meeting

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval to allow Tatum Ales to attend the Haz Mat Awareness and Operations course delivered through a hybrid course from the MSFA. Two weeks online and one week at the MSFA where students will take finals and test on JPR's (skills). Classes start on January 12, 2026, online and on campus start January 26-29, 2026. All expenses will be paid/reimbursed by the city.
2. Approval to allow Andy Berryhill to attend one day Elevation Certificate Workshop hosted by MEMA on January 27, 2026, in Starkville, MS. No registration cost, will travel in city vehicle, reimburse for lunch only.

**PAY REQUEST AGENDA**

1. Approval to pay Panola County Sheriff Department in the amount of \$12,840.82 in connection with Inmate Housing for November.
2. Approval to pay Lockett Pump & Well Service, Inc. in the amount of \$27,479.53 in connection with repairing the gear box on the north oxidation ditch aerator.
3. Approval of payment to be made to Deere Credit, Inc. in the amount of \$15,145.04 in connection with leasing two backhoes.
4. Approval of payment in the amount of \$35,000.00 in connection with Admin Charges-CDBG#1137-21-111-PF-01
5. Approval of payment in the amount of \$7,000.00 in connection with Admin Charges- ARC #MS-20699

## **HUMAN RESOURCES**

1. Approval to accept the resignation of Stephen Sarkis in the Fire Department effective December 11, 2025.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS & MBAP:**

## **BID OPENINGS**

## **VISITORS**

1. Mississippi WolfPack Arena Football Team- Yolanda Wright

## **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

## **REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS**

### **CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL – ANDY BERRYHILL**

1. Planning Commission Meeting minutes from November

### **ASSISTANT CHIEF OF POLICE – BARRY THOMPSON**

### **CITY ATTORNEY – COLMON MITCHELL**

1. Ordinance- Engine Break
2. Ordinance- Natural Gas
3. Ordinance- Garbage

### **CITY CLERK – SHONNAH WEAVER**

### **FIRE CHIEF – TIM TAYLOR**

1. Approve Mayor to sign designation of Applicant's agent form from MEMA allowing James Snyder to be POC on Mitigation Grants.
2. Approve specifications and proceed with the necessary procedures for acquisition be it reverse auction or open bid process as deemed necessary.
  - Purchase and Installation of 12 Above Ground Weather Shelters
3. Approval of quotes to purchase of replacement pump for the Brush/Squad Truck
  - Sunbelt Fire \$7,521.50

**CIVIC CENTER DIRECTOR – RODNEY HOLLEY**

1. Event update
2. Approve quote for the repair on chiller 1.
  - **TRI STAR- \$6,810.00**

**PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR HEATH FULLILOVE**

1. Approval of lowest quote for Indian Mound Double Swing Gate
  - **JOEL WILLIAMS- \$13,900.00**

**PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR – NEWT BENSON**

1. Permission to obtain a \$350,000.00 bond for the Hwy 6 E water bore project and request permission to allow the appropriate personnel to complete and sign the permit documentation for final submittal.
2. Request permission to approve boring permit for CSpire. CSpire has a franchise agreement and will not be charged for the permit, but they still have to follow the boring ordinance. House Carlson Dr. to John R Lovelace to Medical Center to behind Walmart.
3. Review bids for planting trees and the RV park.
4. Insituform Building- Roof Update
5. Hwy 6 striping update
6. Update on Brewer Road regulator station

**OTHER MATTERS BY MAYOR OR ALDERMAN:****LIST OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS/ONGOING PROJECTS DISCUSSED AT PREVIOUS MEETING(S):****POTENTIAL EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1. Joe Azar

**ADJOURNMENT**