



REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF GLUCKSTADT, MISSISSIPPI

Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Minutes

This notice and agenda of the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen is hereby given by the undersigned. Said meeting shall be held on Tuesday, February 11, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the Board Room at City Hall, located at 343 Distribution Drive, Gluckstadt, MS 39110.

1. Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call

The Mayor called the February 11, 2025, Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to order. The Mayor presented the Notice of Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Gluckstadt, Mississippi acknowledged by all Aldermen. (Exhibit "A").

Board Members Present: Mayor Walter C. Morrison, Alderman John Taylor, Alderwoman Miya Warfield Bates (via telephone), Alderman Wesley Slay, Alderman Jayce Powell and Alderwoman Lisa Williams.

Staff Members Present: City Clerk Lindsay Kellum, Deputy City Clerk Chasity Pickett, Public Works Director Chris Buckner, Chief of Police Barry Hale, Grant Administrator Ruth Stogner, Executive Assistant Janet Brooks, and City Attorney Zachary Giddy.

2. Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Pastor Brooks opened the meeting with prayer.

Alderman Powell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

No action taken.

3. Presented Items

A) Request for Approval of Citywide Celebration of the Week of the Young Child, April 7-11, 2025 (Thelma Harden, Christian Learning Center)

The Mayor requested a motion to approve the Resolution Designating the Week of April 7-11, 2025 as the Week of the Young Child (Exhibit "B"). Alderwoman Bates made a motion to the Resolution Designating the Week of April 7-11, 2025 as the Week of the Young Child, and it was seconded by Alderman Taylor.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

B) Request for Approval of Resolution, Designating Firefighter Appreciation Week, February 17th -21st, 2025 (Alderman Powell)

The Mayor requested a motion to approve the Resolution Designating the Week of February 17-21st, 2025 Firefighter Appreciation Week (Exhibit "C"). Alderman Powell made a motion to approve the Resolution Designating the Week of February 17-21st, 2025 Firefighter Appreciation Week, and it was seconded by Alderman Slay.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

C) Presentation of Officer of the Quarter, Investigator Rob Parker (Chief Hale)

The Chief of Police announced Investigator Robert Parker as Officer of the Quarter and presented him with a plaque.

The Mayor congratulated Investigator Parker on Officer of the Quarter.

No action taken.

D) Presentation of 2024 Officer of the Year, Sergeant Duane Montgomery (Chief Hale)

The Chief of Police announced Sgt. Duane Montgomery as Officer of the Year and presented him with a plaque.

The Mayor congratulated Sgt. Montgomery on Officer of the Year.

No action taken.

E) Presentation of the Life Saving Award, Sergeant Duane Montgomery and Sergeant Kyrie Lucas (Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States)

The Chief of Police announced Sgt. Kyrie Lucas and Sgt. Duane Montgomery for receiving the Life Saving Award and presented them with a plaque.

The Mayor congratulated Sgt. Lucas and Sgt. Montgomery on receiving the Life Saving Award.

No action taken.

The Mayor reminded the public to please consider donations of coats to the Mayor's Youth Council Coat Drive and donations of canned soup for the March of Mayors Food Drive, benefitting local food pantries; collections will go on until the end of February.

4. Approval of Consent Agenda Items

A) Approval of Claims Docket

B) Approval of January 14, 2025 Meeting Minutes

C) Request for Approval of Training & Travel Reimbursement, First Line Supervision Class, MLEOTA - Pearl, MS 2/24-2/26 (Sgt. Lucas)

D) Request for Approval, Formally Accepting Donation of Various Items (Computers, Monitors, Printers) from the Madison County District Attorney and Request to Add to Fixed Assets

E) Request for Approval, Donation of Trail Cameras to the Public Works Department from Trey McClellan

F) Request for Approval, Stantec Task Order #7 (Public Works, Engineering Services)

G) Request for Approval, Waste Management Service Agreement (107 Lone Wolf Drive)

H) Request for Approval of Training Registration: CMO Elective Evening Class, Workplace Harassment, February 13th, Ridgeland, (Powell, Kellum, Pickett)

I) Request for Approval of Training & Travel Reimbursement: Tyler Connect Conference, San Antonio, TX May 11-14, 2025 (Kellum)

J) Request for Approval of Training & Travel Reimbursement: 2025 Spring Municipal Clerk Conference, Hattiesburg, MS, April 9-11, 2025 (Kellum, Maugh, Pickett)

K) Request for Approval of Training Registration: DCMC Program, February 12-14th, Ridgeland (Maugh, Pickett)

The Mayor requested a motion to approve the consent agenda, with correction to January 14, 2025 minutes. (Exhibit "D"). Alderman Taylor made a motion to approve the consent agenda, and it was seconded by Alderman Slay.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

5) Monthly Budget Report

A) Monthly Budget Report(s)

The Mayor presented the monthly budget report(s). (Exhibit "E")

No action taken.

B) Monthly Bank Reconciliations

The Mayor presented the monthly bank reconciliations. (Exhibit "F")

No action taken.

6. New Business

A) Request for Approval, Resolution Supporting Federal Tax Exemption of Municipal Bonds (MML Request)

The Mayor requested a motion to approve the Resolution Supporting Federal Tax Exemption of Municipal Bonds. (Exhibit "G"). Alderman Powell made a motion to approve the Resolution Supporting Federal Tax Exemption of Municipal Bonds, and it was seconded by Alderman Slay.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

7. Grant Administrator, Grant Status Updates (Ruth Marie Stogner)

A) Grants Update

The Grant Administrator updated the board on general grant administration matters and the status of active grants.

No action taken.

B) Mississippi Main Street

The Grant Administrator updated the board on the Mississippi Main Street Grant.

The Mayor requested a motion for permission to submit an associate application and approve \$1500 for year one membership. Alderman Slay made a motion to grant permission to submit an associate application and approve \$1500 for one year membership, and the motion was seconded by Alderman Taylor.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

C) Mayoral Health Council

The Grant Administrator, joined by Dr. Sheila Spann, updated the board on Mayoral Health Council matters including the February 17th meeting and the upcoming 5K Fun Run to be held March 29, 2025.

No action taken.

D) Status of Federal Funding

The Grant Administrator updated the board on the status of federal grant funding and the freeze by the new administration.

No action taken.

8. City Clerk, City Administration Matters (Lindsay Kellum)

A) Monthly Update, City Administration (City Clerk)

The City Clerk updated the board on city administration matters. (Exhibit "H").

No action taken.

B) Monthly Privilege License Report (Assistant City Clerk)

The Assistant City Clerk updated the board with the monthly privilege license report. (Exhibit "I")

No action taken.

C) Request for Authorization to Add Scott Maugh, Assistant City Clerk, Read Only Access to All Gluckstadt Bank Accounts

The Mayor requested a motion to authorize Scott Maugh, Assistant City Clerk, to have read only access to all Gluckstadt Bank Accounts. (Exhibit "J"). Alderman Taylor made a motion to authorize Scott Maugh, Assistant City Clerk, to have read only access to all Gluckstadt Bank Accounts, and it was seconded by Alderman Powell.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

D) 2025 Municipal Elections Update & Requests from City Clerk

The Mayor requested a motion to amend the election day compensation for the Gluckstadt Municipal Election Commission to \$200.00 per election date. (Exhibit "K"). Alderman Taylor made a motion to amend the election day compensation for the Gluckstadt Municipal Election Commission to \$200.00 per election date, and the motion was seconded by Alderman Slay.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

The Mayor requested a motion to amend the election day compensation for the Gluckstadt Poll Workers to \$200.00 per election date. (Exhibit "K"). Alderman Taylor motion to amend the election day compensation for the Gluckstadt Poll Workers to \$200.00 per election date, and the motion was seconded by Alderman Slay.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

E) Request for Approval of Quote from Election Systems & Software (Election Day Technician Support - Primary, Primary Runoff, General)

The Mayor requested a motion to approve the ESS Quote for Election Day Services (Primary, Primary Runoff, General Election). (Exhibit "L"). Alderman Taylor made the motion to approve the ESS Quote for Election Day Services (Primary, Primary Runoff, General Election), and the motion was seconded by Alderman Slay.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

9. Building Official, Planning and Zoning Matters (William Hall)

The Mayor amended the agenda to take up Item 9-G first, followed by 9-F.

A) General Update, Planning and Zoning/Building Department

The Public Works Director addressed the board on behalf of Mr. Hall (not present at the meeting) on matters related to Planning and Zoning and Building.

No action taken.

B) Discussion and Consideration of Brothers Tacos Conditional Use

The Mayor requested a motion to approve or deny the conditional use for Brothers Tacos (Exhibit "M"). Alderman Powell made a motion to deny the conditional use for Brothers Tacos, and it was seconded by Alderwoman Williams.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

C) Discussion and Consideration of 342 Old Jackson Project A Dimensional Variance

The Mayor requested a motion to approve or deny the dimensional variance for 342 Old Jackson Project A (Exhibit "N"). Alderman Slay made a motion to approve the dimensional variance for 342 Old Jackson Project A, and it was seconded by Alderwoman Williams.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

D) Discussion and Consideration of 342 Old Jackson Project B Dimensional Variance

The Mayor requested a motion to approve or deny the dimensional variance for 342 Old Jackson Project B (Exhibit "O"). Alderman Slay made a motion to approve the dimensional variance for 342 Old Jackson Project B, and it was seconded by Alderwoman Williams.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

individuals in the Public Works Department, a promotion of one individual in the Public Works Department, the hiring of several individuals in the Police Department, as well as the status of a land transaction.

A) Request to Promote Damey Kelly to Permanent Crew Leader I, Public Works Dept.

The Mayor requested a motion to promote Damey Kelly from within the Public Works Department to the position of Permanent Crew Leader I for the Department, effective February 13, 2025, at an hourly rate of \$20.00, plus employment benefits such as Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance and participation in the Public Employees Retirement System. A motion was made by Alderman Powell to the position of Permanent Crew Leader I for the Department, at an hourly rate of \$20.00, plus employment benefits such as Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance and participation in the Public Employees Retirement System, and it was seconded by Alderman Taylor.

Voting Yea: Alderman Slay, Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

B) Request to Hire Willie Pickett for Maintenance Worker I, Public Works Department

The Mayor requested a motion to hire Willie Pickett for the position of Maintenance Worker I for the Public Works Department, at an hourly rate of \$17.00, plus employment benefits such as Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance and participation in the Public Employees Retirement System, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks. A motion was made by Alderman Taylor to hire Willie Pickett for the position of Maintenance Worker I for the Public Works Department, at an hourly rate of \$17.00, plus employment benefits such as Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance and participation in the Public Employees Retirement System, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks, and it was seconded by Alderman Slay.

Voting Yea: Alderman Slay, Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

C) Request to Hire Christopher Lockett, Maintenance Worker I, Public Works Department

The Mayor requested a motion to hire Christopher Lockett for the position of Maintenance Worker I for the Public Works Department, at an hourly rate of \$17.00, plus employment benefits such as Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance and participation in the Public Employees Retirement System, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks. A motion was made by Alderman Taylor to to hire Christopher Lockett for the position of Maintenance Worker I for the Public Works Department, at an hourly rate of \$17.00, plus employment benefits such as Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance and participation in the Public Employees Retirement System, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks, and it was seconded by Alderman Slay.

Voting Yea: Alderman Slay, Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

D) Request to Hire Layne Magee for Reserve Officer

The Mayor requested a motion to hire Layne Magee for the position of Reserve Officer the Police Department, at an hourly rate of \$17.00, not subject to include employment benefits such as health insurance and retirement, contingent upon successfully passing all necessary background checks. A motion was made by Alderman Powell to hire to hire Layne Magee for the position of Reserve Officer the Police Department, at an hourly rate of \$17.00, not subject to include employment benefits such as health insurance and retirement, contingent upon successfully passing all necessary background checks, and it was seconded by Alderman Slay.

Voting Yea: Alderman Slay, Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

E) Request to Hire Dawn Meyer as a Dispatcher, Police Department

The Mayor requested a motion to hire Dawn Meyer for the position of Dispatcher, with the Police Department, at an annual salary of \$40,000.00, plus employment benefits such as Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance and participation in the Public Employees Retirement System, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks. A motion was made by Alderman Slay to hire Dawn Meyer for the position of Dispatcher, with the Police Department, at an annual salary of \$40,000.00, plus employment benefits such as Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance and participation in the Public Employees Retirement System, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks, and it was seconded by Alderman Powell.

Voting Yea: Alderman Slay, Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

F) Request to Hire Diamond Bridges as a Dispatcher, Police Department

The Mayor requested a motion to hire Diamond Bridges for the position of Dispatcher, with the Police Department, at an annual salary of \$40,000.00, plus employment benefits such as Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance and participation in the Public Employees Retirement System, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks. A motion was made by Alderman Taylor to hire Diamond Bridges for the position of Dispatcher, with the Police Department, at an annual salary of \$40,000.00, plus employment benefits such as Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance and participation in the Public Employees Retirement System, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks, and it was seconded by Alderman Powell.

Voting Yea: Alderman Slay, Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

E) Discussion and Consideration of D&S Investments Wyndham Hotel Parking and Height Variance

The Mayor requested a motion to approve or deny the height variance and parking variance for D&S Investments Wyndham Hotel (Exhibit "P"). Alderman Taylor made a motion to approve the height variance and parking for D&S Investments Wyndham Hotel, and it was seconded by Alderwoman Williams.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

F) Discussion and Consideration of Application for Rezoning, Bedi Investments, 1064 Gluckstadt Road

The Mayor requested a motion to approve or deny the application for rezoning, Bedi Investments (Exhibit "Q"). Alderman Powell made a motion to approve the application for rezoning, Bedi Investments, and it was seconded by Alderman Taylor.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderman Slay

Voting Nay: Alderwoman Bates

The Mayor declared the motion carried 4-1.

G) Discussion and Consideration of D&S Investments Wyndham Hotel Site Plan

The Mayor requested a motion to approve or deny the site plan for Wyndham Hotel, Subject to Architectural Review Approval (Exhibit "R"). Alderman Taylor made a motion to approve the site plan for Wyndham Hotel, and it was seconded by Alderman Slay.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

10. Public Works Department (Chris Buckner)

A) Request for Approval, Permission to Advertise for Gluckstadt Road Median Removal

The Mayor requested a motion to advertise for Gluckstadt Road Median Removal (Exhibit "S"). Alderman Powell made a motion to advertise for Gluckstadt Road Median Removal, and it was seconded by Alderman Taylor.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

B) Request for Approval, Meadows at Stout Farms Part 4

The Mayor requested a motion to approve Meadows at Stout Farms Part 4. Alderman Taylor made a motion to approve Meadows at Stout Farms Part 4, and it was seconded by Alderman Slay.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

C) Request for Approval of New Road Name (Titan Lane)

The Mayor requested a motion to approve a new road name, Titan Lane. Alderman Slay made a motion to motion to approve a new road name, Titan Lane, and it was seconded by Alderman Powell.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

11. Police Chief, Police Department Matters (Chief Barry Hale)

A) General Update, Police Department

The Chief of Police updated the board on law enforcement matters.

No action taken.

12. Public Comment

No members of the public signed up to address the board.

No action taken.

13. Closed Session to Determine Need for Executive Session

The Board considered entering closed session to determine whether to go into executive session. The Mayor requested a motion. A motion was made by Alderman Slay to enter into closed session to determine the need for executive session, and it was seconded by Alderman Powell. *After calling for and taking a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.*

The Board then considered entering executive session. Alderman Slay made a motion to enter executive session to discuss job performance and the hiring of two individuals in the Public Works Department, a promotion of one individual in the Public Works Department, the hiring of several individuals in the Police Department, as well as the status of a land transaction, and it was seconded by Alderman Powell. *After calling for and taking a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.*

The Board entered executive session. A public announcement was made by the City Clerk that the Board had entered executive session to discuss job performance and the hiring of two

G) Request to Hire Henri Pinkston as a Dispatcher, Police Department

The Mayor requested a motion to hire Henri Pinkston for the position of Dispatcher, with the Police Department, at an annual salary of \$40,000.00, plus employment benefits such as Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance and participation in the Public Employees Retirement System, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks. A motion was made by Alderman Powell to hire Henri Pinkston for the position of Dispatcher, with the Police Department, at an annual salary of \$40,000.00, plus employment benefits such as Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance and participation in the Public Employees Retirement System, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks, and it was seconded by Alderman Taylor.

Voting Yea: Alderman Slay, Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

H) Request to Hire Jameria Vaughns as a Dispatcher, Police Department

The Mayor requested a motion to hire Jameria Vaughns for the position of Dispatcher, with the Police Department, at an annual salary of \$40,000.00, plus employment benefits such as Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance and participation in the Public Employees Retirement System, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks. A motion was made by Alderman Slay to hire Jameria Vaughns for the position of Dispatcher, with the Police Department, at an annual salary of \$40,000.00, plus employment benefits such as Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance and participation in the Public Employees Retirement System, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks, contingent upon successfully passing all background checks, and it was seconded by Alderman Taylor.

Voting Yea: Alderman Slay, Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

I) Discussion of Status of Land / Property Transaction

The Mayor and Board and City Attorney discussed the status of a land / property transaction and court proceedings.

No action taken.

The Mayor then asked for a motion to leave executive session. Alderman Powell made a motion to leave executive session and re-enter open session, and it was seconded by Alderman Slay. *After calling for and taking a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.* The Mayor and Board then exited executive session and re-entered open session.

A public announcement was made by the City Clerk that the Board hired two individuals in the Public Works Department for Maintenance Worker positions, promoted one individual in the Public Works Department to the permanent Crew Leader I position, hired an individual for Reserve Officer in the Police Department, and hired four individuals as Dispatchers in the Police Department, as well as discussed the status of a land transaction.

14. Adjourn

Alderwoman Williams made a motion to adjourn, and it was seconded by Alderwoman Bates.

Voting Yea: Alderman Powell, Alderman Taylor, Alderwoman Williams, Alderwoman Bates, Alderman Slay

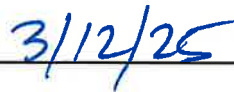
The Mayor declared the motion carried.



WALTER C. MORRISON, IV
MAYOR

ATTEST:

DATE:



LINDSAY D. KELLUM
CITY CLERK

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