

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
COUNTY OF LOWNDES

TOWN OF CALEDONIA  
BOARD MINUTES  
April 5, 2022  
6:00 P.M.

Pastor Dan Louman of Border Springs Baptist Church led in prayer and Mayor Betty Darnell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Call to Order:** A regular board meeting of the Town of Caledonia Board of Alderman was held at 6:00 P.M., Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at Town Hall, 754 Main Street, Caledonia, Mississippi. Mayor Betty Darnell called the meeting to order and noted that a quorum was present.

**Members in Attendance:** Mayor Betty Darnell and Aldermen: Matt Furnari, Robert Jacobs and Jason Chrest and Alderwomen Tammy McCool and Amanda Boltwood.

**Others in Attendance:** Deputy Town Marshal John Pevey, Town Clerk Lindy Thomason, Water Department Manager Brad Box, Water Department Office Manager Cathy Brown, Board Attorney Chris Hemphill and members of the public.

**Approval of Agenda:** Robert Jacobs moved to approve the Agenda as amended. Amanda Boltwood seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

**Approval of Minutes:** Amanda Boltwood moved to approve the minutes of March 1, March 11 and March 29, 2022. Jason Chrest seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

**Citizens Input**

Patty Keffer spoke regarding the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act.

**Medical Cannabis Act:** ABC Agent Jason Counts provided information regarding the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act passed by the Mississippi legislature. The Board noted that

previous notice had been given through the posted agenda and notice of meeting that the Town would be discussing and considering “opting-out of the cultivation, processing, sale and/or distribution of medical cannabis and cannabis products within the municipal limits of the Town of Caledonia” as authorized under the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act. After much discussion, Matt Furnari moved to approve the attached Resolution whereby the Town of Caledonia “opts-out” as stated in the resolution. Robert Jacobs seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Nay  
Jason Chrest: Nay  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

### Water & Sewer Department

**Water & Sewer Department Operations and Water Department Bills:** Water Department Manager Brad Box presented his Water and Sewer department report. Jason Chrest moved to approve the Water Department bills in the amount of \$75,512.83 for the month of March as long as all bills were within budget and line items and state purchasing laws have been followed. Robert Jacobs seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

Amanda Boltwood moved to approve the Water Department report. Matt Furnari seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

**Adoption of Municipal Standard:** Jason Chrest moved to adopt as policy the Municipal Standard for Fire Hydrants and Valves (see attached). Tammy McCool seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

Matt Furnari moved to approve Brad Box to attend the Wastewater Training in Meridian, Mississippi on April 19-20, 2022, and to pay all registration, fees, travel expenses and work time at the school. Robert Jacobs seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

Jason Chrest moved to accept the lowest and best quote from Donald Smith Company, Inc. for a chlorine change over system in the amount of \$7,940.00. Amanda Boltwood seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

**Town Financials: Town Bills:** Tammy McCool moved to approve the General Town bills in the amount of \$111,254.97 for the month of March as long as all bills were within budget and line items and state purchasing laws have been followed. Jason Chrest seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

**Privilege License Report:** Town Clerk Lindy Thomason presented the Privilege License report for the month of March for new privilege licenses. Jason Chrest moved to approve the reports. Amanda Boltwood seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

**Old Business**

**Town Audits:** Jason Chrest moved to approve contracting with the Jarrell Group to perform the Town audits for 2016 through 2021 per the attached engagement letter. Tammy McCool seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

**Clerk Computer:** Amanda Boltwood moved to approve purchase of a new computer for the Town Clerk from Hurt Technology in the amount of \$1018.49. Matt Furnari seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

**Accounting Software for Town:** Matt Furnari moved to approve purchase of new accounting software for the Town from BBI and to pay the maintenance fees with a \$7,016 initial fee. Tammy McCool seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

Numerous project updates were discussed. No other action was taken.

**New Business**

**Surplus Property:** Amanda Boltwood moved to declare approximately 1750 square feet of tin from the pavilion at Ola J. Pickett Park as surplus property and authorize to advertise the property for sale through sealed bids to be received May 3. Tammy McCool seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

**Declaration of “National Day of Prayer”:** Tammy McCool moved to declare May 5<sup>th</sup> as National Day of Prayer in Town of Caledonia. Amanda Boltwood seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

**Park Commission Report:** Park Commissioner James White and Director Delaina McGraw presented the Park Commission Report for March. The financials were not available. Amanda Boltwood moved to approve the Park Commission Report. Jason Chrest seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

**Marshal’s Report:** Deputy Town Marshal John Pevey presented the Marshal's Report. Certificate showing Chief Marshal Kelvin Burdine completed Tactical Officer Survival School was presented. Robert Jacobs moved to approve the report. Amanda Boltwood seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

Tammy McCool moved to approve the Court Clerk to attend Court Clerk training in Biloxi, Mississippi on June 27-28, 2022 and to pay necessary expenses including, but not limited to \$275 for registration. Matt Furnari seconded the motion. Vote was as follows:

Matt Furnari: Yea  
Tammy McCool: Yea  
Amanda Boltwood: Yea  
Jason Chrest: Yea  
Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

**Adjourn:**

Robert Jacobs moved to adjourn. Jason Chrest seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

- Matt Furnari: Yea
- Tammy McCool: Yea
- Amanda Boltwood: Yea
- Jason Chrest: Yea
- Robert Jacobs: Yea

**Motion passed.**

Mayor Betty Darnell declared meeting adjourned.

WITNESS THE EXECUTION HEREOF, on this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Betty Darnell, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Belinda Thomason, Town Clerk  
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