



**Minutes - Final**  
**Board of Mayor and Aldermen**

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Monday, June 1, 2026

10:00 AM

Robert M. Walker Building

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**1. Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance and Call to Order**

Invocation was given by Mayor Thompson.  
Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Mayfield.

**2. Roll Call**

Also present:  
Kim Nailor, City Attorney  
Deborah A. Kaiser-Nickson, City Clerk  
Jasmine Dillon, Deputy Clerk

Present: 3 - Mayor Willis T. Thompson  
Alderman Thomas Mayfield  
Alderwoman Vickie Y. Bailey

**3. Board Comments:**

**4. Adopt Agenda**

On motion of Alderwoman Bailey, seconded by Alderman Mayfield, the Mayor and Aldermen voted to Adopt the Agenda, as amended. The motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

**Recognitions:**

- A. [ID-26-0724](#) Recognition - MHSAA Track and Field State Champions
1. Arrionna Jenkins
  2. Jayden Woods
  3. Mckenzy Edmond
  4. Zion Knox
  5. Amiyah Hall

**Approval of Consent Agenda Items:**

On motion of Alderwoman Bailey, seconded by Alderman Mayfield, the Mayor and Aldermen voted to Approve the Consent Agenda Items. The motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

- A. [ID-26-0737](#) Approve the following Personnel Action Forms:
1. Resignation:
    - a. Fire (2)
  2. Retirement:
    - a. Parks & Recreations (1)
- B. [ID-26-0722](#) Adopt Board Meeting Minutes for:
1. May 8, 2026
  2. May 18, 2026
- C. [ID-26-0721](#) Approve the following requests to reserve the motor coach:
1. Donna Gray on behalf of the Vicksburg Convention Center:
    - a. June 6, 2026
    - b. June 10, 2026
    - c. June 11, 2026
    - d. June 13, 2026

2. Jennifer Harper on behalf of Senior Center:
  - a. July 25, 2026

**Attachments:** [Motor Coach Forms](#)

- D. [ID-26-0716](#) Approve Sponsorship Application in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Jillian Norris on behalf of The Vicksburg Post for 20 Under 40 honorees publication pursuant to Section 17-3-1 and Section 17-3-3 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended

**Attachments:** [Sponsorship Vicksburg Post 20 under 40](#)

Mayor Thompson stated that the sponsorship application submitted by Jillian Norris on behalf of The Vicksburg Post for 20 Under 40 honorees publication in the amount of \$1,000.00 will bring into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Vicksburg and will be helpful toward advancing the community and professional interests of the City of Vicksburg.

The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg approved the sponsorship application in the amount of \$1,000.00. The city is authorized pursuant to Section 17-3-1 and Section 17-3-3 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended.

- E. [ID-26-0717](#) Approve Sponsorship Application in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Gabrielle Terrett on behalf of Sojoz LLC for Summertime in the River City pursuant to Section 17-3-1 and Section 17-3-3 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended

**Attachments:** [Sponsorship Sojoz LLC](#)

Mayor Thompson stated that the sponsorship application submitted by Gabrielle Terrett on behalf of Sojoz LLC for Summertime in the River City in the amount of \$1,000.00 will bring into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Vicksburg and will be helpful toward advancing the cultural and community interests of the City of Vicksburg.

The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg approved the sponsorship application in the amount of \$1,000.00.

The city is authorized pursuant to Section 17-3-1 and Section 17-3-3 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended.

- F. [ID-26-0718](#) Approve Sponsorship request in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Willie Glasper on behalf of Vicksburg Homecoming Benevolent Club for its 51st Annual Homecoming Celebration pursuant to Section 17-3-1 and Section 17-3-3 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended

**Attachments:** [Sponsorship Vicksburg Homecoming Benevolent Club](#)

Mayor Thompson stated that the sponsorship request submitted by Willie Glasper on behalf of Vicksburg Homecoming Benevolent Club for its 51st Annual Homecoming Celebration in the amount of \$1,000.00 will bring into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Vicksburg and will be helpful toward advancing the cultural and community interests of the City of Vicksburg.

The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg approved the sponsorship request in the amount of \$1,000.00. The city is authorized pursuant to Section 17-3-1 and Section 17-3-3 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended.

- G. [ID-26-0725](#) Approve the following for payment:
1. Voice of Calvary Ministries
    - a. Invoice in the amount of \$3,000.00 for Housing Consultation and Education for the month of May 2026
  2. Hemphill Construction Company for professional services:
    - a. Invoice #H25149-01 in the amount of \$53,507.55 for Sewer Junction Box Replacement Project
  3. PPM for professional services:

- a. Invoice #108916 in the amount of \$1,516.67 for US Rubber Brownfield Cleanup Grant - March 2026
- 4. Specialty Land Services, LLC:
  - a. Invoice #006 in the amount of \$7,500.00 for Cedar Hill Cemetery Project/Gateway to Greener Jackson
- 5. FC&E Engineering:
  - a. Invoice #260525 in the amount of \$6,265.00 for Mississippi Major Economic Impact Authority Grant (ERDC Base Enhancement/Water Tower)

**Attachments:** [Voice of Calvary Invoice](#)  
[Hemphill Invoice Sewer Junction Box](#)  
[PPM Invoice](#)  
[Speciality Land Services Invoice](#)  
[FC&E Engineering Invoice](#)

### Routine Agenda:

- A. [ID-26-0723](#) Discuss Vicksburg Convention Center Updates

**Ms. Donna Cook, of the Vicksburg Convention Center, came before the Board to inform the public of the upcoming events at the Vicksburg Convention Center for the month of June 2026 and invited the public to attend. The Mayor and Aldermen thanked Ms. Cook for attending the meeting.**

- B. [ID-26-0726](#) Discuss Vicksburg Convention and Visitors Bureau Updates

**Ms. Laura Beth Strickland, of the Vicksburg Convention & Visitors Bureau, came before the Board to inform the public of the upcoming events at the Vicksburg Convention & Visitors Bureau for the month of June 2026 and invited the public to attend. The Mayor and Aldermen thanked Ms. Strickland for attending the meeting.**

- C. [ID-26-0733](#) Adopt Budget Amendments

**On motion of Alderwoman Bailey, seconded by Alderman Mayfield, the Mayor and Aldermen voted to Adopt Budget Amendments for June 1, 2026. The motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

- D. [ID-26-0710](#) Authorize Mayor to Execute Event Order Confirmation from the Vicksburg Convention Center in the amount of \$1,350.00 for the Vicksburg Police Department Human Trafficking Training

**Attachments:** [VCC Event Order Form](#)

**On motion of Alderwoman Bailey, seconded by Alderman Mayfield, the Mayor and Aldermen voted to Authorize the Mayor to Execute Event Order Confirmation from the Vicksburg Convention Center in the amount of \$1,350.00 for the Vicksburg Police Department Human Trafficking Training. The motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

- E. [ID-26-0719](#) Authorize Mayor to Execute Memorandum of Understanding between United Way of West Central Mississippi and City of Vicksburg to provide an In-Kind Donation for the Shop with a Cop Initiative

**Attachments:** [MOU Shop with a Cop](#)

**On motion of Alderman Mayfield, seconded by Alderwoman Bailey, the Mayor and Aldermen voted to Authorize the Mayor to Execute Memorandum of Understanding between United Way of West Central Mississippi and City of Vicksburg to provide an In-Kind Donation for the Shop with a Cop Initiative. The**

motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

- F.** [ID-26-0720](#) Adopt Resolution to Provide In-Kind Services to United Way of West Central Mississippi

**Attachments:** [Resolution Shop with a Cop](#)

On motion of Alderman Mayfield, seconded by Alderwoman Bailey, the Mayor and Aldermen voted to Adopt Resolution to Provide In-Kind Services to United Way of West Central Mississippi. The motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

- G.** [ID-26-0730](#) Accept and Approve Letter of Commitment from the Vicksburg Convention and Visitors Bureau to the City of Vicksburg for acceptance of \$102,000.00 in matching funds for the Mississippi Main Street Revitalization Grant submitted by Vicksburg Main Street for the Blues Highway Travel Center Project

**Attachments:** [MMSRG Commitment Letter from VCVB](#)

On motion of Alderwoman Bailey, seconded by Alderman Mayfield, the Mayor and Aldermen voted to Accept and Approve Letter of Commitment from the Vicksburg Convention and Visitors Bureau to the City of Vicksburg for acceptance of \$102,000.00 in matching funds for the Mississippi Main Street Revitalization Grant submitted by Vicksburg Main Street for the Blues Highway Travel Center Project. The motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

- H.** [ID-26-0734](#) Authorize Mayor to execute Grant Agreement with Mississippi Development Authority for Mississippi Main Street Revitalization Grant - Vicksburg Main Street Project Number MMRG-26-018 - Blues Highway Travel Center

**Attachments:** [Grant Agreement - MMRG-26-018-Blues Highway Travel Center](#)

On motion of Alderwoman Bailey, seconded by Alderman Mayfield, the Mayor and Aldermen voted to Authorize the Mayor to execute Grant Agreement with Mississippi Development Authority for Mississippi Main Street Revitalization Grant - Vicksburg Main Street Project Number MMRG-26-018 - Blues Highway Travel Center. The motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

- I.** [ID-26-0728](#) Adopt Amended Resolution to Create a Committee to Review the Invitation for Bids for Grass Cutting, Demolition of Properties, Removing Rubbish, Abandoned or Dilapidated Fences, Lot Clearing and Removal of Debris

**Attachments:** [Amended Resolution Grass Cutting Committee](#)

On motion of Alderwoman Bailey, seconded by Alderman Mayfield, the Mayor and Aldermen voted to Adopt Amended Resolution to Create a Committee to Review the Invitation for Bids for Grass Cutting, Demolition of Properties, Removing Rubbish, Abandoned or Dilapidated Fences, Lot Clearing and Removal of Debris. The motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

- J.** [ID-26-0731](#) Accept Revised Appraisal Report as presented by Southern Skyline Valuations for the Vicksburg Municipal Airport

**Attachments:** [SSV Revised Appraisal Report](#)

On motion of Alderman Mayfield, seconded by Alderwoman Bailey, the Mayor and Aldermen voted to Accept Revised Appraisal Report as presented by Southern Skyline Valuations for the Vicksburg Municipal Airport. The motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

- K.** [ID-26-0732](#) Accept Revised Review Real Estate Appraisal Report as prepared by Bottin Consulting Group, Inc. for the Vicksburg Municipal Airport

**Attachments:** [Bottin Revised Appraisal Report](#)

On motion of Alderwoman Bailey, seconded by Alderman Mayfield, the Mayor and Aldermen voted to Accept Revised Real Estate Appraisal Report as prepared by Bottin Consulting Group, Inc. for the Vicksburg Municipal Airport. The motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

- L.** [ID-26-0735](#) Approve and Accept Special Event General Liability Application through Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management effective June 1, 2026 to June 1, 2027

**Attachments:** [Special Events General Liability Application](#)

On motion of Alderman Mayfield, seconded by Alderwoman Bailey, the Mayor and Aldermen voted to Approve and Accept Special Event General Liability Application through Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management effective June 1, 2026 to June 1, 2027. The motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

- M.** [ID-26-0736](#) Authorize Mayor to execute Mississippi Department of Transportation Application for Permit to Construct a Pipeline along or across State Highway and Agreement of Applicant given in Consideration of said Permit

**Attachments:** [MDOT Permit Application](#)

On motion of Mayor Thompson, seconded by Alderwoman Bailey, the Mayor and Alderwoman voted to Authorize the Mayor to execute Mississippi Department of Transportation Application for Permit to Construct a Pipeline along or across State Highway and Agreement of Applicant given in Consideration of said Permit. The motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:

**Aye:** 2 - Mayor Thompson, and Alderwoman Bailey

**Recused:** 1 - Alderman Mayfield

- N.** [ID-26-0740](#) Approve and Accept Appraisal Review for the Vicksburg Municipal Airport from Airport Business Solutions (ABS) for the following:

1. Southern Skyline Valuations
2. Bottin Consulting Group, Inc.

On motion of Alderwoman Bailey, seconded by Alderman Mayfield, the Mayor and Aldermen voted to Approve and Accept Appraisal Review for the Vicksburg Municipal Airport from Airport Business Solutions (ABS) for the following: 1) Southern Skyline Valuations 2) Bottin Consulting Group, Inc.. The motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

### Executive Session:

Alderwoman Bailey moved the Mayor and Aldermen to go into a closed meeting to determine if the Board should go into executive session. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mayfield. Voting aye, Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, Alderwoman Bailey. None voting nay, the motion was unanimously adopted.

The Mayor and Aldermen discussed whether they should go into executive session. Alderwoman Bailey moved to go into executive session to discuss Personnel Action Forms/Hold Discussions for the following: Longevity Pay-Fire; Discussion - Transaction of business and discussions or negotiations regarding the expansion of a medical service

The motion was seconded by Alderman Mayfield. Upon vote being taken, the following voted aye: Mayor Thompson, Alderwoman Bailey, Alderman Mayfield. The motion was adopted unanimously.

The Mayor and Aldermen announced they would go into executive session to discuss Personnel Action Forms/Hold Discussions for the following: Longevity Pay-Fire (1); Discussion - Transaction of business and discussions or negotiations regarding the expansion of a medical service

The Mayor and Aldermen are now in executive session.

Those present at the executive session were Mayor Thompson, Alderwoman Bailey, Alderman Mayfield, Brian Boykins - Chief of Staff, Kim Nailor, City Attorney, Keyona Henry-Associate City Attorney/Human Resource Director, Deborah A. Kaiser-Nickson - City Clerk, Jasmine Dillon - Deputy Clerk, Kathryn Truehart-Lieutenant

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

**A. [ID-26-0738](#) Longevity Pay - Fire (1)**

On motion of Alderwoman Bailey, seconded by Alderman Mayfield, the Mayor and Aldermen voted to Approve the Longevity Pay of a Lieutenant I by changing the hourly rate from \$14.56 to \$ 15.02. The employee is entitled to an additional \$.10 per hour increase for nine (9) year(s) of service, effective June 7, 2026. The motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

**B. [ID-26-0739](#) Discussion - Transaction of business and discussions or negotiations regarding the expansion of a medical service  
A Discussion was held.**

**C. [ID-26-0741](#) Discussion - Vicksburg Police Department  
A Discussion was held.**

**D. [ID-26-0756](#) Come Out of Executive Session and Approve All Items Taken Up in Executive Session  
On motion of Alderwoman Bailey, seconded by Alderman Mayfield, the Mayor and Aldermen voted to Come Out of Executive Session and Approve All Items Taken Up in Executive Session. The motion was adopted unanimously by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey

## Adjournment

On motion of Alderwoman Bailey, seconded by Alderman Mayfield, and unanimously passed, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock a.m., on Wednesday, June 10, 2026, to take up and act upon any and all matters that may come before the Board.

**MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

**CITY CLERK**

**Aye:** 3 - Mayor Thompson, Alderman Mayfield, and Alderwoman Bailey