SCHEDULED RECESSED MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 7, 2026
5:00 P.M.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: Amber Ware stated during the public hearing that she has not received no calls or complaints regarding the sign posted to notify the public of Kaitlin Corley's request to place a trailer house at 136 New Hope Rd Winona, MS 38967. She further stated that no concerns had been brought to her attention regarding the proposed placement.

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Winona, Mississippi met in a regularly scheduled recessed meeting at City Hall, Tuesday, JULY 7, 2026, at 5:00 P.M. with the following officers and members present, constituting a legal quorum, to-wit: Alderman Ward 1 Mickey Austin, Alderman Ward 2 Chris Herring, Alderwoman Ward 3 Katrina Bays, Alderwoman Ward 5 Linda Purnell, Interim City Clerk Kimberly White, and City Attorney Adam Kirk, with Mayor Jerry Flowers presiding over the meeting, where, and when the following business was had and done, to-wit:

Mayor Jerry Flowers called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.

Alderman Austin moved to approve the placement of Kaitlin Corley's mobile home on Mission Road. The motion was duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderwoman Bays, Alderwoman Purnell, Alderman Herring, and Alderman Austin voted in favor of approving the mobile home placement. The motion carried.

SPECIAL GUESTS:

NAKITA JONES-WMCSD GOVERNORS AWARD: Nakita Jones presented an award to the City of Winona in recognition of its dedication and continued support of the local school. She expressed her gratitude for the department's prompt assistance whenever called upon and thanked the employees for their service and commitment to the community.

NORA DUNN APPROVAL OF USING COMMUNITY CENTER PARKING LOT: Nora Dunn appeared on behalf of her son, John Harris, who is working out to town, to request the use of the Community Center parking lot for a Community Day Party on August 1, 2026. The request included the use of the parking lot and restroom inside the facility at no charge.

Alderwoman Purnell moved to approve the use of the Community Center parking lot and restroom at the facility at no charge for the Community Day Party on August 1, 2026. Alderwoman Bays duly seconded the motion. Upon a vote, Alderwoman Bays, Alderwoman Purnell, Alderman Herring, and Alderman Austion voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

BARRY ESKRIDGE - AIRPORT GRANT: Mr. Eskridge addressed the Board regarding a grant application that is being prepared to fund the construction of a new aircraft hangars at the airport. He requested that the Board approve increasing the Airport Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 to $900,000 to provide the required matching funds for the grant. He also explained that the additional of the new hangars would generate rental income, which would help with the maintenance out at the airport. He then provided information on the number of the individuals who fly in and out of the airport and discussed the economic benefits the airport provides to the city.

Alderman Herring moved to increase the airport budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 to $900,000. The motion was duly seconded by Alderman Austin. Alderman Herring, Alderman Austin, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderwoman Purnell voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

JIMMY AND SHAWN WARE – BUILDING PLANNING/REZONING: Jimmy and Shawn Ware appeared before the board to request approval to rezone the property located at 1396 HWY 51 North for residential to commercial.

Alderman Austin made a motion to grant a variance for property 1396 HWY 51 North. The motion was seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderwoman Purnell and Alderwoman Bays opposed. Alderman Austin withdrew his motion.

Alderman Austin made a motion to schedule a public hearing regarding rezoning of 1396 HWY 51 North on August 4, 2026, board meeting. The motion was duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Purnell, Alderwoman Bays voted in favor of holding the public hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

MARY FULLILOVE -DISCUSS WATER/WATER METER ISSUE: Mary Fullilove updated the Board that she had contacted Sukey regarding her concerns. She stated that Sukey informed her she would review the matter upon returning to work and would follow up with her. Ms. Fullilove indicated that she would wait to hear back from Sukey regarding the issue.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 16TH REGULAR MEETING: Alderman Austin moved to approve the regular board meeting minutes from June 16, 2026. The motion was duly seconded by Alderman Herring. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL CALL MINUTES FROM JUNE 23RD: Alderman Herring moved to approve the special call board meeting minutes from June 23, 2026. The motion was duly seconded by Alderwoman Bays. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL TO REMOVE TRACY HOLCOMB FROM ALL BANK ACCOUNTS: Alderwoman Bays moved to remove Tracy Holcomb from all city bank accounts and any other login credentials or access information related to the city business. The motion was duly seconded by Alderwoman Purnell. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT FOR BRISTER DRIVE WASTEWATER PUMP STATION REHABILITATION:

Alderman Austin moved approve payment of the invoice for the Brister Drive Wastewater Pump Station Rehabilitation in the amount of $77,118.34. The motion was duly seconded by Alderman Herring. The motion carried unanimously.

PAYMENT OF REGULAR BILLS: Alderman Austin moved to pay the bills listed on the Docket of Claims, numbered 47017-47114 deduction checks authorized by lay, all employer contribution checks for social security and retirement for the month of July, and the Water Department refund checks from the customer deposit accounts as listed on the refund check register dated July 2026 be approved for payment, duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderwoman Purnell and Alderwoman Bays opposed the motion. Mayor Flowers broke the tie by voting in favor of the motion. The motion carried by majority vote.

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WATER & SEWER ADJUSTMENT REQUESTS: Batch water and sewer adjustment requests were presented to the Board. Alderwoman Bays moved to issue the following water and sewer adjustments to the accounts based on the factual determination that the customers did not receive the benefit of the utility services, duly seconded by Alderman Herring. The motion carried unanimously.

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RENTAL REIMBURSEMENTS: Mayor Flowers requested the board to entertain a motion to reimburse community house and community center rental deposit. Alderwoman Purnell moved to reimburse the deposit for the Community House for the following: Tina Griffin and Denetrice Duren; and the deposit for the Community Center for the following: Veanna Elder Alice Alexnader; duly seconded by Alderman Austin. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderwoman Purnell voted in favor of reimbursement. Motion carried unanimously.

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OLD BUSINESS:

WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES: No discussion.

NEW BUSINESS:

APPROVAL FOR RESOLUTION (DELTA REGIONAL AUTHORITY & APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT:

Alderman Austin moved to approve the resolution for the Delta Regional Authority and Appalachian Region Commission for Water Treatment Plant. The motion was duly seconded by Alderwoman

Bays. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderwoman Purnell voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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APPROVAL FOR CIF APPLICATION (DELTA REGIONAL AUTHORITY TO REHAB WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND APPLY FOR ARC):

Alderman Austin moved to approve the CIF application to rehab water treatment plant and apply for the ARC. The motion was duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderwoman Purnell voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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MAYOR/BOARD MEMBERS/ATTORNEY/DEPT HEADS REPORT

- BARRETT JOHNSON – FIRE CHIEF: Barrett reported that he received a complaint regarding the fireworks stand not being compliance. He stated that he met with the owner and provided a letter outlining the compliance issues. The owner was given 14days from the date of the letter to resolve the issue. The owner assured Barrett that the matter would be addressed.

  Barrett also requested that the Board require that all future fireworks stand owner to meet with the Fire Chief at least 30days prior to setup for the upcoming season to ensure all requirements are met and the stand is complying.

  Alderwoman Bays moved to approve that all future fireworks stand owners meet with the Fire Chief at least 30days prior to setup to ensure that there are following all applicable requirement. The motion was duly seconded by Alderman Herring. The motion carried unanimously.

- AMBER WARE – CODE ENFORCEMENT: Amber Ware reported to the Board that Mississippi State University offers a program providing free neutering services. She requested the Board's approval to use the City vehicle to transport dogs to Starkville for the service, approximately once every three months.

  Alderman Herring moved to approve Amber Ware use of a city vehicle to transport dogs to Starkville to receive neutering services. The motion was duly seconded by Alderwoman Purnell. The motion carried unanimously.

- STEPHANYE PEEPLES – COURT CLERK: Stephanye Peeples presented the monthly Municipal Court report to the Board. She also requested approval to attend the Municipal Court Class on July 30, 2026, at 10am in Oxford, Ms., at no cost to the City. Additionally, she requested approval to attend the Municipal Court Clerk Conference, which will be held September 16-18, 2026, at the IP Resort in Biloxi, Mississippi.

  Alderman Herring moved to approve Stephanye Peeples' attendance at the Municipal Court Clerk Class in Oxford, Mississippi, on July 30, 2026, as well as the Municipal Court Clerk Conference at the IP resort in Biloxi, Mississippi, September 16-18, 2026.The motion was duly seconded by Alderwoman Bays. The motion carried unanimously.

- MAYOR: The mayor brought to the Board's attention that the City's contract with Waste Management is approaching its expiration and discussed whether to renew the agreement or solicit competitive bids for the City's waste disposal services before October 1, 2026.

  After discussion, Alderwoman Bays move to advertise for competitive bids for the City's waste disposal services before October 1, 2026, before entering into a new contract with Waste Management. The motion was duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austion, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderwoman Purnell voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

  The mayor presented an advertising order form from Winona Christian School to the Board for the purchase of a half-page, full-color advertisement in the amount of $150.00.

Alderman Herring moved to approve the half-page, full color ad from the Winona Christian School in the amount of $150.00. The motion was duly seconded by Alderman Austion. The motion carried unanimously.

- ALDERWOMAN BAYS: Alderwoman Bays asked about the status of Snitch. The mayor informed the Board that Snitch had been picked up and is being housed at Dr. Hill Veterinary until the Board determines how they wish to proceed.

- ALDERWOMAN PURNELL: Alderwoman Purnell expressed concern about the cleanliness of the street following the use of fireworks. She suggested that the Board might need to consider implementing a plan to ensure that fireworks debris is cleaned up after celebrations.

- ALDERMAN AUSTIN: Alderman Austin stated that the Board should consider reopening the recycling bin if the city decides to move to once-a-week garbage collection. He suggested that the matter can be discussed at a future meeting after the Board reaches a decision regarding the City's waste disposal service.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mayor entertains a motion to go into executive session. Everyone was asked to leave the meeting except for the Mayor, Board, City Attorney, Interim Chief Johnny Hargrove, and Interim City Clerk Kimberly White. Alderwoman Purnell moved to go into Executive Session to discuss a legal matter, duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, Alderwoman Purnell voted in favor of executive session. Attorney Adam Kirk notified the spectators that the Board had gone into Executive Session.

Mayor, board, and attorney discussed the legal matters. At the conclusion of the discussion, Alderwoman Bays moved to conclude the Executive Session and resume the open meeting, duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, Alderman Purnell voted in favor of exiting the executive session. The open meeting then resumed. No action taken.

ADJOURN: Alderwoman Bays moved to recess meeting; duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, Alderwoman Purnell voted to adjourn. It was ordered that the meeting be recessed until next appointed time unless it becomes necessary to reconvene before that time.

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Jerry A. Flowers, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberly White, Interim City Clerk