

SCHEDULED RECESSED MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 03, 2026
5:00 P.M.

OPEN BIDS FOR DEBRIS MONITORING

Bid packet was received by the following: DebrisTech. Alderwoman Bays moved to accept the bid packet from the above-mentioned company and to take the bid under advisement; duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderman Herring, and Alderman Harris voted in favor of accepting the bid and take it under advisement. Motion carried unanimously.

OPEN BIDS FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL

Bid packets were received by the following: RPF Emergency Services, Looks Great Services of Mississippi, and DRC Emergency Services. Alderman Harris moved to accept the bid packets from the above-mentioned companies and to take the bids under consideration; duly seconded by Alderwoman Bays. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted in favor of accepting the bids and take them under consideration. Motion carried unanimously.

OPEN BIDS FOR TREE REMOVAL ON CITY RIGHT OF WAY: Bids were received from the following: Caldwell Tree Service, Montgomery Tree & Lawn Service, and UnderDog Tree and Lawn Service. Bids were requested for two (2) separate properties. The first location is at 811 Campbell Street and the second is located at 125 Shirley Avenue. Caldwell bid for the Campbell Street location was \$6,000.00 and for the Shirley Drive location was \$3,500.00. Montgomery bid for the Campbell Street location was \$6,500.00 and for the Shirley Drive location was \$3,500.00. Underdog bid for the Campbell Street location was \$2,300.00 – only taking the tree down to the utility line. Alderman Harris moved to table the matter; duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted in favor of tabling the matter. Motion carried unanimously.

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, March 03, 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, Alderman Ward 4 Charles Harris, City Clerk Tracy Holcomb, 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.

WELCOME GUESTS

CHARLES COSTILOW - New Hope Road Request, 16 x 31.5 building to be moved to New Hope Road. Alderman Austin moved to allow Mr. Costilow to move his small house there; duly seconded by Alderman Harris. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted in favor of allowing the tiny house.

ANNA TURNER - Farmer's Market Request for \$15,000 to help promote and support the local farmer's market.

AMBER WARE - Amber presented to the board a date for the downtown festival on Front Street of July 25, 2026, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Alderman Harris moved to accept the date and provide police assistance; duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted in favor of the date. Amber also presented to the board of a community Easter Egg Hunt on March 21st from 10 a.m. to 12. Age group for the hunt is from 1-12. Alderman Herring moved to accept date for Easter Egg Hunt; Alderman Harris seconded motion. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted in favor of the community Easter Egg Hunt.

TONY YOUNG - Parking on Frontage Road at Pilot for 18 wheelers: Alderman Austin moved to allow local truckers to park on Frontage Road with the possibility of fines if the area is not kept clean; duly seconded by Alderman Harris. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted in favor of allowing local truckers to park their rigs overnight on the Frontage Road in front of Pilot.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Alderman Austin moved to approve the minutes from the February 17, 2026, duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, and Alderwoman Bays voted to approve the minutes. Alderman Harris abstained.

PAYMENT OF REGULAR BILLS: Alderman Harris moved to pay the bills listed on the Docket of Claims, numbered 46043 – 46115 deduction checks authorized by law, all employer contribution checks for social security and retirement for the month of March, and the Water Department refund checks from the customer deposit accounts as listed on the refund check register dated March

2026 be approved for payment, duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Harris, and Alderman Herring voted in favor of paying the bills. Alderwoman Bays opposed. Motion carried by majority vote.

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 Harris. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voting unanimously in favor of the adjustments.

RENTAL REIMBURSEMENTS: Mayor Flowers requested the board to entertain a motion to reimburse community house and community center rental deposits. Alderman Harris moved to reimburse the deposit for the Community House for the following: Gregory Freeman; duly seconded by Alderwoman Bays. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted in favor of reimbursements. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

EDITH LOGGINS: Edith Loggins requested for additional time to complete work on the roof at 112 Greenlee Street. Alderman Harris moved to allow additional time; duly seconded by Alderwoman Bays. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted in favor of additional time due to the winter storm hindering her progress. New date for appearance is May 05, 2026.

APPROVE ADVERTISING FOR BIDS ON THE BOB WRIGHT PROPERTY: Alderman Harris moved to advertise for bids on the Bob Wright property; duly seconded by Alderwoman Bays. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted unanimously in favor of advertising for bids. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

MIKE NARMOUR – REC PARK: Mike requested to hire McKenzie Jones, Katherine Vickers, Oakley Chumney, and Tyanna Elder as concession workers for \$7.50 hourly. Alderman Harris moved to hire the above-mentioned individuals; duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted in favor of the hires.

ROSHAUN DANIELS – POLICE CHIEF: Chief Daniels requested the board to approve promoting B. J. Edwards to Assistant Chief with a \$1 pay increase. Alderman Austin moved to promote B. J. to Assistant Chief; duly seconded by Alderman Harris. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted in favor of the promotion.

Chief Daniels requested the board to approve promoting Patrolman Devarius Smith to Sergeant. Alderman Austin moved to promote Davarius Smith to Sergeant at the rate of pay for Sgt; duly seconded by Alderman Harris. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted in favor of the promotion.

BARRETT JOHNSON – FIRE CHIEF: Chief Johnson requested for the board to promote Michael Johnson to Lieutenant with a pay increase to \$17.50 hourly. Alderman Harris moved to promote Michael Johnson to Lieutenant with the pay increase, duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted in favor of the promotion.

Chief Johnson requested to increase Gwain Jefcoat's pay to \$17.50 since the 90-day probation period is past. Alderman Harris moved to increase Gwain's pay to \$17.50; duly seconded by Alderman Austin. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted in favor of the pay increase.

Chief Johnson presented quotes for a skid unit in the amount of \$18,003 and \$18,458, and requested the board accept the bid for \$18,458 from Sunbelt. The Ellard Foundation will reimburse the city up to \$10,000 on the unit. Alderman Harris moved to accept the bid for \$18,458, duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted to accept the bid from Sunbelt for \$18,458. Motion carried unanimously.

KENNY BEAVERS – STREET DEPARTMENT: Kenny reported to the board that Zykeese Gunn aka Moo – Moo was injured off the job and broke his wrist. He came by and asked if he could do light duty work based on the specifications given by the medical provider. It was discovered that he was not wearing the cast. Based on the limitations placed upon Moo-Moo, and the fact that he had removed the cast himself, Kenny requested that the board send Moo-Moo home until he has been released by a doctor. Alderman Harris moved to send Moo – Moo home until he can come back to work without limitations that prevent him from doing his job; duly seconded by Alderman Herring, Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted send him home until we receive a doctor’s notice. Motion carried unanimously.

PATRICIA CURINGTON – WATER/WASTEWATER: Patricia Curington presented a letter of resignation from Jason Ables. Alderman Austin moved to accept the letter of resignation; duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted to accept the letter of resignation. Motion carried unanimously.

Curington requested the board to hire Rianna Purnell as a lab tech at \$15.00 an hour with a pay increase of \$.50 after 90 days. Alderman Harris moved to hire Purnell; duly seconded by Alderwoman Bays. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted to hire Purnell. Motion carried unanimously.

Curington requested to attend the MSRWA EXPO March 24th and 25th in Brandon, Mississippi. Alderman Harris moved to approve Curington’s attendance to MSRWA EXPO; duly seconded by Alderwoman Bays. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted to approve Curington’s attendance. Motion carried unanimously.

JERRY FLOWERS – MAYOR: Mayor presented a letter of resignation for Mary Ables. Alderman Herring moved to accept the letter of resignation; duly seconded by Alderwoman Bays. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted to accept the letter of resignation. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor presented an ad for Winona High School. Alderman Austin moved to do the half page ad for \$180.00; duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted to pay for an ad in the high school annual. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor presented an invoice from DebrisTech in the amount of \$44,166.23. Alderman Harris moved to pay invoice; duly seconded by Alderman Austin. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted to pay the invoice for DebrisTech. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor presented an invoice from Insight in the amount of \$38,101.04. Alderman Harris moved to pay invoice; duly seconded by Alderman Herring. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted to pay the invoice. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor requested the board extend the Proclamation of Existence of A Local Emergency for an additional thirty (30) days. Alderman Harris moved to extend the Proclamation an additional thirty (30) days; duly seconded by Alderman Austin. Alderman Austin, Alderman Herring, Alderwoman Bays, and Alderman Harris voted for the extension. Motion carried unanimously.

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

SEAL


Jerry A. Flowers, Mayor

ATTEST:


Tracy Holcomb, City Clerk

