

MINUTES

MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN TOWN OF WALLS REGULAR MEETING

AUG. 4, 2026

5:30 P.M.

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN TOOK PLACE AUG. 4, 2026 AT TOWN HALL LOCATED AT 9087 NAIL RD., WALLS, MS. 38680.

MAYOR HENDERSON CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 5:34 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE:

ALDERMAN BRUNO LAUER
ALDERMAN KEITH WHITE
ALDERWOMAN REGINA BARNES-YOUNG
COURT CLERK KIM WILLIAMS
DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF ERIK CREASY
DEPUTY CLERK NEKKI SYKES

ALDERMAN CALVIN FARMER
ALDERMAN LARON PRESLEY
TOWN CLERK KATHY P. GORDON
POLICE CHIEF JAYLIN JAMES
MAJOR DAVID VILLALOBOS

THOSE ABSENT: CITY ATTORNEY EMILY PARKER (VIA PHONE), FIRE CHIEF MIKE HANCOCK.

DAPHNE FREEMAN, BRIAN LENTZ AND BETH SHAMLY REQUESTED A BUDGET CONSIDERATION FYE 2027 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000.00.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT: CHIEF JAMES REPORTED THERE WERE 457 CALLS FOR SERVICE, 245 TRAFFIC STOPS, 120 EXTRA PATROLS AND 32 ARRESTS. THOSE WERE 29 WARRANTS, 2 POSSESSION OF PARAPHERNALIA, 1 SUSPENDED DRIVERS LICENSE AND 1 AUTO BURGLARY X 3 (DCSO). CHIEF JAMES INTRODUCED POSSIBLE NEW HIRE FOR FULL TIME POLICE OFFICER RONNIE PARNELL.

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: DEPUTY CHIEF CREASY REPORTED THAT THEY HAD 2 VEHICLE FIRES, 1 CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTOR ACTIVATIONS, 1 ASSIST LAW ENFORCEMENT, 41 MEDICAL ILLNESS ASSIST EMS, 7 MVA WITH INJURIES, 1 TRAUMATIC INJURY, 2 CANCELLED CALLS, 4 FALSE ALARMS, 1 SMOKE SCARE, 1 CITIZEN ASSIST SERVICE CALL, AND 1 MV EXTRACTION.

COURT CLERKS REPORT: CLERK WILLIAMS REPORTED THE COURT COLLECTED \$ 2,675.50 FOR JULY 2026, IN COMPARISON TO \$ 12,988.25 IN JULY OF 2025. OUR NEXT COURT DATES ARE AUG. 13TH AND AUG. 27TH.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT: CLERK GORDON REPORTED THAT AUG. 6TH A PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING FOR RECOMMENDATION FOR REZONING FOR ROB ABBAY AND RAY GLIDEWELLS APPLICATION FOR HIS VARIANCE. WE WILL HAVE TO HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING ON BOTH. FOOD DRIVE WAS OVER BUT WE REALLY HAD A GREAT TURNOUT THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER. WE RECIEVED OUR JULY TAX MODERNIZATION CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 58,757.92. REMINDER OF THE BLACK CAUCUS CONFERENE AT THE GOLD STRIKE AUG. 6TH-8TH. ALDERMAN LAUER ASKED IF THERE WAS AN ORDINANCE IN REGARDS TO MAIL BOXES. I TOLD HIM I WAS UNAWARE OF THE TOWN HAVING ANYTHING LIKE THAT.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: ATTORNEY PARKER STATED WE WOULD NEED AN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN JULY 7, 2026.

B. MOTION TO APPROVE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN JULY 17,2026.

C. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PAID CLAIMS DOCKETS #'S 15039-15071.

D. MOTION TO APPROVE UNPAID CLAIMS DOCKET #'S 15072-15079.

E. MOTION TO APPROVE TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FOR KIM WILLIAMS TO ATTEND MUNICIPAL CLERKS CERTIFICATION SEPT. 23-25,2026 IN OXFORD, MS.

F. MOTION TO APPROVE TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FOR KIM WILLIAMS TO ATTEND THE COURT CLERK'S CONFERENCE IN BILOXI,MS SEPT. 16TH-18TH,2026.

G. MOTION TO APPROVE THE MAYOR AND SAID ALDERMEN REGISTRATION AND TRAVEL EXPENSES TO ATTEND THE MML SMALL TOWN CONFERENCE OCT. 8TH-9TH, 2026 IN HATTIESBURG,MS.

H. MOTION TO APPROVE TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FOR THE MAYOR AND SAID ALDERMEN TO ATTEND THE MML MID-WINTER CONFERENCE JAN. 12TH-14TH, 2027 IN JACKSON,MS.

I. MOTION TO APPROVE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES MEMBERSHIP FEE OF \$ 670.00.

J. MOTION TO APPROVE TO HIRE RONNIE PARNELL AS FULL TIME POLICE OFFICER AT\$ 19.43 HOUR EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION REGULAR BOARD MEETING
GO INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR POSSIBLE LITIGATION**

Motion was duly made by Alderman Lauer and seconded by Alderwoman Young to approve to go into closed session to discuss going into executive session for possible litigation

A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "AYE": Alderman Lauer, Alderman White, Alderman Presley , Alderman Farmer
Alderwoman Young.

Those voting "NAY": NONE

ORDERED AND DONE this 4TH Day of August , 2026

Time In: 6:09 P.M.

Time out: 6:09 P.M.

GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR POSSIBLE LITIGATION

Motion was duly made by Alderwoman Young and seconded by Alderman Lauerto approve to go into executive session for possible litigation.

A vote was taken with the following results.

Those voting "AYE": Alderman Lauer, Alderman Presley , Alderman White, Alderman Farmer,
Alderwoman Young

Those voting "NAY": NONE

ORDERED AND DONE this 4TH Day of August. 2026

Time In: 6:10 P.M.

Time out: 6:44 P.M.

COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was duly made by Alderman Lauer and seconded by Alderwoman Young to approve to come out of executive session for possible litigation.

A vote was taken with the following results,

Those voting "AYE": Alderman Lauer, Alderman White, Alderman Presley, Alderman Farmer
Alderwoman Young.

Those voting "NAY": NONE

ORDERED AND DONE this 4th Day of August , 2026

Time In: 6:45 P.M.

Time Out: 6:45 P.M.

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN LAUER AND SECONDED BY ALDERMAN WHITE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. ALL ALDERMEN VOTED "AYE" AND MOTION CARRIED WITH A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

GENERAL DISCUSSION: THE MAYOR UPDATED US ON THE FALL FESTIVAL AND THAT THIS YEAR IT WOULD BE SEPT. 19TH. FROM 10:00-6:00 AND THAT THEY WOULD BE HONORING CLARENCE CHRISTIAN. MAYOR ALSO ENCOURAGED ANYONE WHO COULD ATTEND THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES SUMMIT TO DO SO.

ADJOURN: WITH THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN LAUER AND SECONDED BY ALDERMAN WHITE TO ADJOURN. ALL ALDERMEN VOTED "AYE" AND MOTION CARRIED WITH A UNANIMOUS VOTE. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:45 P.M.

SO ORDERED AND DONE THIS

4TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2026


KEIDRON HENDERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:


KATHY P. GORDON, TOWN CLERK