BE IT REMEMBERED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Pass Christian, Mississippi met on the above date at the Municipal Court Bldg., 105 Hiern Avenue, Pass Christian, Mississippi, at 6:00 p.m., same being the time and place for said meeting.

PRESENT: Mayor Kenny Torgeson, Alderman at Large Victor Pickich, Alderman Barry Dreyfus, Alderman Joe Piernas, Alderman Kirk Kimball (Phone until 7:54 p.m.), Alderman Greg Federico, City Attorney, Jim Simpson, and City Clerk, Marian Governor

There being a quorum present to transact the business of the City, the following proceedings were had and done.

Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved the agenda for the October 30, 2025, Regular Board of Alderman Meeting.

Proclamation for Marie Lamb

Proclamation for Susan Putnam

Proclamation honoring author Imani Perry

#### *ADMINISTRATIVE*

Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved Resolution and Water Tank Maintenance Agreements concerning the Municipal Water Tanks located at Bayview Street and East Second Street between the City of Pass Christian and American Tank maintenance, LLC to be funded out of the Internet Fund, as request by City Clerk, Marian Governor. A-1

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## **MINUTE BOOK 153**

October 7, 2025

Alderman Dreyfus	Aye
Alderman Piernas	Aye
Alderman Kimball	Aye
Alderman Federico	Aye
Alderman Pickich	Aye

Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Barry Dreyfus the Board unanimously approved to table having a workshop with Board and Department Heads to discuss meeting protocol, as requested by Alderman Piernas.

Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved adoption of Ordinance No. 712, which revises minimum water charges for residential and commercial meters larger than two inches and for usage exceeding 25,000 gallons per month. The ordinance also establishes an annual 2% increase to water and sewage rates, effective each October beginning in FY2026, consistent with the approved FY25–26 Budget.

Alderman Dreyfus	Aye
Alderman Piernas	Aye
Alderman Kimball	Aye
Alderman Federico	Aye
Alderman Pickich	Aye

### **EVENTS**

Upon motion of Alderman Kirk Kimball and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved request for St. Paul's Carnival Charity BBQ event Friday October 24th at 845 E. Scenic Drive, Pass Christian. Public Works will leave equipment from prior event (Toast to the Coast) at the location to aid resources. The following additional resources are requested, this bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities of the City, as requested by Alderman Kimball.

- Barricades & cones
- Digital traffic sign
- Use of the City's stage
- Use of the Harbor's Dumpster & Facilities (If needed)
- Trash Cans
- Generators
- Power supply outlet board
- Other needs as deemed necessary by the Mayor

Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved to allow Live Oak Cemetery Association to have Public Works bring City barriers to close St. Louis Ave. from near the dog park to Church Street on November 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> for the Annual Cemetery Tours. They will need 6 at each end of the street. (SECURITY). The area would be closed off from approximately 4-9 pm. This bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities of the City, as requested by Mary Bourdin, Representative.

Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved Pass Christian Public School District use of War Memorial Park on March 21, 2026, for their Annual Read, Write and Run for Renaissance 5K/l Mile Run & Kindness Fair Fundraising Event. School resource officers were able to provide police presence at the event in previous years. This brings favorable notice to the resources and opportunities of the City, as requested by Nathan Claret, School Counselor. E-3

Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved City sponsorship (\$100.00) for the Holiday Golf tournament held on October 18, 2025 by the PC Volunteer Fire Department to help purchase Christmas gift for needy children in the community, this brings favorable notice and recognition to the City, as requested by Alderman

Peirnas. E-4

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved request to hire Jackson Logan and Garett Babin as probationary Firefighters, start date October 10,2025, pending background checks and physical/drug screens, with a one (1) year probationary period. Starting pay will be \$12.57 per hour, as requested by Fire Chief Woodman. F-1

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Upon motion of Alderman Greg Federico and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board approved to appeal recommendation/decision of the Planning Commission on September 30, 2025, for 480 Royal Oak Drive for William (Skip) Williams, Jr., whereas Planning Commission recommended to remove rocks and gravel and replace with grass in the middle section to create two 12ft driveways with grass on each side. Applicant would like to submit front load variance request as per his original application as submitted, as requested by Melodie Hayes, City Planner. P-1

> Alderman Dreyfus Nay Alderman Piernas Nay Alderman Kimball Aye Alderman Federico Aye Alderman Pickich Aye

### CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved items 1-4, 6-33 Community Development items moved to Consent Agenda in previous motion.

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- Approved Administration: Payment Application No. 1 (Final) for Emergency Repairs to Lift
   Station #31 in the amount of \$11,858.00 payable to DNA Underground, LLC, as requested by City
   Engineer, Bob Escher, P.E. CA-1
- 2. Approved Administration: authorize the advertisement of the Lift Rehabilitation Phase II GOMESA 2024, as requested by City Engineer, Bob Escher, P.E.
- 3. Approved Administration: Pay Application #6 in the amount of \$34,071.75 to Calder Co. for Fire Station #1 with a remaining balance of \$61,349.65 funded through the 2025 Bond Series fund, as requested by Project Architect, Leah Watters. CA-3
- 4. Approved Administration: payment to Overstreet and Associates for invoice #3959 and invoice #3963 in the amount of \$38,459.05 for 1256 and 1257 North St. Gravity Sewer Phase II and III, reimbursable by GOMESA Grant, and the funds are available as confirmed by Marian Governor, City Clerk. CA-4
- 5. Approved Administration: Interlocal Governmental Cooperation Agreement with Harrison County, MS for the County for tax assessments and collections for the years of 2025-2028, subject to being ratified or rejected by the new City Administration that will take office on July 1, 2028, as recommended by the Mayor Torgeson. CA-5

Alderman Dreyfus Aye Alderman Piernas Aye Alderman Kimball Aye Alderman Federico Aye Alderman Pickich Aye

- 6. Approved: Administration: contract for Collection of Delinquent Fees, Fines, and Assessments for the Municipal Court with McCreary, Veselka, Bragg & Allen, P.C. t, as recommended by Judge Negrotto. CA-6
- 7. Approved Beautification: accepting check in the amount of \$578.00 from Syd Nelson for

- replacement of 2 trees in 2–30-gallon containers and increase budget line item 001.502.508 (Plants &Shrubs), as requested by Beautification Director, Brad Manus.
- 8. Approved Beautification: accepting payment in the amount of \$355.72.00 from Mary Jo

  Montagna for replacement of 1 tree in 1–30-gallon containers and pruning. Increase budget line
  item 001.502.508 (Plants &Shrubs), as requested by Beautification Director, Brad Manus.
- 9. Approved Court: refund request of \$1,000.00 to James Gambrell. Mr. Gambrell paid a \$1,000.00 bond at HCADC on August 4, 2024. On August 21, 2024, the charges were withdrawn by the officer. A full refund of \$1,000.00 is requested, as requested by Judge Negrotto. CA-9
- 10. Approved Court: refund request of \$1,500.00 to Attorney Donald Rafferty. Mr. Rafferty paid a cash bond in the amount of \$1,500.00 for Irving Delavallade at the HCADC. Mr. Delavallade was heard on September 10, 2025, and the charge was dismissed. A full refund of \$1,500.00 is requested, as requested by Judge Negrotto. CA-10
- 11. Approved Court: refund request of \$168.75 to John K Stewart. Mr. Stewart paid a \$200.00 cash bond June 13, 2025. On September 10, 2025, \$31.25 was applied to Mr. Stewart's old fines leaving a balance of \$168.75 to be refunded, as requested by Judge Negrotto. CA-11
- 12. Approved -Fire: ratifying accepting Brandon Sellier resignation from full time Firefighter to part time firefighter, as requested by Fire Chief Woodman. CA-12
- 13. Approved Fire: Co-hosting Coastal Magnolia F.O.O.L.S. Vehicle Extrication Class on November 15, 2025, at the Pass Christian Fire Training Facility, and the old seniors wing of the Randolph Center for lunch and restrooms. This training will cover vehicle extrication with an emphasis on patient care and EMS interoperability. There will be approximately 60 attendees and 10 guaranteed spots for PCFD personnel, as requested by Fire Chief Woodman. CA-13
- 14. Approved Fire: Chief Woodman's request to send Firefighter Darren McCaleb to attend HAZARDOUS MATERIALS TECHNICIAN LEVEL I, NFPA 470 at The MSFA November 17-Dec

- 05, 2025, the Course is free, per diem \$224, (001-220-610) and use of City Vehicle, as requested by Fire Chief Woodman. CA-14
- 15. Approved Fire: request to send Jaclyn Laughlin, Jeff Klemmer, and Jeremy McLead to attend training for G-400 October 21-22. no course fee held in Jackson County EMA, Pascagoula and use of a City Vehicle, as requested by Fire Chief Woodman.
- 16. Approved Fire: request to transfer the scale (Asset ID: 01568) and ping pong table from the Senior Center to the Fire Department for staff wellness and training purposes, as requested by Fire Chief Woodman.
- 17. Approved Fire: ratifying renewal of Spectrum Lease which operates a Sensus wireless utility meter reading system, as requested by Fire Chief Woodman. CA-17
- 18. Approved Planning: motion to approve a lot split located at 216 Fernwood Drive, Timber Ridge Subdivision, Parcel# 0312M-02-118.000, Zone T3, as requested by Melodie Hayes, City Planner. CA-18
- 19. Approved –Planning: motion to approve a variance for front load parking for the property located at 120 Poplar Pt in Timber Ridge Subdivision, parcel# 0312L-01-110.000 Zone T3R, as requested by Melodie Hayes, City Planner. CA-19
- 20. Approved Planning: motion to approve a Lot Re-Subdivision/Lot Re-Configuration of previously approved application for lots 1A and 1B of the Young's Point Subdivision located at 0 Holly Point Drive, Parcel#0312L-01-090.000 & 0312L-01-090.12, as requested by Melodie Hayes, City Planner. CA-20
- 21. Approved Planning: motion to approve a zone change from High Hazard Commercial to T3R, for the property located at 228 E North St and surrounding, Parcel# 0312P-02-014.001, 0313A-04-073.000 and, 0313A-04-050.000, as requested by Melodie Hayes, City Planner. CA-21
- 22. Approved Planning: motion to approve a zone change from High Hazard Commercial to T3R, for

- the properties located at 0 East North Street, 0 Davis Ave, 0 Rafferty Drive and surrounding parcels. Parcels # 0312P-02-014.000, 0313A-04-011.000, 0313A-04-009.000, 0313A-04-002.000, as requested by Melodie Hayes, City Planner. CA-22
- 23. Approved: Planning: motion to name Terry Gibson as Chairman of the Tree Board with Ava O'Dwyer as the pro-teim, as requested by Melodie Hayes, City Planner.
- 24. Approved Planning: motion to move Chris Daniel to an alternate Tree Board Member Position.

  This will open two vacancies on the Tree Board, which will be appointed by the Mayor, as requested by Melodie Hayes, City Planner. CA-24
- 25. Approved Planning: motion to change the Tree Board Meeting Time from 3:30 pm to 10:00am. Meeting will still be conducted on the third Thursday of each month, as requested by Melodie Hayes, City Planner.
- 26. Approved Police: accepting Oath of Office from Officer Roody Estain, as requested by Police Chief Freeman. CA-26
- 27. Approved Police: ratifying the rental Agreement for one (1) 20-ton air conditioning unit for the Police Department/EOC as an emergency rental at a monthly rate of \$4,146.30 beginning September 15, 2025, as requested by Police Chief Freeman. CA-27
- 28. Approved Police: ratifying the rental Agreement for two (2) 1-ton Spot Cooling air conditioning unit for the Police Department/Dispatch/Server Room as an emergency rental at a monthly rate of \$1,968.00 beginning September 9, 2025, as requested by Police Chief Freeman. CA-28
- 29. Approved -Police: ratifying application to third quarter 2025 Walmart Community Grant in the amount of \$5,000, award to be divided between Police Department and Fire Department. If awarded, this grant would purchase promotional items needed for community events. There is no match for this grant, as requested by Police Chief Freeman. CA-29
- 30. Approved Public Works: ratifying resignation from assistant mechanic, Robert Kelly, effective

September 30, 2025 and pay him for any comp-time and vacation pay per City policy that he may have accrued while employed and authorize advertising for this position, as requested by Public Works Director, Kirk Ladner. CA-30

- 31. Approved Recreation: yearly annual subscription with the company Stack Sports. The subscription cost is \$499.00 a year and will benefit the Recreation Department in having their own website for online registration for all upcoming sports and events, field rental prices, and many more tools to enhance the customer service experience for the department, as recommended by Recreation Director Bret Bentz. CA-31
- 32. Approved Administration: minutes of September 15, 2025, Budget Adoption 2025/2025, with changes, as requested by Deputy City Clerk, Dawn Sanders. CA-32
- 33. Approved Administration: minutes of September 16, 2025, Regular Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting, with changes, as requested by Deputy City Clerk, Dawn Sanders. CA-33
- 34. Approved Adminstration: minutes of September 30, 2025, Special Recess meeting, with changes, as requested by Deputy City Clerk, Dawn Sanders. CA-34

Alderman Dreyfus Aye Alderman Piernas Nay Alderman Kimball Aye Alderman Federico Aye Alderman Pickich Aye

#### CLAIMS DOCKET

Upon motion of Alderman Greg Federico and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved the Claims Docket in the amount of \$157,774.38. CD-1

Upon motion of Alderman Barry Dreyfus and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved the Claims Docket in the amount of \$177,371.06. CD-1

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas the Board unanimously approved going into Closed Session to see if they need to go into Closed Session to see if they need to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matter in the Harbor Department, as requested by Mayor Kenny Torgeson.

Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved coming out of closed session.

Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved going into Executive Session to discuss personnel matter in the Harbor Department, as requested by Mayor Kenny Torgeson.

Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Barry Dreyfus the Board unanimously approved coming out of Executive Session.

The Board took no action concerning personnel matter in the Harbor Department.

Upon motion of Alderman Barry Dreyfus and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved to recess at 8:05 p.m. until the next regularly schedule Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting on October 21, 2025.

REGULAR MEETING

# MINUTE BOOK 153

October 7, 2025

10-21-2025

Date

10-21-2025 Date

City Clerk