

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, Alderman Greg Federico, City Attorney, Jim Simpson, and Deputy Clerk, Dawn Sanders

Absent: 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 Barry Dreyfus and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved the agenda for the September 16, 2025, Regular Board of Aldermen Meeting.

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved proclamation for Donna Newton as lifetime member of the Tree Board.

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Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved proclamation for Butterfly Festival.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

The Board took no action on discussing the City's Sign Ordinance, as requested by Alderman Piernas.

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Barry Dreyfus the Board unanimously approved WPSCO recommendation to award Phase One Hydrant Replacement (FH

with valves to A & C Industrial, best and lowest, in the amount of \$11,700.00 to be funded out of the Utility Fund. Two quotes were received, as recommended by Kermit Anthony, WSCO. A-2

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved rescinding the Will Serve Letter from the City of Pass Christian to Mid-South Companies LLC due to an undisclosed conflict of Interest by the former City attorney as described in BTD25-001, as requested by Alderman Barry Dreyfus. A-3

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved Resolution of Support of the proposal by Mid-South Companies LLS for a residential development (consisting of approx. 35 individual lots and additional condos to be built in later phases) to be constructed outside of the City Limits at Henderson Point. The City of Pass Christian will, in the future, negotiate to provide water to the development, as requested by Alderman Barry Dreyfus. A-4

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

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board approved hearing from Steve Bryan and Jimmy Gouras with Mid-South Companies LLS about Sunset Point Development at Henderson Point, as requested by Mayor Torgeson.

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

Alderman Pickich Nay

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EVENTS

Upon motion of Alderman Barry Dreyfus and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved request from the Pass Christian Police Department for use of the Fleitas Avenue Ball parking lot on Wednesday, October 29, 2025 from 5:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. (cars will begin setup at 5:30 pm, event starts at 6:00 p.m.) for the annual Trunk or Treat event, this bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities of the City, as requested by Police Chief Freeman.

- Barricades
- Personnel
- Any other resources the Mayor deems necessary

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved recommendation to hire Roody Estain to fill the existing vacancy effective September 26, 2025, and a starting salary of \$18.00 per hour plus holiday pay, pending urinalysis and psychological exam. Position has a one-year probationary period. This is a budgeted position, and funds are available as confirmed by City Clerk, as requested by Police Chief Freeman.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved items 1 – 4, 6 - 15 and 1- 4 Community Development items moved to

Consent Agenda in previous motion.

1. Approved – Administration: request to send Olivia Lewis to the Fall Certified Municipal Clerk seminar in Hattiesburg, MS on October 1-3, 2025. Registration fee is \$325.00, per diem \$84.00, lodging \$220.00 and mileage reimbursement \$95.00, as requested by Marian Governor, City Clerk. CA-1
2. Approved – Administration: accepting anonymous private source donation in the amount of \$2,500 to offset the Katrina Memorial expenses, as requested by Alderman Kimball. CA-2
3. Approved – Administration: donation to the Harrison County TRIAD /S.A.L.T. Council, for its service to the Senior Citizens of Harrison County and its Committees in the amount of \$500 for the budget year 2025-2026, as requested by Alice Russell and Grace Necaise, Representative CA-3
4. Approved - Administration: Pay Application #8 in the amount of \$46,300.00 to Edgerly Enterprises, LLC for St. Paul Village Infrastructure, Gulf Coast Restoration Fund, recommended by Jason Harrell AIA, Principal. CA-4
5. Approved - Administration: contract for Engineering Services with Covington Civil and Environmental for the 2024 GOMESA Sanitary Sewer Pump Station Repairs Project, recommended by City Engineer, Bob Escher. CA-5
6. Approved Community Development: Billy Dauphin and Brad Manus to attend the 25th Annual Carey Hammett Tree School in Metairie, LA, on Tuesday, October 7, 2025, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The class is free, and use of a city vehicle is required, as requested by Billy Dauphin, Director of Community Development. CA-6
7. Approved - Court: refund request of \$200.00 to George Gorman. Mr. Gorman paid a \$250.00 cash bond at the Pass Christian Police Department for a contempt charge. The charge was dismissed on 9/3/2025. Mr. Gorman requested a \$200.00 refund with the balance of \$50 to be applied to his old fines, as requested by Judge Negrotto. CA-7

8. Approved - Fire: request to hire Brandon Lafontaine and Julian Carey as Part-time Firefighters with a start date Sept 17, 2025, pending background check and drug screening. Starting pay will be \$12.02 per hour, as requested by Fire Chief Woodman.
9. Approved - Fire: surplus and disposal of the following asset, Stove/Oven Asset ID: 000420, as requested by Fire Chief Woodman.
10. Approved - Planning: a lot merge to combine three(3) lots into two(2) lots at the following locations: lots 55, 54 and part of lot 53 into lots 55 and 54 (which are currently known as 115 Wisteria Lane and 113 Wisteria Lane), specifically parcel numbers 0412P-03-046.000 and 0412P-03-045.000; of which are conforming T3R lots in both width and square footage. The current zone is T3R. The Planning/Code staff has reviewed and recommends the approval of the above-mentioned lot merge. Planning Commission has authorized lot merges and lot splits to be done administratively with the Planning Office the proceed to Board of Aldermen, as requested by Melodie Hayes, City Planner. CA-10
11. Approved - Planning: a lot merge to combine 3 (three) lots into 1 (one) at the following locations: 143 Sycamore Drive, 0 Sycamore Drive, and 0 Royal Oak Drive, located in the Timber Ridge Subdivision; specifically parcel numbers 0312M-03-054.000, 0312M-03-055.000 and 0312M-03-006.000. (The current zone is T3R). The applicant is also seeking to combine the above-mentioned lots into 1 (one) lot with Parcel# 0312M-03-054.000 addressed as 143 Sycamore Drive. (The Planning Office has reviewed the request and recommends approval for the lot merger). The Planning Commission has also authorized the lot merge and lot splits to be done administratively with the Planning Office and then with the Board of Aldermen, as requested by Melodie Hayes, City Planner. CA-11
12. Approved -Police: accepting Oath of Office from Officer Deondra Anderson, as requested by Police Chief Freeman. CA-12

13. Approved - Police: request for CSO Dean Toler to attend online Warrant Prep for Animal Law Enforcement course held October 8, 2025. Tuition is \$25.00, as requested by Police Chief Freeman. CA-13
14. Approved - Police: accepting Mississippi Office of Homeland Security Grant FY25 in the amount of \$15,000 for five (5) portable radios with programming. This grant will pay for up to \$3,000 per radio with the City assuming the balance, as requested by Police Chief Freeman. CA-14
15. Approved - Administrative: the minutes of September 2, 2025, Regular Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting, with changes, as requested by Deputy City Clerk, Dawn Sanders. CA-15
16. Approved - Administrative: the minutes of September 3, 2025, Public Hearing for 2025/2026 Budget meeting, with changes, as requested by Deputy City Clerk, Dawn Sanders. CA-16
17. Approved - Administrative: accepting the August 2025 Budget Report, as requested by Marian Governor, City Clerk, CA-17

CLAIMS DOCKET

Upon motion of Alderman Barry Dreyfus and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved the Claims Docket in the amount of \$269,018.89. CD-1

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich 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 Police Department, as requested by Police Chief Freeman.

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

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved going into Executive Session to discuss personnel matter in the Police Department, as requested by Police Chief Freeman.

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Kirk Kimball the Board unanimously approved coming out of Executive Session.

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved to follow the recommendation of the Police Chief to terminate probationary officer Kenda Ferguson effective September 16, 2025.

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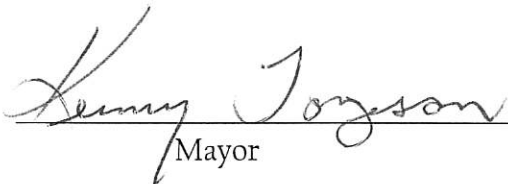
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Upon motion of Alderman Greg Federico and seconded by Alderman Barry Dreyfus the Board unanimously approved to adjourn at 7:02 p.m.

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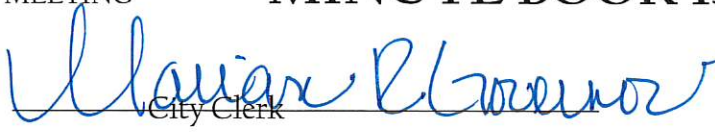
10-7-2025

Date

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTE BOOK 153

September 16, 2025


City Clerk

10-7-2025

Date