

**City of Ocean Springs Board of Aldermen
Special Call Meeting July 29, 2025 - Minutes**

Be it remembered that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ocean Springs met in a Special Call Meeting at City Hall at 5:00 p.m. on July 29, 2025. A public notice stating the place, date, time, and subject matter of the meeting was posted within one hour of the meeting being called, both on the City's website and at City Hall, where it was available for examination and inspection by the general public. Mayor Cox presided, and Aldermen Tillis, Stennis, Wade, Hinton, Pfeiffer, and Messenger were present. Alderman Blackman was absent. Also present were City Attorney David Harris Jr., City Clerk Christine Millard, Police Chief Steven Dye, Human Resources & Risk Management Director Mindy McDowell, Planning Director Amanda Crose, and Interim Community Development Director Wade Morgan.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Alderman Wade, seconded by Alderman Pfeiffer, and unanimously carried to accept the agenda.

The object of the meeting will be any matters pertaining to:

1. Authorize out-of-state travel to Nacogdoches, Texas, for Advanced SWAT School Live Fire Training, scheduled for August 3–8, 2025, for Employee #1814 and Employee #2025

A motion was made by Alderman Stennis, seconded by Alderman Hinton, and unanimously carried to authorize out-of-state travel to Nacogdoches, Texas, for Advanced SWAT School Live Fire Training, scheduled for August 3–8, 2025, for Employee #1814 and Employee #2025.

2. Planning Commissioner Interviews

The Board conducted Planning Commission interviews, meeting with eleven applicants for three open positions. At 6:33 p.m., a motion was made by Alderman Hinton, seconded by Alderman Stennis, and unanimously carried to recess until the next applicant arrived. At 6:42 p.m., a motion was made by Alderman Hinton, seconded by Alderman Pfeiffer, and unanimously carried to reconvene and resume interviews. Following the completion of interviews, the Board voted, and the City Clerk tallied the results.

A motion was made by Alderman Messenger, seconded by Alderman Hinton, and unanimously carried to appoint Clay McArdle as the Ward 6 Planning Commissioner, with a term expiring July 31, 2028.

A motion was made by Alderman Pfeiffer, seconded by Alderman Stennis, and unanimously carried to appoint Michael Smith as the Ward 4 Planning Commissioner, with a term expiring July 31, 2028.

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A motion was made by Alderman Hinton, seconded by Alderman Wade, and unanimously carried to appoint Jennifer Dalgo as the At-Large Planning Commissioner, to complete Alderman Hinton's term, expiring July 31, 2026.

3. Discussion and possible action regarding Ocean Springs Redevelopment Authority


The City Attorney read aloud the Ocean Springs Redevelopment Authority's resignation letter. A motion was made by Alderman Pfeiffer, seconded by Alderman Hinton, and unanimously carried to accept the July 23, 2025, resignation letter from the Ocean Springs Redevelopment Authority and to formally accept the resignations of all commissioners.

A motion was made by Alderman Tillis, seconded by Alderman Stennis, and unanimously carried to adjourn.

The meeting ended at 7:37 p.m.



Mayor



City Clerk





**Mayor & Board of Aldermen
SPECIAL CALL MEETING**

Tuesday, July 29, 2025 @ 5:00 PM

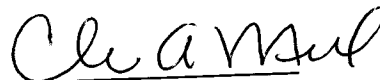
Location: City Hall Boardroom - 1018 Porter Avenue - Ocean Springs, MS 39564

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