

City of Ocean Springs - Board of Aldermen
Special Call Meeting August 13, 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 5:30 p.m. on August 13, 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 public. Mayor Cox presided, and Aldermen Tillis, Stennis, Wade, Hinton, Pfeiffer, and Messenger were present. Alderman Blackman attended the meeting by teleconference pursuant to Section 25-41-5 of the Mississippi Code. Let the minutes reflect that there is a speaker in the meeting room that all those present are able to hear Alderman Blackman. Also present were City Attorney David Harris, Jr., City Clerk/Finance Director Christine Millard, Deputy City Clerk Vicky Hupe, and Human Resources & Risk Management Director Mindy McDowell.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

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

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

1. Executive Session:

Personnel - Administration and Community Relations Coordinator

A motion was made by Alderman Stennis and seconded by Alderman Wade to go into a closed session to determine the necessity of going into an executive session. The motion carried with a roll call vote as follows:

Aye: Alderman Tillis, Alderman Stennis, Alderman Wade, Alderman Pfeiffer,
Alderman Blackman, Alderman Messenger, Alderman Hinton

Nay: None

A motion was made by Alderman Hinton and seconded by Alderman Messenger to remain in executive session to discuss the Administration and Community Relations Coordinator open position. The motion carried with a roll call vote as follows:

Aye: Alderman Tillis, Alderman Stennis, Alderman Wade, Alderman Pfeiffer,
Alderman Blackman, Alderman Messenger, Alderman Hinton

Nay: None

A motion was made by Alderman Stennis and seconded by Alderman Pfeiffer to offer the Administration and Community Relations Coordinator position to Laurri Garcia. The motion carried with a roll call vote as follows:

Aye: Alderman Tillis, Alderman Stennis, Alderman Wade, Alderman Pfeiffer,
Alderman Blackman, Alderman Messenger, Alderman Hinton

Nay: None

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A motion was made by Alderman Hinton and seconded by Alderman Wade to come out of the executive session. The motion carried with a roll call vote as follows:

Aye: Alderman Tillis, Alderman Stennis, Alderman Wade, Alderman Pfeiffer,
Alderman Blackman, Alderman Messenger, Alderman Hinton

Nay: None

A motion was made by Alderman Wade and seconded by Alderman Hinton to adjourn. The motion carried with a roll call vote as follows:

Aye: Alderman Tillis, Alderman Stennis, Alderman Wade, Alderman Pfeiffer,
Alderman Blackman, Alderman Messenger, Alderman Hinton

Nay: None

The meeting ended at 5:37 p.m.



Mayor



City Clerk





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

Wednesday, August 13, 2025 @ 5:30 PM

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

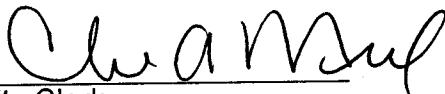
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