



**City of Oxford
Board of Aldermen
Recess Meeting
Monday, August 3, 2026 at 11:00 AM
City Hall Courtroom**

Minutes

1. Opening the Meeting

1.a. Call to Order

The Recess Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Oxford, Mississippi, was called to order by Mayor Tannehill at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, August 3, 2026, in the courtroom of Oxford City Hall, when and where the following were present unless otherwise marked as absent:

Robyn Tannehill, Mayor
Erin Smith, Alderman Ward I
Mark Hulse, Alderman Ward II
Brian Hyneman, Alderman Ward III
Kesha Howell-Atkinson, Alderman Ward IV
Preston Taylor, Alderman Ward V
Jason Bailey, Alderman Ward VI
Mary Martha Crowe, Alderman At-Large

Hollis Green - Chief Operating Officer
Rhonda Burchett - Chief Financial Officer
Kara Giles - Chief of Staff
Braxton Tullos - Human Resources
Leslie McCormick - City Clerk
Allison Garner - Comptroller
Joy Welch - Deputy Clerk

1.b. Adopt the agenda for the meeting

It was moved by Alderman Bailey, seconded by Alderman Crowe, to adopt the agenda for the meeting. With all aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Tannehill declared the motion carried.

2. Regular Agenda: New Business

2.a. Request approval of the accounts for all city departments. (Leslie McCormick)

It was moved by Alderman Howell-Atkinson, seconded by Alderman Crowe, to approve the accounts for all city departments, including a claims docket showing General Fund claims numbered 141884, totaling \$338.10. With all aldermen present

voting aye, Mayor Tannehill declared the motion carried.

- 2.b. Discussion of the City of Oxford's FY 2026–2027 budgets for all departments.

It was moved by Alderman Huelse, seconded by Alderman Hyneman, to advertise for bids for pickleball. With all aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Tannehill declared the motion carried.

3. Regular Agenda: Closing the Meeting

- 3.a. Consider an executive session

It was moved by Alderman Hyneman, seconded by Alderman Crowe, to consider an executive session for matters of potential litigation and personnel. With all aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Tannehill declared the motion carried.

The City Clerk left the room at this time.

It was moved by Alderman Crowe, seconded by Alderman Bailey, to enter an executive session to discuss matters related to potential litigation for property on Varner Loop and personnel issues in all City of Oxford departments. With all aldermen present, voting aye, Mayor Tannehill declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Alderman Huelse, seconded by Alderman Bailey, to acquire appraisals for property on Varner Loop. With all aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Tannehill declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman Crowe, to suspend Kelvin Robinson from the Building and Grounds - Landscape Services Department for five days for violating City policy. With all aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Tannehill declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Alderman Huelse, seconded by Alderman Crowe, to approve a 4-day workweek schedule as proposed by Rob Neely for Oxford Utilities - Electric Division non-office personnel, Oxford Utilities - Water and Sewer Division non-office personnel, and Street Department non-office personnel. With all Aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Tannehill declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Alderman Huelse, seconded by Alderman Bailey, to hire Bart Robinson as Chief Financial Officer at an annual salary of \$208,000.00. With all aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Tannehill declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Alderman Huelse, seconded by Alderman Howell-Atkinson, to approve a 3.56% COLA adjustment for City of Oxford employees in the

FY2026-2027 budget. With all aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Tannehill declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Alderman Bailey, seconded by Alderman Hyneman, to return to regular session. With all aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Tannehill declared the motion carried.

3.b. Adjourn

It was moved by Alderman Crowe, seconded by Alderman Smith, to adjourn the meeting. With all aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Tannehill declared the motion carried.

Robyn Tannehill, Mayor

Leslie McCormick, City Clerk