

CITY OF FLORENCE  
REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND BOARD  
SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

The Governing Authorities of the city of Florence met in their regularly scheduled meeting set for the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in September, September 2, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at city hall located at 203 College Street in Florence, Mississippi.

Initially present were Mayor Gunn, Aldermen Banks, Grantham, Herrin, Martin and Sistrunk.

Mayor Gunn called the Meeting to order and announced a quorum.

Alderman Martin gave the invocation.

Mayor Gunn closed the regular meeting in order to hold a **PUBLIC HEARING TO GIVE THE GENERAL PUBLIC AN OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES AND PROPOSED TAX LEVIES FOR THE CITY OF FLORENCE FOR FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2025 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2026.**

Mayor Gunn asked if there was anyone present desiring to speak for or against the above referenced public hearing.

Being no one present desiring to speak for or against the above referenced public hearing, Mayor Gunn closed the public hearing and returned to regular session.

Upon recommendation of Chief Burns, a Motion was made by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Sistrunk to ratifying Coleman Taylor Transmission estimate # 511678 to repair the transmission on police vehicle Ford Explorer serial #1FM5K8AR3BGA79478 in the amount of \$5,665.44, the lowest and best of two quotes received as follows:

Coleman Taylor Transmission	\$5,665.44
A-1 Gear & Auto	\$5,952.80

The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of Park Director, Mark Hester a Motion was made by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Grantham to approve payment to Rankin County Football League for 2025 Tackle Football referee fees in the amount of \$3,142.00. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of Park Director, Mark Hester a Motion was made by Alderman Herrin, seconded by Alderman Martin to approve payment to Rankin County Football League for 2025 Flag Football referee fees in the amount of \$1,058.75. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Alderman Banks seconded by Alderman Sistrunk to authorize and direct City Engineer Tim Parker to begin the design phase for the Hwy. 49 Sewer project. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Alderman Mason Herrin left the Meeting.

Alderman Mason Herrin was invited to returned to the Meeting, having not participated nor deliberated in no wise for the city.

A Motion was made by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Herrin to rescind a public hearing for consideration of a variance request for Mid-South Meter & Regulator set for September 16, 2025. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of Mayor Gunn, a Motion was made by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Sistrunk to authorize and direct Engineering Service to begin the design phase on Hwy. 49 North Sewer Project. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Alderman Herrin, seconded by Alderman Banks, in an effort to promote economic development, to authorize and direct Mayor Gunn to work with Hometown Magazine to develop a brochure promoting the city of Florence. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Martin to enter into an **AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF FLORENE AND CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT TO UPDATE THE CURRENT HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH DISASTER MITIGATION ACT OF 2000.** The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Banks to adopt a **RESOLUTION MAKING TAX LEVY ON ALL REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY GENERAL FUND: 31.2 MILLS OF EACH DOLLAR (\$1.00) VALUATION. GENERAL FUND TAX LEVY FOR THE CITY OF FLORENCE, FOR 2026 SHALL BE 31.2 MILLS OF WHICH 14.28% WILL BE ALLOCATED FOR DEBT SERVICES.** A copy of the Resolution is attached.

The Motion was carried as follows:

Alderman John Banks voted:	Aye
Alderman Brian Grantham voted:	Aye
Alderman Mason Herrin voted:	Aye
Alderman Kyle Martin voted:	Aye
Alderman Brent Sistrunk voted:	Aye

A Motion was made by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Martin to approve the claims docket. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Alderman Herrin, seconded by Alderman Sistrunk to approve the Minutes of August 19, 2025. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Being no further business, Mayor Gunn adjourned the Meeting at 7:05 p.m.

  
MAYOR, TREY GUNN

9-17-2025

ATTEST:

  
CITY CLERK, LINDA WIGLEY





A G E N D A  
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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

INVOCATION:

PUBLIC HEARING: A PUBLIC HEARING TO GIVE THE GENERAL PUBLIC AN OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES AND PROPOSED TAX LEVIES FOR THE CITY OF FLORENCE FOR FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2025 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2026.

REPORTS:

1. POLICE DEPARTMENT
2. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
3. STREET DEPARTMENT
4. PARK DEPARTMENT
5. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
6. MAYOR ASSISTANT/POLICE DEPARTMENT
7. CITY CLERK
8. CITY ENGINEER
9. CITY ATTORNEY

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Authorize Engineering Service to begin design phase on Hwy. 49 Sewer Project.....Mayor Gunn
2. Authorize CMPDD to update Hazard Mitigation Plan.....Mayor Gunn
3. Authorize Hometown Magazine Florence design.....Mayor Gunn

CORRESPONDENCE:

ORDINANCES:

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Adopt Resolution setting FYE 09/30/2026 Tax Levies .....Mayor Gunn

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS DOCKET:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 19, 2025:

A copy of this board meeting agenda was posted on the bulletin board at city hall and police department Wednesday August 27, 2025.

NOTICE  
CITY OF FLORENCE  
WORK SESSION

WHEN: TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

TIME: 5:30 P.M.

WHERE: CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM  
203 COLLEGE STREET  
FLORENCE, MS

PURPOSE: GENERAL WORK SESSION

1. Hometown Rankin project.....Tahya Dobbs
2. Eagle Scout project.....Tyler Gammill
3. T-Mobile Tower.....Mayor Gunn
4. Hazard Mitigation Plan update.....Mayor Gunn
5. Street cleaning proposal.....Mayor Gunn
6. Ratify Police Department vehicle repair.....Mayor Gunn/Chief Burns
7. Authorize Engineering Service to begin design phase Hwy. 49  
Sewer Project.....Mayor Gunn
8. Redesign Domino's Pizza Building.....Joel Sims
9. Water well presentation (car wash site).....Joel Sims/Tim Parker
10. Tellus Storage expansion..... Joel Sims
11. 2025 Football Flag & Tackle referee expense.....Mark Hester

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